



Oneida County

December 8, 2023

Dear Human Service Center Provider:

The intent of this letter is to provide you with information regarding the restructuring of Human Services being planned by Forest, Oneida and Vilas Counties (the Counties). Counties are statutorily responsible for a comprehensive range of human services, including the services provided by the Human Service Center. The Counties, through resolution, designated the Human Service Center Board as the Department of Community Programs board under Wisconsin Statute Chapters 51.42 and 51.437. The Counties recently determined that they want to evaluate structures for providing human services and determine the most effective, efficient and accountable system that will benefit all residents of Forest, Oneida and Vilas County.

The goals of the reorganization are:

- Improved coordination of services to residents.
- Provide for comprehensive and uniform service planning through all human service program areas.
- Meet the unique needs of each County and Tribe.
- Increase accountability to stakeholders and the public.
- Reduce barriers to service delivery.
- Provide for best practice and evidence-based services whenever possible.

We recognize and appreciate the work and services you provide to The Human Service Center. Regardless of the structure chosen by the Counties, most, if not all, services provided by The Human Service Center will continue after December 31, 2024. Many of the services are statutorily required. The intent of the restructuring is not to reduce services to our residents, in fact, we are hoping to increase services. Contracted services will continue to be needed in 2025 and after to continue to provide the array of services needed in our communities. We anticipate that we will be able to communicate with you regarding contracting for 2025 no later than September 1, 2024.

The Counties recognize the value of services you are delivering to our residents, and fully expect that these services will continue and in many cases will be expanded.

The three Counties have contracted with a consultant to manage the Feasibility Study process. Patrick Cork, LCSW, is the chosen consultant. We will be seeking your input on structure and the most effective manner for the Counties to deliver services. Monthly updates will be provided at all County and Human Service Center monthly Board meetings. We will also post information on the Counties websites and Facebook pages, in addition to providing information to management to share with you.

We want to thank you for serving the residents of our counties, and look forward to the opportunity to improve and expand services in the Tri-County area.

Sincerely,

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