



# COUNTY OF ERIE

**MARK C. POLONCARZ**

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

July 21, 2014

The Honorable  
Erie County Legislature  
92 Franklin Street – Fourth Floor  
Buffalo, New York 14202

**RE: Authorization to Enter Into Contract with Integrated Therapy Group  
IMMEDIATE CONSIDERATION REQUESTED**

Honorable Members:

The purpose of this resolution is to authorize entering into a contract with Integrated Therapy Group, for the provision eligible clinical services during the time period July 1, 2014 – June 30, 2015 with two automatic renewals.

The Integrated Therapy Group provides speech therapy, occupational therapy and physical therapy to children in Erie County under the Preschool Program. The dollar amount varies based on the number of children assigned to their agency.

Should your Honorable Body require further information, I encourage you to contact the Health Department. Thank you for your consideration on this matter.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Mark C. Poloncarz", is written over a faint, larger version of the signature.

Mark C. Poloncarz, Esq.  
Erie County Executive

MCP/lmg  
Enclosure

## **MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Honorable Members of the Erie County Legislature  
**From:** Health Department  
**Re:** Authorization to Enter into Contract with Seton Imaging  
**Date:** July 21, 2014

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### **SUMMARY**

The purpose of this resolution is to authorize entering into a contract with Integrated Therapy Group, for the provision eligible clinical services during the time period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015 with two automatic renewals.

### **FISCAL IMPLICATIONS**

The dollar amount varies based on the number of children assigned to their agency. State funding covers 59.5% and the remaining 40.5% is local funding. Funding is available in the 2014 Adopted Budget.

### **REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATION**

The Integrated Therapy Group provides speech therapy, occupational therapy and physical therapy to children in Erie County under the Preschool Program.

### **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

We contracted with both **Integrated** Therapy Group and **InterActive** Therapy Group. The latter (InterActive Therapy Group) was purchased by Liberty Post and their name was subsequently changed. Due to the extremely similar names Integrated Therapy Group was removed from the R pages of the 2014 Budget instead of InterActive Therapy Group. This resolution addresses that issue and requests authorization to contract with Integrated Therapy Group.

### **CONSEQUENCES OF NEGATIVE ACTION**

There will be an interruption in these much needed therapies to the children of Erie County currently being served by this agency.

### **STEPS FOLLOWING APPROVAL**

We will follow appropriate steps necessary to enter into the contract.

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTED BY:  
HEALTH DEPARTMENT

RE: Authorization to Enter into  
Contract with Integrated Therapy Group

WHEREAS, the purpose of this resolution is to authorize entering into contract with Integrated Therapy Group during the time period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015 with two automatic renewals; and

WHEREAS, the funds necessary to cover the costs of this contract have been appropriated in the 2014 Adopted Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the County Executive is hereby authorized to enter into contract with Integrated Therapy Group for the provision of Speech, Physical and Occupational therapies to the children of Erie County under the Preschool Program; and be it further

RESOLVED, that funds necessary to cover the costs of this contract are available in the 2014 budget; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution will be forwarded to the Erie County Executive, the Office of the Comptroller, the Division of Budget and Management, the Department of Law and to Dr. Gale R. Burstein, Commissioner, in the Erie County Department of Health, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor, Rath Building.