

LOCAL LAW NO. 10-1973
CHAUTAUQUA COUNTY

A Local Law Establishing a Physician Recruitment Program and Authorizing the Appropriation
and Expenditure of County Funds for the Purpose of Physician Recruitment

BE IT ENACTED, by the Chautauqua County Legislature as follows:

Section I. INTENT

It is the intent of this Local Law to promote recruitment of physicians to meet the acute physician shortage in Chautauqua County to establish a means whereby county and local efforts can be coordinated to recruit physicians, and to provide county funds to support physician recruitment.

Section II AUTHORIZATION

The County of Chautauqua is hereby authorized to appropriate and expend county funds in cash or kind for physician recruitment and is further authorized to appropriate and expend county funds in cash or kind for the purpose of contracting with physician placement groups or agencies for recruitment of physicians in the private or public sector and to enter into contracts with persons, corporations, associations, agencies or municipalities to carry into effect within the County of Chautauqua such programs.

Section III.

The County Legislature shall have the authority to provide minimum gross income guarantees for a period not to exceed two (2) years for physicians specifically recruited under the physician recruitment program, and to appropriate funds for brochures, travel expenses for physicians being recruited, and moving expenses of physicians specifically recruited by the county provided such physicians agree to practice in the County of Chautauqua for a specified period of time.

Section IV

The Legislature shall have the authority to appropriate and expend moneys to provide funds, matching funds or percentage funding of organized community action programs of a voluntary citizen nature, travel expenses of volunteers engaged in recruitment, underwriting a schedule of stipulated gross income guarantees to physicians who agree to complete two years of practice in the county, and underwriting provisions made for low rentals on offices and homes during the first years of beginning practices with options to physicians to purchase or pay full rental after designated periods of time.

Section V.

The physician recruitment program shall be coordinated by the Director of the Department of Development and the Medical Recruitment Committee. The office of the

Director of Development shall serve as a central depository and clearing house for information pertaining to all aspects of physician supply and recruitment in the county.

Section VI EFFECTIVE DATE

This local law shall take effect immediately.

Adopted by Legislature: 9/25/73

R/C Vote: 20 Yes; 5 Absent

Public Hearing: 9/25/73

Adopted as Local Law 10-73