



HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE

Tuesday, October 14, 2025, Time: 10:00 AM
Committee Room 213, 2nd floor, 74 Ontario Street,
Canandaigua, NY 14424

Committee Members

Dan Marshall, Chair
James Kennedy
Frederick Stresing
William Wellman
Frederick Wille
Nancy Yacci

1. Call To Order:

The Health and Human Services Committee meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM on October 14, 2025 by Chair Dan Marshall.

Members Present: Supervisor(s) Daniel Marshall, James Kennedy, Frederick Stresing, Frederick Wille, Nancy Yacci. Absent: . Necessarily Absent: Supervisor(s) William Wellman. A quorum was present.

Others present in addition to committee members:

Chairman Jared Simpson
Chris DeBolt, County Administrator
Barry McFadden, First Assistant County Attorney
Mary Gates, Dir., Finance, via WebEx
Sharon Decker, Grants Coordinator, via WebEx
Missy White, Fiscal Managaer, via WebEx
Rochelle Gray, Sr. Fiscal Mngr, via WebEx
Phil Personale, Commissioner, DSS
Marsha Foote, Dir., Youth Bureau

Susan Smith, Dir., Veterans Services Agency
Triciajean Jones, Dir. Office for the Aging
Beth Relyea, Coordinator or Aging Services
Kate Ott, Dir. Public Health
Gwen Van Laeken, Exec. Dir., Ontario Cares (The Partnership for Ontario County)
Tina Rossman, Dir. of Youth Programs, Ontario Cares
Diane Foster, Deputy Clerk to the Board

2. Approval Of Minutes:

Supervisor James Kennedy motioned to approve the minutes of the September 22, 2025 Health And Human Services Committee meeting. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Frederick Stresing. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): Daniel Marshall, James Kennedy, Frederick Stresing, Frederick Wille, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

3. The Partnership For Ontario County:

Gwen Van Laeken announced that their Veteran's Coalition is partnering with the VA to do Trunk or Treat on October 25th from 1:00-3:00 at the Canandaigua VA Medical Center. She provided fliers to pass around.

Ms. Van Laeken said their Substance Misuse Prevention Coalition is partnering with Public Health and the Sheriff's Office. Once a year, they have medication take back day, which will be coming on October 25th in the Village of Victor at the Town Hall parking lot. It is 10:00 am - 1:00 pm. She said they typically take in 600-800 pounds of medication on any given Saturday that they hold these events. The Sheriff's Office takes possession of the medications and then takes them to a site to incinerate them. She provided fliers for this event to take back to the Town Halls.

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Tina Rossman provided an update on the Epic Zone Drop in Center. She said they have two locations, one in Bloomfield, and one in Geneva. The Geneva Epic Zone, which has been in operation since 2016, is going through a relocation from the Worthington Ave location to 81 North Street in December. It is closer to the school, and they are hoping to engage more kids.

Gwen Van Laeken said it is walking distance between the Geneva Middle and High Schools and North Steet schools and Courtyard Apartments. They were able to purchase this property, as opposed to leasing its property.

Tina Rossman said the age group they serve is 12–17 year olds. They are open from 3-7 pm. They provide snack after shool and dinner every night during the weekday.

Ms. Van Laeken said they will be holding an open house at the new Geneva location on December 2nd.

4. Department Of Social Services:

Phillip Personale presented a resolution entitled, "Authorization to enter into Contracts in 2026 for the Department of Social Services".

Supervisor James Kennedy motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Frederick Wille. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): Daniel Marshall, James Kennedy, Frederick Stresing, Frederick Wille, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Phil Personale gave the following updates:

~ They received guidance late last week about able-bodied adults without dependents. The eligibility has been expanded by a decade for people 18–64. They have lost some exclusions for veterans, the homeless, kids who are aging out of foster care, and now in your household, if the youngest is now 14, they will now be put into that pool to work, as opposed to age 18.

~ Gone are the exclusions that each county used to have, which allowed for a little more charge of their cases. Those exclusions go to Saratoga County because they are the only ones who have been doing this able-bodied adult without dependence for a long time.

~ They are still waiting for guidance on signage, notices, training, and the job search program. They recognize that they have to develop work experience for people.

~ They do not have enough to meet the needs that are going to be coming, so the Workforce Development team and Temporary Assistance team have been meeting and brainstorming. It is one of their biggest hurdles they see.

~ They estimate that at least 1,500 people are affected. Right now, the SNAP cases are at about 5,000 or so.

~ They are currently designating specified staff, once they receive the new codes, to start changing codes. They will have to "hand-touch" each of those cases to change the coding within their system.

~ The DSS building closed on Friday afternoon to start moving things in and is currently closed to complete the move from the old side to the new side.

~ The Medicaid team has been receiving calls, but been manageable.

5. Board Of Supervisors:

Supervisor James Kennedy presented a resolution entitled, "Recognizing Red Ribbon Week® and Medication Take Back Day".

Supervisor Nancy Yacci motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Frederick Stresing. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): Daniel Marshall, James Kennedy, Frederick Stresing, Frederick Wille, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

6. Public Health:

Kate Ott presented a resolution entitled, "Authorization To Accept Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program Grant 2025-2026".

Supervisor Frederick Stresing motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Frederick Wille. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): Daniel Marshall, James Kennedy, Frederick Stresing, Frederick Wille, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Kate Ott presented a resolution entitled, "Authority to Establish Charges for Flu Shots for Public Health from September 1, 2025–August 31, 2026".

It was explained that setting the price for the flu vaccine is related to the contract with Excellus. To allow Excellus to pay for the flu shots for county employees, they have to set a price and that would be the price that uninsured people would pay. They are not saying they are going out charging uninsured people, they are not vaccinating uninsured people in this scenario. They are vaccinating County employees and charging their insurance. The price cannot be different because insurance laws and procedures cannot be different for somebody who is insured. Adults have the Vaccine for Adults program, which covers uninsured adults. The residents do not receive a bill.

Supervisor James Kennedy motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Nancy Yacci. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): Daniel Marshall, James Kennedy, Frederick Stresing, Frederick Wille, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Kate Ott provided the Performance Management and Quality Improvement (PMQI) Report for the 2nd Quarter 2025 for approval. She noted, since submitting the report with 138 cases of lime disease, there are now over 300 cases.

Supervisor Frederick Stresing motioned to approve the PMQI report for the 2nd quarter of 2025, as provided. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Frederick Wille. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): Daniel Marshall, James Kennedy, Frederick Stresing, Frederick Wille, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Kate Ott provided the lead updates in the policy manual.

Supervisor Nancy Yacci motioned to approve the updates in the policy manual. The motion was seconded by Supervisor James Kennedy. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): Daniel Marshall, James Kennedy, Frederick Stresing, Frederick Wille, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Kate Ott provided the results of the survey they did on Access to Care: Gaps and Opportunities.

Kate Ott provided a brief portion of the Public Health Emergency Preparedness Plan in preparation for a presentation next cycle.

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Kate Ott said they were on Evan Dawson with WXXI to talk about lime disease and other tick borne preventions.

7. Office For The Aging:

Triciajean Saxton introduced Beth Relyea as their new Coordinator of Services. She will be working on a lot of different areas in the office.

Triciajean Saxton presented a resolution entitled, "Authorization to Submit Annual Plan and Funding Application from April 1, 2024 - March 31, 2025 for the Office for the Aging".

Supervisor Nancy Yacci motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor James Kennedy. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): Daniel Marshall, James Kennedy, Frederick Stresing, Frederick Wille, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Triciajean Saxton presented a resolution entitled, "Authorization for a Memorandum of Understanding between The Office for the Aging and Lifespan of Greater Rochester Inc".

Supervisor Nancy Yacci motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor James Kennedy. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): Daniel Marshall, James Kennedy, Frederick Stresing, Frederick Wille, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Triciajean Saxton presented a resolution entitled, "Authorization to Transition ICircle Service of the Finger Lakes and VNS Health MLTC to Provide Meals for Older Adults".

Supervisor James Kennedy motioned to approve the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Supervisor Frederick Stresing. The motion passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): Daniel Marshall, James Kennedy, Frederick Stresing, Frederick Wille, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): None. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

Triciajean Saxton gave the following updates:

~ They have a dedicated Medicare Health Insurance Information Counseling Assistance Program (HIICAP), which they have been receiving 40 to 60 calls a day. There will be about 10,000 Ontario County residents who've lost their Medicare plan because the plans are no longer carrying them.

Those residents have to be enrolled in a new plan by the end of December, but they have until the end of March to change their plan.

~ The unmet needs funding survey through Blooming Health revealed high demand for housekeeping and maintenance, snow removal and lawn care, and home modifications like toilet seats, grab bars, ramps, and then transportation among older adults. The comments had IT, phone, and access to the internet, and transportation.

8. Youth Bureau:

Marsha Foote presented the following eight resolutions entitled:

~ Authorization to Contract with Family Counseling Services of the Finger Lakes for ACES-Counseling and Trauma Program for Youth Development for 2025-2026

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- ~ Authorization to Contract with Safe Harbors of the Finger Lakes for the Youth Harm Reduction Program for Youth Development for 2025-2026
- ~ Authorization to Contract with Family Counseling Services of the Fingers Lakes for the Youth Development Community Program for Youth Sports and Education for 2025-2026
- ~ Authorization to Contract with the Town of Richmond for their Recreation Program for Youth Sports and Education for 2025-2026
- ~ Authorization to Contract with The Partnership for Ontario County for their EPIC Zone for Youth Sports and Education for 2025-2026
- ~ Authorization to Contract with Bloomfield Youth Baseball and Softball for Youth Team Sports for 2025-2026
- ~ Authorization to Contract with Canandaigua Junior Baseball and Softball for Youth Team Sports for 2025-2026
- ~ Authorization to Contract with the Boys and Girls Club of Geneva for their Basketball Program for Youth Team Sports for 2025-2026

Supervisor Frederick Stresing motioned to approve these eight resolutions, as presented, as a block. Supervisor Frederick Wille seconded the motion. The motion Passed.

Yes: Supervisor(s): Daniel Marshall, James Kennedy, Frederick Stresing, Frederick Wille, Nancy Yacci. No: Supervisor(s): 0. Abstain: Supervisor(s): None.

9. Unfinished Business:

There was no unfinished business.

10. Next Meeting Date And Time:

Monday, November 3, 2025, at 10:00 am, in Committee Room 213, 74 Ontario St., Canandaigua, NY

11. Adjournment:

On a motion of Supervisor Nancy Yacci, seconded by Supervisor James Kennedy, the Health and Human Services Committee meeting was adjourned at 10:43 AM.

Respectfully Submitted, Diane R. Foster, Deputy Clerk to the Board