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10.01 CREATION OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT. In accordance with sec. 46.23, Stats., there is hereby created and established a Sheboygan County Health and Human Services Department, which Department shall consist of the County Health and Human Services Board, the County Health and Human Services Director and any necessary personnel authorized by the County's Table of Organization of County Departments and Health Care Centers (Chapter 40 of the County Code of Ordinances).

10.02 PURPOSE. The purpose of the Department is to develop a comprehensive range of human services which shall include health care, public health services, mental illness treatment, developmental disabilities services, general relief, income maintenance, probation and parole services, alcohol and drug abuse services, services to children, youth and aging, family counseling, exceptional educational services and manpower services. Its programs responsibilities shall include providing community services and facilities for the prevention and amelioration of social, mental, and physical disabilities.

It is intended that this Department shall exercise the powers and duties of a County Department of Developmental Disabilities under Wis. Stat. § 51.437, a County Department of Social Services under Wis. Stat. § 46.22, a County Department of Community Programs under Wis. Stat. § 51.42, a Board of Health under Wis. Stat. § 250.01(4)(a), and a Child Support Enforcement Agency under Wis. Stat. § 59.53(5).

10.03 HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE. The Health and Human Services Department shall be administered by a Health and Human Services Committee composed of nine (9) persons of recognized ability and demonstrated interest or competence in the field of public health and/or community health. Six (6) members shall be County Board of Supervisors and three (3) members shall be consumers of services or citizens at large. A good faith effort shall be made to appoint a registered nurse and a physician to the Committee. Member Appointments shall reflect the diversity of the community to the extent possible. County Board members shall be appointed by the Executive Committee and confirmed by the County Board of Supervisors. Citizen members shall be approved by the County Administrator and confirmed by the County Board of Supervisors.

10.04 TERM OF OFFICE. The term of office of any citizen member of the Committee shall be three (3) years but of the members first appointed, at least 1/3 shall be appointed for one (1) year; 1/3 for two (2) years and the remainder for three (3) years, all with an April term ending date to coincide with the County Board's Organizational meetings; the staggered terms to be indicated at the time of appointment. County Board Supervisors' terms, however, shall terminate the end of the County Board legislative session.

10.05 VACANCIES. Vacancies shall be filled for the residue of the unexpired term in the manner that original appointments are made.

10.06 REMOVAL. A County Supervisor Health and Human Services Committee member may be removed from office for cause by a 2/3 vote of the County Board of Supervisors participating in the appointment, on due notice in writing and hearing of the charges against the member. A citizen member may be removed by the County Administrator for cause.

10.07 DUTIES. The County Health and Human Services Committee shall exercise the powers and duties as provided at Wis. Stat. § 46.23(5m).

10.08 HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DIRECTOR. The County Health and Human Services Director appointed under Wis. Stat. § 46.23(6m) by the County Administrator shall have the powers and duties as set forth under Wis. Stat. § 46.23(6m). In addition thereto, the County Health and Human Services Director shall supervise the Child Support Enforcement Agency programs required under Wis. Stat. § 59.53(5).

10.09 Oversight Committee to advise Sheboygan County in Administering and Evaluating the Treatment Alternatives Diversion Program/Grant (TAD)

(1) The Oversight Committee shall consist of 10 members, including:

- (a) A Circuit Court Judge.
- (b) The District Attorney or his or her Designee.
- (c) The State Public Defender or his or her Designee.
- (d) A local Law Enforcement Official.
- (e) A Representative of the County.
- (f) Representative of the Sheboygan County Health and Human Services Department.
- (g) A Representative of the State of Wisconsin Department of Corrections.
- (h) A Representative from a Private Social Services Agency.
- (i) Two (2) Representatives of a Substance Abuse Treatment Provider.

Members of the Oversight Committee shall be appointed by the County Administrator and serve on the Committee until such time as they no longer occupy the position for which they were appointed.

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