

RESOLUTION NO. 24-08-012

SPONSORED BY: Commissioners Jared Anderson, Richard Carver, John Giles, Tom Stinnett, and David Wells

A RESOLUTION THAT APPROVES AN AGREEMENT TERM WHICH EXTENDS BEYOND THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR WITH CAREMARK AND EHPC FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF EMPLOYEE PRESCRIPTION BENEFITS

WHEREAS, Blount County, TN (“the County”) maintains a self-insured health plan for the medical and prescription medication claims of its employees; and

WHEREAS, Blount County desires to contract for the administration of employee prescription benefits; and

WHEREAS, CBIZ Benefits and Insurance Services of Tennessee (“CBIZ”), the independent health insurance broker retained by the County to obtain and make recommendations regarding benefits, solicited proposals for the aforesaid administrative services; and

WHEREAS, CaremarkPCS Health, LLC (“Caremark”), and Employers Health Purchasing Corporation (“EHPC”) is the most competitive option for Blount County, TN; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Blount County, Tennessee, adopted the provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated, § 5-14-101 et. seq., known as the County Purchasing Law of 1957; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated §5-14-108(m)(1) states that the county purchasing agent is authorized to purchase and contract to purchase materials, supplies, equipment, and contractual services on a fiscal year basis, but no commitment shall be made which extends beyond the end of the current fiscal year for which appropriations have been made by the County legislative body, except such commitments as are authorized by resolution of the County legislative body; and

WHEREAS, the Blount County HR and Insurance Committees met on July 16, 2024, reviewed the recommendation from CBIZ, and made a recommendation to approve the agreement with CaremarkPCS Health, LLC and Employers Health Purchasing Corporation.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Blount County, Tennessee, assembled in regular session this 15th day of August, 2024 approves the Prescription Benefit Services Agreement with CaremarkPCS Health, LLC and Employers Health Purchasing Corporation for the administration of Blount County’s employee prescription benefits effective January 1, 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County Mayor, or his designee, is hereby authorized to execute the Agreement with CaremarkPCS Health, LLC and Employers Health Purchasing Corporation for the administration of Blount County’s employee prescription benefits; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THIS RESOLUTION TAKE EFFECT FROM AND AFTER ITS PASSAGE, THE PUBLIC WELFARE REQUIRING IT; AND THAT ANY PRIOR RESOLUTION TO THE CONTRARY IS HEREBY DECLARED VOID.

CERTIFICATION OF ACTION

ATTEST

Commission Chairman

County Clerk

County Mayor

Date

- Approved
- Vetoed