

RESOLUTION R-26-123

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA, REGARDING PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY; PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS; AUTHORIZING THE PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL TRANSFER PROGRAM WITH THE STATE OF FLORIDA AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION; APPROVING THE FORM AGREEMENT FOR THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL TRANSFER PROGRAM; DESIGNATING THE AUTHORITY FOR THE DIRECTOR OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT TO EXECUTE FORM AGREEMENT(S) AND OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROGRAM; PROVIDING FOR REPORTING; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Florida Constitution and Section 125.01, Florida Statutes, authorize the County to exercise home rule powers for the health, safety and welfare of the general public; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida's Agency for Health Care Administration ("AHCA") created the Florida Medicaid Managed Care Supplemental Payment Program ("Program"); and

WHEREAS, the Program allows qualified Public Emergency Medical Transportation Providers to receive supplemental payments for the emergency transports of Medicaid Managed Care Patients by expending intergovernmental transfer funds; and

WHEREAS, per House Bill 5001, the General Appropriations Act of State Fiscal Year 2026-2027 passed by the 2026 Florida Legislature, Manatee County will pay Intergovernmental Transfer ("IGT") funds to ACHA not to exceed the total of \$1,761,476.57 and

WHEREAS, Manatee County Emergency Medical Services ("EMS") desires to enter into this Letter of Agreement with AHCA to provide the IGT funds for Year 8 of the Program, so that Manatee County EMS may become eligible to receive funding under Year 8 of the Program; and

WHEREAS, Manatee County EMS has annually transported more than 2,400 Medicaid Managed Care Patients to hospitals and receives an average of approximately \$183.00 per patient for this service; and

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transport revenue generating an estimated amount of \$3,200,000 and provide better services to the community; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners ("Board") desires the County, through its EMS, to participate in this Program and finds that it is in the best interest of the health, safety, and welfare of the County to enter into this Letter of Agreement with AHCA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA, THAT:

SECTION 1. FINDINGS. The Board hereby makes the following findings:

1. The recitals set forth above are true and correct;
2. It is in the best interest of the County, and furthers the public health, safety and welfare of the County: (a) to participate in the IGT of funds under the Program and accept the funds provided by each MCO; (b) approve the form of, and authorize the execution of, the form Letter of Agreement between Manatee County and AHCA.

SECTION 2. APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURE OF PROGRAM FUNDS. The Board hereby approves to expend the funds necessary to participate in the Program pursuant to the Letter of Agreement with AHCA, the amount of which does not exceed the amount budgeted by the Board for the IGT for the applicable fiscal year.

SECTION 3. APPROVAL OF FORM AGREEMENTS. The Board hereby approves the form Letter of Agreement, to be executed between the County and AHCA, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit "A" pursuant to and in accordance with the Program. The Director of Public Safety or its designee is hereby authorized to execute such form agreement and other documents necessary pursuant to and in accordance with performance under the Program.

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**MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS**

By: *JLR* _____
Chairperson

**ATTEST: ANGELINA COLONNESO
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND COMPTROLLER**

By: *Angelina Colonneso* _____
Deputy Clerk

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PEMT Local Intergovernmental Transfers	
Program / Amount	State Fiscal Year 2026-2027
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Total Funding Not to Exceed	\$1,761,476.57

WITNESSETH:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have caused this 3-page Letter of Agreement to be executed by their undersigned officials as duly authorized.

MANATEE COUNTY

**STATE OF FLORIDA, AGENCY FOR
HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION**

SIGNED
BY: _____

SIGNED
BY: _____

NAME: _____

NAME: Stephanie Scanlon

TITLE: _____

TITLE: ADS for Medicaid Finance and Analytics

DATE: _____

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MANATEE COUNTY



SIGNED

BY:

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NAME:

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TITLE:

Chairman

DATE:

9/22/26

**STATE OF FLORIDA, AGENCY FOR
HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION**

SIGNED

BY:

NAME:

Stephanie Scanlon

TITLE:

ADS for Medicaid Finance and Analytics

DATE:

ATTEST: MANATEE COUNTY
CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT AND
COUNTY COMPTROLLER
BY: *[Signature]*
DEPUTY CLERK



September 22, 2026 - Regular Meeting

Subject

Adoption of Resolution R-26-123, authorizing the Public Safety Department to Participate in the Intergovernmental Transfer Program with the State of Florida Agency for Health Care Administration, Sean Dwyer, Chief of Emergency Medical Services - Countywide

Category

CONSENT AGENDA

Briefings

None

Contact and/or Presenter Information

Sean Dwyer, Chief of Emergency Medical Services, 941-749-3500 x1668

Action Requested

Adoption of Resolution R-26-123 authorizing Manatee County's participation in the Florida Medicaid Managed Care Supplemental Payment Program; approval of the Intergovernmental Transfer Agreement with the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA); and authorization for the Public Safety Director, or designee, to execute the agreement and any related documents necessary for participation in the program.

Enabling/Regulating Authority

Article VIII, Section 1(f), Florida Constitution, and Section 125.01, Florida Statutes, authorize the County to exercise its home-rule powers and enter into agreements necessary to carry out County governmental functions.

Applicable Advisory Board

N/A

Background Discussion

Manatee County Emergency Medical Services (MCEMS) transports approximately 39,000 patients annually and generates approximately \$16 million in annual patient-service revenue. Patient billing and collections are administered through the County's contract with Digitech Computer LLC. Approximately 6 percent of MCEMS transports are provided to Medicaid beneficiaries. The average reimbursement for a Medicaid transport is approximately \$183, compared with approximately \$558 for Medicare and \$870 for private insurance.

See attached agenda update memo 9/17/26

The Florida Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) administers the Florida Medicaid Managed Care Supplemental Payment Program for qualifying government-owned ambulance providers. The program provides supplemental Medicaid payments intended to reduce the difference between the cost incurred by governmental ambulance providers in furnishing emergency medical transportation to Medicaid managed-care beneficiaries and the reimbursement received for those services.

Participation requires eligible governmental ambulance providers to provide the non-federal share of the supplemental payment through an Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT). AHCA uses the transferred funds to draw the applicable federal Medicaid matching funds and distributes the resulting supplemental payments through participating Medicaid managed care organizations (MCOs).

On September 15, 2020, the Board of County Commissioners authorized Manatee County's participation in the program. Since that time, Manatee County has participated annually and has received the following supplemental payments:

Year 1 – \$839,827.958
Year 2 – \$898,678
Year 3 – \$1,518,448
Year 4 – \$1,952,676
Year 5 – \$3,098,040
Year 6 – approximately \$2,876,609

For Year 7, participating governmental ambulance providers statewide were projected to contribute approximately \$111.2 million through IGTs toward approximately \$260 million in available supplemental funding. Manatee County's required IGT was approximately \$1,420,591.13. Based on the applicable federal matching share, Manatee County anticipated approximately \$3,320,690 in total supplemental payments, resulting in an estimated net benefit of approximately \$1.9 million after accounting for the County's IGT contribution.

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Adoption of Resolution R-26-123 will authorize continued participation in the program and authorize the Public Safety Director, or designee, to execute the agreement and other documents necessary to complete Manatee County's Year 8 participation.

Attorney Review

Not Reviewed (No apparent legal issues)

Instructions to Board Records

Please provide the original & email copies of the signed Resolution to:

- Sean Dwyer, Chief of Emergency Medical Services at sean.dwyer@mymanatee.org
- Mary Allred, Senior Billing Specialist at mary.allred@mymanatee.org

Distributed 9/24/26, RT

Cost and Funds Source Account Number and Name

0010007101 EMS Operations

Amount and Frequency of Recurring Costs

\$1,761,476.57 - one time

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NAME: _____

NAME: Stephanie Scanlon

TITLE:

TITLE: ADS for Medicaid Finance and Analytics

DATE: _____

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September 22, 2026 - Regular Meeting

Subject

Updates to Agenda - September 17, 2026

Category

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Briefings

None

Contact and/or Presenter Information

Bobbi Roy, Agenda Division Supervisor, ext 6878

Action Requested

Updates incorporated appropriately

Enabling/Regulating Authority

N/A

Applicable Advisory Board

N/A

Background Discussion

Below are agenda updates (dated 9/17/26) for the meeting of September 22, 2026:

AWARDS/PRESENTATIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

Proclamations

Item 1, POW/MIA Recognition Month Day

- This agenda item was updated to reflect that it will be presented.

Item 3, Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month

- This agenda item was updated to reflect that it will not be presented.

GENERIC PUBLIC COMMENTS

- This agenda item was updated with additional comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

Clerk of Circuit Court

Item 5, Approval of the Clerk's Consent Agenda dated September 22, 2026.

- This agenda item was updated with the revised Clerk's Consent Calendar and Minutes for September 1, 2026.

Community and Veterans Services

Item 7, Adoption of Resolution R-26-124, authorizing Submission and Acceptance of the FY 2026 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program - Local Formula Award for Manatee County Sheriff's Office Public Safety Needs, Dr. Renese M. Remy, Criminal Justice Policy Coordinator - Countywide

- This agenda item was updated to include the Certifications and Assurances by the Chief Executive of the Applicant Government.

Item 8, Adoption of Resolution R-26-125, amending the 2024–2027 Local Housing Assistance Plan to Add a Mobile/Manufactured Housing Strategy Required by Chapter 2026-173, Laws of Florida (SB 594), Deborah Ash, Housing and Community Development Coordinator

- This agenda item was updated with revised Resolution R-26-125, which deleted reference(s) to Exhibit E.

Item 10, Adoption of Resolution R-26-132 on behalf of the Housing Finance Authority of Manatee County (the "Authority"), approving the issuance within the meaning of Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, of the Authority's Multifamily Housing Revenue Bonds (Lotus Vyne Project), in the principal amount of not to exceed \$71,775,045 (the "Bonds"), Angela Abbott, Housing Finance Authority Attorney

- This agenda item was updated with revised Cover Sheet in strikethrough / underline format and Resolution R-26-132.

Property Management

Item 29, Adoption of Budget Amendment Resolution B-26-112; and Execution of Deed of Rural Lands Protection Easement for Mossy Island Ranch in Partnership with the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Rural and Family Lands Protection Program, Kara Koenig, Environmental Lands Program Section Manager - District 1

- This agenda item was updated with revised Deed of Rural Lands Protection Easement for Mossy Island Ranch.

Item 30, Adoption of Budget Amendment Resolution B-26-113; and Execution of Deed of Rural Lands Protection Easement for Thundercloud Ranch in Partnership with the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Rural and Family Lands Protection Program, Kara Koenig, Environmental Lands Program Section Manager - District 1

- This agenda item was updated with revised Deed of Rural Lands Protection Easement for Thundercloud Ranch.

Public Safety

Item 35, Adoption of Resolution R-26-123, authorizing the Public Safety Department to Participate in the Intergovernmental Transfer Program with the State of Florida Agency for Health Care Administration, Sean Dwyer, Chief of Emergency Medical Services – Countywide

- This agenda item was updated with finalized Resolution R-26-123 with Exhibit A, Form of Agreement Public Emergency Medical Transportation Letter of Agreement and Cover Sheet in strikethrough/underline format.

Item 36, Adoption of Resolution R-26-128, Low Income Pool and Graduate Medical Education Program Funding - Thu Le, Health Information Services Manager – Countywide

- This agenda item was updated to revise the Cover Sheet in strikethrough / underline format; and add Resolution R-26-128, Low Income Pool Letter of Agreements for MCR Health and Centerstone, and Graduate Medical Education Letter of Agreement for Centerstone.

ADVERTISED PUBLIC HEARINGS - LEGISLATIVE

Presentations Scheduled

Item 45, Adoption of Ordinance 26-36, regulating Simulated Gambling Devices and Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), Tom Wooten, Code Enforcement Chief - Countywide

- This agenda item was updated to change the presenter from Tom Wooten, Code Enforcement Chief, to Stephanie Charles, Development Services Deputy Director.

Item 46, Adoption of Ordinance 26-42, Data Center Moratorium - PLN2609-0022 - Legislative - Jay Stearman, Planner I - Countywide

An Ordinance Manatee County, Florida establishing a temporary moratorium on the submission and acceptance of applications for building permits, site plans, development orders, development agreements, special permit uses, rezonings, and comprehensive plan amendments related to data centers, large-scale data centers and other large load customers within unincorporated Manatee County; providing for authority; legislative findings of fact; temporary moratorium imposed; duration of temporary moratorium; providing for severability; and an effective date.

- This agenda item was updated with the Affidavit of Publishing, Revised Ordinance 26-42 and public comments.

REGULAR

Property Management

Item 49, Execution of License Agreement with Sema Construction, Inc., Concerning a Portion of the County Property located in Cortez, Florida 34215, Peter Morrow, Property Acquisition Division Manager - District 3

- This agenda item was deferred to October 6, 2026.

Attorney Review

Not Reviewed (No apparent legal issues)

Instructions to Board Records

N/A

Cost and Funds Source Account Number and Name

N/A

Amount and Frequency of Recurring Costs

N/A



September 22, 2026 - Regular Meeting

Subject

Adoption of Resolution R-26-123, authorizing the Public Safety Department to Participate in the Intergovernmental Transfer Program with the State of Florida Agency for Health Care Administration, Sean Dwyer, Chief of Emergency Medical Services - Countywide

Category

CONSENT AGENDA

Briefings

None

Contact and/or Presenter Information

Sean Dwyer, Chief of Emergency Medical Services, 941-749-3500 x1668

Action Requested

Adoption of Resolution R-26-123 authorizing Manatee County's participation in the Florida Medicaid Managed Care Supplemental Payment Program; approval of the Intergovernmental Transfer Agreement with the Florida Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA); and authorization for the Public Safety Director, or designee, to execute the agreement and any related documents necessary for participation in the program.

Enabling/Regulating Authority

Article VIII, Section 1(f), Florida Constitution, and Section 125.01, Florida Statutes, authorize the County to exercise its home-rule powers and enter into agreements necessary to carry out County governmental functions.

Applicable Advisory Board

N/A

Background Discussion

Manatee County Emergency Medical Services (MCEMS) transports approximately 39,000 patients annually and generates approximately \$16 million in annual patient-service revenue. Patient billing and collections are administered through the County's contract with Digitech Computer LLC. Approximately 6 percent of MCEMS transports are provided to Medicaid beneficiaries. The average reimbursement for a Medicaid transport is approximately \$183, compared with approximately \$558 for Medicare and \$870 for private insurance.

The Florida Agency for Health Care Administration (AHCA) administers the Florida Medicaid Managed Care Supplemental Payment Program for qualifying government-owned ambulance providers. The program provides supplemental Medicaid payments intended to reduce the difference between the cost incurred by governmental ambulance providers in furnishing emergency medical transportation to Medicaid managed-care beneficiaries and the reimbursement received for those services.

Participation requires eligible governmental ambulance providers to provide the non-federal share of the supplemental payment through an Intergovernmental Transfer (IGT). AHCA uses the transferred funds to draw the applicable federal Medicaid matching funds and distributes the resulting supplemental payments through participating Medicaid managed care organizations (MCOs).

On September 15, 2020, the Board of County Commissioners authorized Manatee County's participation in the program. Since that time, Manatee County has participated annually and has received the following supplemental payments:

Year 1 – \$839,827.95
Year 2 – \$898,678
Year 3 – \$1,518,448
Year 4 – \$1,952,676
Year 5 – \$3,098,040
Year 6 – approximately \$2,876,609

For Year 7, participating governmental ambulance providers statewide were projected to contribute approximately \$111.2 million through IGTs toward approximately \$260 million in available supplemental funding. Manatee County's required IGT was approximately \$1,420,591.13. Based on the applicable federal matching share, Manatee County anticipated approximately \$3,320,600 in total supplemental payments, resulting in an estimated net benefit of approximately \$1.9 million after accounting for the County's IGT contribution.

Manatee County currently receives program payments through six Medicaid managed care organizations: Aetna Better Health, Simply Healthcare, Humana, Florida Community Care, UnitedHealthcare, and Sunshine Health.

For Year 8, Manatee County is required to execute the applicable agreement with AHCA and remit the required IGT in order to participate in the program. The County's anticipated Year 8 IGT is \$_____, with anticipated gross supplemental payments of approximately \$_____ and an estimated net benefit to the County of approximately \$_____.

Adoption of Resolution R-26-123 will authorize continued participation in the program and authorize the Public Safety Director, or designee, to execute the agreement and other documents necessary to complete Manatee County's Year 8 participation.

Attorney Review

Not Reviewed (No apparent legal issues)

Instructions to Board Records

Please provide the original & email copies of the signed Resolution to:

- Sean Dwyer, Chief of Emergency Medical Services at sean.dwyer@mymanatee.org
- Mary Allred, Senior Billing Specialist at mary.allred@mymanatee.org

Cost and Funds Source Account Number and Name

0010007101 EMS Operations

Amount and Frequency of Recurring Costs

\$ - one time

REVISED AND REPLACED

RESOLUTION R-26-123

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA, REGARDING PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY; PROVIDING FOR FINDINGS; AUTHORIZING THE PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL TRANSFER PROGRAM WITH THE STATE OF FLORIDA AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION; APPROVING THE FORM AGREEMENT FOR THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL TRANSFER PROGRAM; DESIGNATING THE AUTHORITY FOR THE DIRECTOR OF THE PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT TO EXECUTE FORM AGREEMENT(S) AND OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROGRAM; PROVIDING FOR REPORTING; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Florida Constitution and Section 125.01, Florida Statutes, authorize the County to exercise home rule powers for the health, safety and welfare of the general public; and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida's Agency for Health Care Administration ("AHCA") created the Florida Medicaid Managed Care Supplemental Payment Program ("Program"); and

WHEREAS, the Program allows qualified Public Emergency Medical Transportation Providers to receive supplemental payments for the emergency transports of Medicaid Managed Care Patients by expending intergovernmental transfer funds; and

WHEREAS, per House Bill 5001, the General Appropriations Act of State Fiscal Year 2026-2027 passed by the 2026 Florida Legislature, Manatee County will pay Intergovernmental Transfer ("IGT") funds to ACHA not to exceed the total of \$ and

WHEREAS, Manatee County Emergency Medical Services ("EMS") desires to enter into this Letter of Agreement with AHCA to provide the IGT funds for Year 8 of the Program, so that Manatee County EMS may become eligible to receive funding under Year 8 of the Program; and

WHEREAS, Manatee County EMS has annually transported more than 2,400 Medicaid Managed Care Patients to hospitals and receives an average of approximately \$183.00 per patient for this service; and

WHEREAS, by participating in the Program and accepting the funds therein, Manatee County EMS can substantially increase its Medicaid Managed Care Patient transport revenue generating an estimated amount of \$ and provide better services to the community; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners ("Board") desires the County, through its EMS, to participate in this Program and finds that it is in the best interest of the health, safety, and welfare of the County to enter into this Letter of Agreement with AHCA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA, THAT:

SECTION 1. FINDINGS. The Board hereby makes the following findings:

1. The recitals set forth above are true and correct;
2. It is in the best interest of the County, and furthers the public health, safety and welfare of the County: (a) to participate in the IGT of funds under the Program and accept the funds provided by each MOU; (b) approve the form of, and authorize the execution of, the form Letter of Agreement between Manatee County and AHCA.

SECTION 2. APPROVAL OF EXPENDITURE OF PROGRAM FUNDS. The Board hereby approves to expend the funds necessary to participate in the Program pursuant to the Letter of Agreement with AHCA, the amount of which does not exceed the amount budgeted by the Board for the IGT for the applicable fiscal year.

SECTION 3. APPROVAL OF FORM AGREEMENTS. The Board hereby approves the form Letter of Agreement to be executed between the County and AHCA, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit "A" pursuant to and in accordance with the Program. The Director of Public Safety or its designee is hereby authorized to execute such form agreement and other documents necessary pursuant to and in accordance with performance under the Program.

SECTION 4. REPORTING. The Director of Public Safety shall annually provide a list to the Board of all agreements executed pursuant to Section 3, above.

SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY. If any section, sentence, clause, or other provision of this Resolution shall be held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not be construed as to render invalid or unconstitutional the remaining sections, sentences, clauses, or provisions of this Resolution.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

ADOPTED WITH A QUORUM PRESENT AND VOTING THIS 22nd DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2026.

**MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BOARD OF COUNTY
COMMISSIONERS**

By: _____
Chairperson

**ATTEST: ANGELINA COLONNESO
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT AND COMPTROLLER**

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

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EXHIBIT "A"
FORM OF AGREEMENT

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