

**TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BERRIEN COUNTY:** Your County Personnel and Human Services Committee respectfully recommends the adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS,** the MDHHS' Division of Maternal & Infant Health is applying for a federal Title X Telehealth Grant, to run May 1, 2022 to April 31, 2023 and has invited community organizations across MDHHS's provider network to partner in their application for funding; and

**WHEREAS,** the Berrien County Health Department (BCHD) has a need to enhance and expand clinic services to include a telehealth option which will assist in reaching the underserved within our county on a completely new level, particularly those that have limited or no means of transportation; and

**WHEREAS,** telehealth options also provides efficient access to clients needing to provide patient history or general information essential in the scheduling of in person appointments; and

**WHEREAS,** as approved by the Personnel & Human Services Committee, the BCHD submitted a letter of commitment to apply for up to \$95,000 (estimated grant award) which will support operational capacity, staff time, Telehealth Portal Access and Video hours via our current Patagonia Electronic Medical Record provider, local travel and educational materials for support of outreach activities, and necessary phones/communication equipment and upgrades; and

**WHEREAS,** no local match is required; and



**WHEREAS,** the Board of Health endorses this grant application.


**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Berrien County Board of Commissioners approves the submission of a grant application to the MDHHS for the purposes of improving and adding Telehealth functions to the clinic services provided by the Health Department.

Resolution endorsed by the  
BERRIEN COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH

  
Margaret A. Kohring, Chair

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,**  
**BERRIEN COUNTY PERSONNEL AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE**

  
Robert P. Harrison, Chairperson  
  
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Michael J. Majerek, Vice Chairperson

RESOLUTION APPROVED AS TO FORM	
Adopted/Amended	Date 2-8-22
Committee Assigned	
Corporate Counsel	TN Date 2/9/22
Complaints Attached	