

Resolution No. 43 - 12/16
**Urging the State of Wisconsin to Support Funding for Communicable Disease
Control for Population Health**

1 Moved/Sponsored by: Health & Human Services Board

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3 **WHEREAS**, Wisconsin has no dedicated, stable federal and state funding sources for
4 communicable disease control and prevention efforts; and,

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6 **WHEREAS**, a strong public health infrastructure is paramount to the health of all citizens; and,

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8 **WHEREAS**, emerging and existing communicable diseases threaten health security, economies,
9 and quality of life for all; and,

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11 **WHEREAS**, communicable diseases such as ebola, H1N1, HIV and AIDS, tuberculosis,
12 influenza, measles, syphilis, gonorrhea, rabies, hepatitis, polio, and pertussis, can threaten the
13 lives and well-being of Wisconsin residents; and,

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15 **WHEREAS**, emerging and re-emerging threats such as ebola, H1N1, SARS, and measles
16 threaten personal and community safety and require substantial resources to contain; and,

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18 **WHEREAS**, bloodborne pathogens that cause long-term disease such as Hepatitis C are
19 occurring at unprecedented rates – rates that are accelerating as a result of the opiate epidemic;
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22 **WHEREAS**, Wisconsin local health department communicable disease programs protect
23 residents by investigating and controlling communicable diseases, collecting data, educating the
24 community about prevention and the importance of immunizations, and caring for those affected
25 by these diseases; and,

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27 **WHEREAS**, public health departments have been successful in controlling communicable
28 diseases through case reporting and involvement of public health staff in referral of exposed
29 persons for screening and prevention services; and,

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31 **WHEREAS**, evidence in the scientific literature indicates that partner notification services are
32 not adequately assured in the absence of specific public health staff involvement; and,

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34 **WHEREAS**, local health departments and the State of Wisconsin have demonstrated
35 commitment, competence and success in assuring the confidentiality of persons with reported
36 communicable disease for decades, including cases of AIDS; and,

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38 **WHEREAS**, local health departments have placed a high priority on communicable disease
39 control; and,


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41 **WHEREAS**, communicable disease control is one of the ten essential functions of public health.

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1 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Walworth County Board of Supervisors
2 urges the state legislature to develop and enact bipartisan support for funding of comprehensive,
3 sustainable, effective and evidence based communicable disease control and prevention for the
4 public's health.

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6 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the County Clerk transmit a copy of this resolution to
7 Governor Walker, Wisconsin Counties Association, and all state representatives and senators
8 who represent Walworth County.

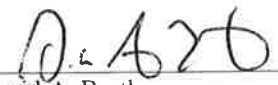
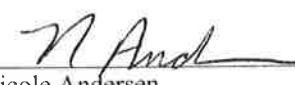
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12 Nancy Russell
13 County Board Chair



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16 County Board Meeting Date: December 6, 2016

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18 Action Required: Majority Vote X Two-thirds Vote _____ Other _____

Policy and Fiscal Note is attached.
Reviewed and approved pursuant to Section 2-91 of the Walworth County Code of Ordinances:

 _____	<u> 11/22/16 </u> Date	 _____	<u> 11/22/16 </u> Date
David A. Bretl County Administrator/Corporation Counsel		Nicole Andersen Deputy County Administrator - Finance	

If unsigned, exceptions shall be so noted by the County Administrator.

This Resolution Ordinance was
Adopted: Roll Call/U.C. Vote
Rejected/Referred/Laid Over
Ayes: Noes: Absent:
Date December, 2016

Policy and Fiscal Note
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- I. Title:** Urging the State of Wisconsin to Support Funding for Communicable Disease Control for Population Health
- II. Purpose and Policy Impact Statement:** The purpose of the resolution is to encourage legislators to develop and enact bipartisan support for funding of comprehensive, sustainable, effective and evidence based communicable disease control and prevention for the public's health.
- III. Budget and Fiscal Impact:** Passage of this resolution will not have any fiscal impact on the county budget.
- IV. Referred to the following standing committees for consideration and date of referral:**

Committee: Health & Human Services Board Meeting Date: November 16, 2016

Vote: 6-0

County Board Meeting Date: December 6, 2016

Policy and fiscal note has been reviewed and approved as an accurate statement of the probable policy and fiscal impacts associated with passage of the attached resolution.

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