

AMENDED

Resolution No. 06-04/20

Urging the State Legislature and Governor to Authorize County-Employed Human Services Professionals to Administer Naloxone in Response to a Suspected Opioid Overdose

1 Moved/Sponsored by: Health and Human Services Board

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3 **WHEREAS**, Walworth County has been identified as an area of concern for high rates of opioid
4 overdose by the Wisconsin Department of Health Services; and,

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6 **WHEREAS**, opioids are a class of drugs, which act directly on the nervous system which can
7 depress the central nervous system and respiratory system which can result in death; and,

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9 **WHEREAS**, naloxone is an opioid antagonist which counteracts the life-threatening depression
10 of the central nervous system and respiratory system and has been proven to save lives; and,

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12 **WHEREAS**, Wisconsin 456.40 allows emergency medical service providers, fire fighters, and
13 law enforcement to administer opioid antagonists; and,

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15 **WHEREAS**, Wisconsin 46.23 defines county human services as “the total range of services to
16 people including, but not limited to, health care, mental illness treatment, developmental
17 disabilities services, income maintenance, probation, extended supervision and parole services,
18 alcohol and drug abuse services, services to children, youth and aging, family counseling, special
19 education services, and manpower services”; and,

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21 **WHEREAS**, Human services professionals have frequent contact with individuals with a high
22 likelihood of opioid exposure and overdose; and,

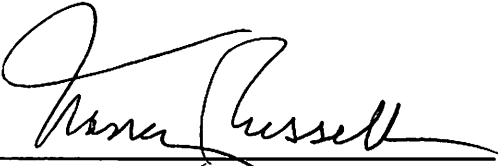
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24 **WHEREAS**, fentanyl is a highly potent and increases the likelihood of a an overdose; and,

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26 **WHEREAS**, Walworth County has seen an increase in the presence of fentanyl in overdoses;
27 and,

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29 **WHEREAS**, the Walworth County Health and Human Services Board supports the State
30 Legislature and Governor amending section 46.23 of the Wisconsin State Statutes to include
31 specific authorization for county-employed human services professionals to administer naloxone
32 in response to a suspected opioid overdose.

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34 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Walworth County Board of Supervisors
35 urges the State Legislature and Governor to amend section 46.23 of the Wisconsin State Statutes
36 to include specific authorization for county-employed human services professionals to administer
37 naloxone in response to a suspected opioid overdose.

1 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Walworth County Clerk is hereby directed to send a
2 copy of this resolution to the Governor of Wisconsin, State legislators representing Walworth
3 County, and the Wisconsin Counties Association.
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10 Nancy Russell
11 County Board Chair






Kimberly S. Bushey
County Clerk

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13 County Board Meeting Date: April 23, 2020

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15 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:

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| DocuSigned by:  _____ Michael P. Cotter Date Corporation Counsel | DocuSigned by:  _____ Jessica Conley Date Finance Director |
| DocuSigned by:  _____ Mark W. Lubberda Date County Administrator | |

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

This Resolution/Ordinance was:
Adopted: Roll Call/U.C./Voice
Rejected/Referred/Laid Over
Ayes: Noes: Absent:
Date April 23, 2020

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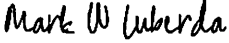
- I. **Title:** Urging the State Legislature and Governor to Authorize County-Employed Human Services Professionals to Administer Naloxone in Response to a Suspected Opioid Overdose
- II. **Purpose and Policy Impact Statement:** The purpose of this resolution is to urge the State Legislature and Governor to amend Section 46.23 of the Wisconsin Statutes to explicitly authorize county human services workers to administer naloxone.
- III. **Budget and Fiscal Impact:** Passage of this resolution will have no fiscal impact on the 2020 Budget.
- IV. **Referred to the following standing committee(s) for consideration and date of referral:**

Committee: Health and Human Services Date: March 18, 2020

Vote: 6-0

County Board Meeting Date: April 23, 2020

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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