

LOWNDES COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
COMMISSION AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Stop Loss Insurance Renewal with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Georgia

DATE OF MEETING: December 8, 2015

Work Session (X)  
Regular Session (X)  
Recommendation ( )  
Policy/Discussion ( )  
Report ( )  
Other ( )

BUDGET IMPACT: \$ N/A

FUNDING SOURCE: General Fund

(X) Annual  
( ) Capital  
( ) N/A

COUNTY ACTION REQUESTED ON: Approve Stop Loss Insurance Renewal with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Georgia

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HISTORY, FACTS AND ISSUES: The Lowndes County Health Benefit Plan is a self-funded program that is administered through Paragon (Third Party Administrator) using the Blue Cross Blue Shield Network of Georgia. Stop loss insurance is a form of excess risk coverage that provides protection for Lowndes County against a high claim on any one individual.

EPIC (formerly known as the McCart Group) represents Lowndes County as our Health Insurance Broker. Each year EPIC markets the county's stop-loss insurance in an effort to capture the best available rates for the employee health benefit plan. Blue Cross Blue Shield of Georgia has carried the county's stop loss insurance for the past 2 years and is offering Lowndes County with the lowest available rates for the upcoming 2016 plan year.

OPTIONS: 1. Approve the Stop Loss Insurance Renewal with Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Georgia.  
2. Board's Pleasure

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Board's Pleasure

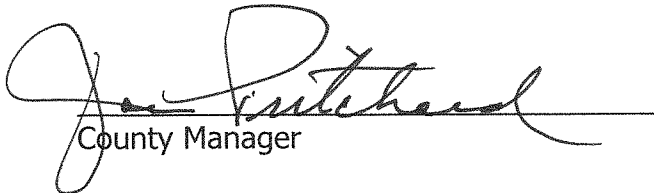
DEPARTMENT: Human Resources

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Kevin L. Beals

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATION:

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County Manager

Action Taken By Board: \_\_\_\_\_