



Resolution
Board of Supervisors
County of Columbia
New York

RESOLUTION NO.: 385-2011

DATE: December 14, 2011

BY SUPERVISOR _____
HEALTH/MEDICAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
CHAIRMAN: LAWRENCE ANDREWS

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES TO OPEN
A SATELLITE OFFICE FOR THE COLUMBIA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF
HUMAN SERVICES/ MENTAL HEALTH CENTER AT THE TACONIC HILLS
SCHOOL**

UPON, recommendation of the Health/Medical Services Committee at a meeting held on the 15th day of November 2011, the Budget and Salary Review Committee at a meeting held on the 30th day of November 2011, and the Finance Committee at a meeting held on the 6th day of December 2011;

WHEREAS, the Columbia County Department of Human Services (CCDHS) Mental Health Clinic (MHC) currently offers services at only two locations: 325 Columbia Street, Hudson and the John L. Edwards Primary School; and

WHEREAS, the CCDHS strives to enhance access to services and it is a burden for a significant number of residents of Columbia County with mental health assessment and treatment service needs to travel to Hudson ; and

WHEREAS, the establishment of a satellite office of the MHC at Taconic Hills School will enhance children’s access to services; and

WHEREAS, the Taconic Hills School District has offered space free of charge to the MHC to establish this satellite; and

WHEREAS, the CCDHS has submitted a proposal to the NYS Office of Mental Health (OMH) to establish a satellite clinic offering services one day/week at this site and they have approved this proposal;

WHEREAS, the CCDHS will not add staffing to operate the satellite; and

WHEREAS, the CCDHS anticipates the ability to receive reimbursement for services provided at this site to cover all costs utilizing existing MHC clinical staff;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED that the Director of Community Services is authorized to open a satellite of the CCDHS MHC at the Taconic Hills School effective immediately; and be it further

RESOLVED, that any contract between Columbia County MHC and Taconic Hills School is subject to the approval of the County Attorney’s Office; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Columbia County Human Resources Department, the Payroll/ Accounts Payable Department, Department of Human Services/ Mental Health Center, the Columbia County Attorney, and the Columbia County Treasurer.

Approved:

County Attorney

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