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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
Rolling Hills Community Services Region
AND
Woodbury County, Iowa

INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE

The Rolling Hills Community Services Region (hereinafter referred to as the Rolling Hills Region) seeks to establish certain agreements with the Woodbury County Board of Supervisors prior to their entrance into the Rolling Hills Region on July 1, 2019.

RESPONSIBILITIES AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE PARTIES

It is the desire of the aforementioned Parties to this MOU Agreement that this document shall promote a genuine atmosphere of understanding and collaboration in support of developing an effective and efficient partnership which is meant to safeguard optimal operational, financial and administrative commitment with regards to all matters related to the following:

1. The Rolling Hills Region Governance Board and Chief Executive Officer will evaluate and determine personnel needs in Woodbury County prior to April 1, 2019. Woodbury County agrees to provide detailed personnel information and cooperate with the process of identifying current staffing needs and responsibilities.
2. Woodbury County Core Services and Non-Core Services will only be funded if they are allowable services within the Rolling Hills Region Management Plan as approved by the Iowa Department of Human Services on August 8, 2016.
3. Any discretionary services that are provided in Woodbury County would need to apply for funding by October 31, 2018 for budgeting purposes. The Rolling Hills Region Governance Board will be responsible for funding authorizations of such services.
4. Woodbury County agrees to operate as a Region and under the terms and conditions of the Rolling Hills Region Management Plan.
5. All county and regional mental health funds are managed by the CEO and Governance Board.
6. The Rolling Hills 28E Agreement will be enforced with amendment only to add Woodbury County to the Agreement effective July 1, 2019.
7. Woodbury County agrees to cover all Woodbury County expenditures in Fiscal Year 19/20 through a higher Per Capita contribution than the rest of the member Counties if necessary to meet their financial obligations.
8. Woodbury County will contribute \$1 million to the Rolling Hills reserve level in July 2019 to achieve financial parity on a Per Capita basis at the end of Fiscal Year 19/20 with reconciliation of this contribution to occur by October 1, 2020.

9. In addition to the contribution in Item 7, Woodbury County will contribute their first quarter payment (25%) to the Regional Fiscal Agent in July 2019.
10. Woodbury County will indemnify the Rolling Hills Community Services Region for all legal costs of litigation from Woodbury County or Sioux Rivers Region commencing prior to July 1, 2019.
11. Woodbury County agrees to participate in Regional Planning activities and Governance Board meetings to the fullest extent possible from the date of execution of this agreement.

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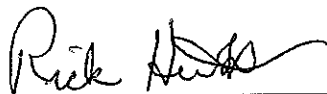
The arrangements made in this MOU shall become effective upon signature by both parties to the agreement and shall remain in place indefinitely with the exception of the aforementioned responsibilities that are subject to a specific time frame.

TIMELINE

Upon the last Rolling Hills Region Member County's passage of a Resolution to accept Woodbury County into the Rolling Hills Region, the Woodbury County Board of Supervisors will have 30 days to address and respond to this Memorandum of Understanding by agreement and signature to this document or by request of an amendment to the Rolling Hills Region Governance Board Chairman.

AUTHORIZATION AND EXECUTION

The signing of this Memorandum of Understanding intends that the signatories shall strive to reach, to the best of their abilities, the responsibilities and obligations stated in this MOU.



Rick Hecht
Governance Board Chairman
Rolling Hills Community Services Region



Rocky DeWitt
Chairman
Woodbury County Board of Supervisors

RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNANCE BOARD
OF THE ROLLING HILLS COMMUNITY SERVICES REGION
RESOLUTION # 412018

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF WOODBURY COUNTY'S REQUEST TO JOIN
THE ROLLING HILLS COMMUNITY SERVICES REGION EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2019

Any provisions not covered in this resolution will be addressed in the attachment
"Explanations for the Recommendation"

WHEREAS, the Rolling Hills Community Services Governance Board has received a written request from Woodbury County to withdraw from the Sioux Rivers Region and enter into partnership with the Rolling Hills Community Services Region; and

WHEREAS, Woodbury County is willing to join the Rolling Hills Community Services Region by entering into a 28E Agreement; and

WHEREAS, Woodbury County accepts the terms and conditions of the 28E Agreement established by the Rolling Hills Community Services Region; and

WHEREAS, Woodbury County accepts the Regional Plans as approved by the Governance Board and the Iowa Department of Human Services; and

WHEREAS, Woodbury County agrees to provide a financial contribution to the Rolling Hills Community Services Region based on the terms of the 28E Agreement or other means if accepted into the Region prior to July 1, 2019; and

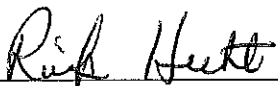
WHEREAS, Woodbury County agrees to provide quarterly payments of the Per Capita Contribution upon entrance into the Region; and

WHEREAS, the Rolling Hills Community Services Governance Board has passed a motion to allow Woodbury County to enter the Region effective July 1, 2019 should the majority of the member Counties approve a Resolution of the same;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that:

1. Each member County of the Rolling Hills Community Services Region has 30 days from the date of receipt of this Resolution to return a certified copy of a County Resolution stating the County's vote.
2. Any member County not voting on the Resolution within this time frame shall be considered to have disapproved the proposal.

SO DATED this 11th day of April, 2018.



Rick Hecht, Chairman
Rolling Hills Community Services Region

Explanations for the Recommendation

1. Adding Woodbury County doubles the size and population of Rolling Hills Region as a whole.
2. Considering the geographic nature of bringing Woodbury County into the Rolling Hills Region with a population of 102,779 per the 2016 census estimates, this results in a significant impact on our population rather than bringing in multiple Counties to achieve a similar population. Rolling Hills Region population will increase from 95,924 to 198,773.
3. Adding Woodbury County to our Region could assist us with achieving impending legislative mandates due to HF2456 that has passed both the House and Senate. HF2456 moves all of the intensive crisis services into the core service realm including Access Centers and Assertive Community Treatment Teams among others.
4. Rolling Hills has received prior requests to join our Region and these have proven to be successful since any new county must adhere to our established Regional plans, 28E and Policies and Procedures.
5. Woodbury County has complied with all requests made by the Governance Board, specifically the stipulations in the initial letter that was sent on October 4, 2017 as follows;
 - The Woodbury County Board of Supervisors must vote to enter into discussion with the Rolling Hills Community Services Region
 - The Rolling Hills Region 28E Agreement will be enforced
 - The majority of our member counties would have to approve any change of membership
 - One county/one vote per our 28E Agreement
 - The Rolling Hills Governance Board and Administration will determine staffing needs, personnel and salaries
 - The current financials and services of Woodbury County will be provided to the Rolling Hills Community Service Region prior to discussions
 - The basic philosophy of the Rolling Hills Community Services Region Governance Board is the we firmly believe in the prioritization of regional services and long-term sustainability and that the services which we invest in need to be made available throughout the Region whenever possible

Woodbury County has also complied with the agreed upon financial position that we believe that they will need to contribute to meet parity in order to enter Rolling Hills.