



# COUNTY OF ERIE

**MARK C. POLONCARZ**

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

January 4, 2013

Erie County Legislature  
92 Franklin Street- Fourth Floor  
Buffalo, New York 14202

**RE: Establish Ready or Not Grant Budget**

Dear Honorable Members:

The attached resolution requests authorization to establish the budget for the Department of Senior Services' Ready or Not grant for the period November 19, 2012, through June 1, 2014.

Should your Honorable Body require any further information, I encourage you to contact Anthony Gregorczyk, Supervisor of Grants Administration in the Department of Senior Services. Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mark C. Poloncarz".

Mark C. Poloncarz  
Erie County Executive

MCP/bb  
Enclosure

cc: Anthony Gregorczyk, Dept of Senior Services  
Randy Hoak, Dept of Senior Services

## **MEMORANDUM**

To: Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature  
From: Department of Senior Services  
Re: Establish Ready or Not Grant Budget  
Date: January 3, 2013

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### **SUMMARY**

Approve the attached resolution to establish the budget for a Ready or Not grant for the period November 19, 2012 through September 30, 2014.

### **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

County funds are not required. The \$50,000 grant is 100% funded by the Health Foundation for Western & Central New York.

### **REASONS FOR RECOMENDATION**

This additional funding will allow the Department to engage in a process with skilled experts to assess the Department's role in the changing health care environment, including identifying new partnerships that will help improve quality of care and care coordination for Erie County's senior population.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The department recently applied for and was awarded this grant by the Health Foundation for Western & Central New York. Grant funds are to be used to help agencies build capacity to make the most of new opportunities associated with recent health care policy initiatives, including the Affordable Care Act and New York State's Medicaid Redesign efforts.

### **CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION**

The Department would be unable to utilize these available grant funds to improve our processes for providing services to seniors.

### **STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL**

The Department will establish the Ready or Not grant and carry out applicable grant objectives.

**A RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY:  
DEPARTMENT OF SENIOR SERVICES**

**RE: Establish Ready or Not Grant Budget**

WHEREAS, the Health Foundation for Western & Central New York has notified the Department of Senior Services that the Department has been awarded \$50,000 for the Ready or Not grant for the period November 19, 2012 through June 1, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Ready or Not grant funds will be used by the Department of Senior Services to systematically assess available services and explore possible partnerships within the community in order to contribute to the improvement of health care for Erie County's older adult population.

WHEREAS, a local match is not required for this grant, as it is 100% funded by the Health Foundation for Western & Central New York; and

WHEREAS, the Ready or Not grant budget needs to be established; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, that the County Executive be and is hereby authorized to contract with the Health Foundation for Western & Central New York to accept the Ready or Not grant funds; and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the budget for the Ready or Not grant, (163RON1214), be established as follows:

REVENUES		INITIAL BUDGET
Account	Description	
417060	Other Income	\$50,000
APPROPRIATIONS		
510100	Out of Area Travel	\$ 4,500
516020	Professional Svcs & Fees	35,418
916390	ID Senior Svcs Grant Svcs	<u>10,082</u>
	TOTAL	\$50,000
APPROPRIATIONS		

and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the Director of Budget and Management is hereby authorized to adjust budgets as required to comply with the Health Foundation for Western & Central New York approved funding levels; and be it further

**RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the County Executive's Office, the Division of Budget and Management, the Comptroller's Office, and the Department of Senior Services.**