

# Inter-County Association of Western New York

*Representing the Counties of Allegany, Cattaraugus, Cayuga, Chautauqua, Chemung, Erie, Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Niagara, Ontario, Orleans, Schuyler, Seneca, Steuben, Tompkins, Wayne, Wyoming, and Yates.*

## RESOLUTION NO. 2023-01-IC

### RESOLUTION URGING THE NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATURE TO AMEND GOVERNOR HOCHUL'S SFY 2024 EXECUTIVE BUDGET TO CONTINUE REMITTANCE OF THE ENHANCED FEDERAL MEDICAID MATCHING PERCENTAGE (eFMAP)

**Sponsored By:** Allegany County

**Moved By:** Gary Barnes (Allegany)

**Seconded By:** Jennifer Ricketts-Swales (Allegany)

**WHEREAS**, the funding to support the Medicaid program is provided by a combination of federal, state, and local resources, and

**WHEREAS**, New York State requires that its 57 counties and New York City contribute \$6.474 billion annually to pay for this federal and state-defined and controlled program, and

**WHEREAS**, this large local funding share for Medicaid and other state programs is a major contributor to New York State's high local tax burden compared to other states in the country, and

**WHEREAS**, the Federal government has provided an enhanced Medicaid matching share (eFMAP), which has saved New York State billions of dollars, and

**WHEREAS**, New York State is required under federal law to share these savings with its 57 counties and New York City, and

**WHEREAS**, Governor Hochul's SFY 2024 Budget proposes to end the Affordable Care Act (ACA) Enhanced Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (eFMAP) federal pass-through to its 57 counties and New York City, and

**WHEREAS**, it continues to be the strong position of Inter-County Association of Western New York (ICAWNY) and New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC) that Congress intended for these federal savings to be shared with the counties proportional to the amount they contributed toward the non-federal Medicaid match, and

**WHEREAS**, Counties strongly disagree with the need to cut county funding so deeply when the Governor's budget proposes to fully fund its own reserves two years ahead of the schedule by depositing \$5.4 billion into reserves before the end of SFY 2023, while also projecting a general fund surplus of \$35 billion by the end of SFY 2024, and

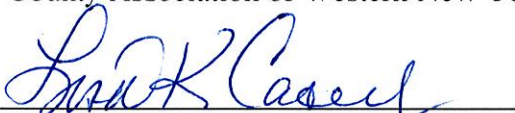
**WHEREAS**, NYSAC estimates that the statewide impact on the 57 counties and New York City would exceed \$1 billion. Now, therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, That members of the ICAWNY urges the New York State Legislature to amend Governor Hochul’s SFY 2024 Budget to continue remittance of the Enhanced Federal Medicaid Matching Percentage (eFMAP) and complete Enhanced Federal Medicaid Assistance Percentage (eFMAP) reconciliations that are overdue, and immediately release the federal funds owed. Be it further

**RESOLVED**, That the Secretary of Inter-County Association of Western New York shall forward copies of this resolution to Governor Kathy Hochul, New York State Congressional Delegation, New York State Legislation in Western New York, Inter-County Association of Western New York and the New York State Association of Counties and all others deemed necessary and proper.

This is to Certify that I, the undersigned, Secretary of the Inter-County Association of Western New York, have compared the foregoing copy of resolution with the original resolution now on file in this office and which was duly adopted by the Association at a session held on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of February 2023 and that the same is a true copy of said original and of the whole thereof.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed the official seal of the Inter-County Association of Western New York dated February 17, 2023.



Lisa K. Casey  
Inter-County Association of Western New York

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