



**Township Council**  
1 Municipal Plaza  
Bloomfield, NJ 07003

**Louise M. Palagano**  
*Municipal Clerk*

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Meeting: 11/21/16 07:00 PM

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**2016 RESOLUTION HEALTH BENEFITS CONTRACT**

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**APPOINTMENT OF MERITAIN HEALTH AS THIRD PARTY ADMINISTRATOR**

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Bloomfield has adopted an employee health benefits plan known as the Township of Bloomfield Employee Health Benefits Plan (Plan) for certain Bloomfield Township employees and their eligible dependents; and

**WHEREAS**, the Township of Bloomfield has from time to time reviewed various proposals to provide the Plan on a fully insured and self funded basis, receiving proposals from third party administrators and insurance companies and ultimately selected the most qualified, Meritain Health - Minneapolis (Meritain) 1405 Xenium Lane North, Suite 140, Plymouth, MN 55441; and

**WHEREAS**, in selecting Meritain, the Township of Bloomfield has elected to fund the Plan on a self - funded basis as permitted by NJSA 40A:10-6, et. seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, Meritain has submitted a proposal to act as Plan Supervisor in administering the Plan for a 12 month period, beginning January 1, 2017; and

**WHEREAS**, the award of this agreement is in accord with the new provider network and schedules submitted by Aetna US Healthcare; and

**WHEREAS**, the value of such services shall exceed \$17,500.00 per annum, thereby implicating the "Pay to Play" provisions of NJSA 19:44A-20.2, et.seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, the award of this agreement is made without competitive bidding (which is permitted by the insurance services exception of NJSA 40A:11-5(1)(m)), Meritain in compliance with the aforementioned "Pay to Play" Law, has certified as required by NJSA 19:44A-20.8 that:

1. Meritain has not made any contribution that would bar the award of services under NJSA 19:44A-20.8, and
2. Meritain has not made any contribution that would require the award be subject to open bidding under NJSA 19:44-20.2, 20.3, 20.4 or 20.5, inclusively; and
3. Neither Meritain, nor anyone having 10% or more interest therein (as defined under NJSA 19:44A-20.6 and 20.7), has made any such disqualifying contribution(s) within the statutorily prescribed period prior to providing such services; and
4. Neither Meritain, nor anyone having a 10% or more interest therein (as defined under NJSA 19:44A-20.6 and 20.7), will be permitted to make any such disqualifying contribution(s) during the period in which Meritain provides services to the Township of Bloomfield.

**NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED**, that the Township of Bloomfield shall enter into an agreement with Meritain Health - Minneapolis (Meritain) 1405 Xenium Lane North, Suite 140, Plymouth, MN 55441 for the aforesaid services in accordance with their proposal at the above stated rate of payment subject to the availability of funding in the 2017 Temporary and/or adopted Township budget.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that notice of this action be printed once in a newspaper of general circulation; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Township Administrator be and is hereby authorized to execute said contract in a form to be approved by Township Council.

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I hereby certify that the above resolution was duly adopted by the Mayor and Council of the Township of Bloomfield at a meeting of said Township Council held on November 21, 2016.

  
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 Municipal Clerk of the Township of Bloomfield

  
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 Mayor of the Township of Bloomfield

✓ Vote Record – Resolution					
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<input type="checkbox"/> Approve	Carlos Pomares	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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