



**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**  
2608 Government Center Drive  
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**Resolution #18-0207-044**

*Approval to Include the Tribal Pharmacy as Direct Services Offered by Tribal Health Services and Create a Service Area for Implementation of Changes to Administration of Little River's Purchase and Referred Care Program*

WHEREAS, the status of the *Gaá Čhíng Ziibi Daáwaa Aníshinaábek* (Little River Band of Ottawa Indians) as a sovereign and Treaty-making power is confirmed in numerous treaties, from agreements with the initial colonial powers on this land, to various treaties with the United States; and

WHEREAS, the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians (Tribe) is descended from, and is the political successor to, the Grand River Ottawa Bands, signatories of the 1836 Treaty of Washington (7 Stat. 491) with the United States, as reaffirmed by federal law in P.L. 103-324, enacted in 1994; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe adopted a new Constitution, pursuant to a vote of the membership on May 27, 1998, which Constitution became effective upon its approval by the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs on July 10, 1998; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe adopted amendments to the Constitution on April 26, 2004, which became effective upon approval by the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs on May 13, 2004; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe adopted amendments to the Constitution on July 11, 2016 which became effective upon approval by the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs on August 24, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council is authorized under Article IV, Section 7(a) (2) to provide for the public health, peace, morals, education and general welfare of the Little River Band and its members; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7(i) (2) of the Constitution, has the power to manage any funds within the exclusive control of the Tribe and to appropriate such funds for the benefit of the Tribe and its' members; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Council, pursuant to Article IV, Section 7 (j) of the Constitution, has the power to take action necessary to carry out the sovereign legislative powers of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Little River Band has determined it is appropriate to offer direct health services through the Tribal Pharmacy in order to maximize the number of Tribal Members assisted by Purchase and Referred Care funds.


NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council approves the change of the current Purchase and Referred Care Program to include the direct services of the Tribal Pharmacy and to implement a fifty (50) miles radius service area from the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Government Center for such services.

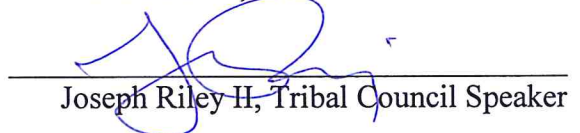
IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Tribal Council approves such changes to the Purchase and Referred Care Program become effective on March 19, 2018.

FINALLY IT IS RESOLVED THAT the attached communication shall be sent to Tribal Members in the Nine (9) County Service Area in order to inform them of program changes as soon as is practicable.

**CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 8 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAINING, and 1 ABSENT, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held on February 7, 2018, at the Government Center in Manistee, Michigan, with a quorum being present for such vote.

  
Sandra Lewis, Tribal Council Recorder

  
Joseph Riley II, Tribal Council Speaker

Attest:

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## Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

Health Services  
2608 Government Center Drive  
Manistee, MI. 49660  
231-723-8288

February 8, 2018

Dear Tribal Member,

We are happy to announce that the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians (LRBOI) recently opened a tribal pharmacy to benefit the medical needs of Health Clinic patients. Having a tribal pharmacy as a direct service to the tribal community, and eventually to non-native tribal employees and their families, has been a long-term goal of Tribal Council.

### Why this change?

Operating a tribal pharmacy will help the Tribe save money, generate revenue and provide superior service at no cost to you as a member. Specifically, the money the Tribe uses to pay the co-pays of patients' prescriptions to other pharmacies comes from a limited pool of funds that every member shares for the entire year. The implementation of our own pharmacy allows the Tribe to maximize the use of those funds. This means more members receiving services.

### Where do I get started?

The LRBOI pharmacy is located in the Health Clinic side of the LRBOI Government Center building at 2608 Government Center Drive, Manistee and has a direct phone number of 231-398-6853. Hours of operation are currently Monday through Friday from 8:00am to 5:00pm and is closed on weekends and holidays.

### What are the changes?

To work towards our goals, the Tribal Council has approved through resolution the following:

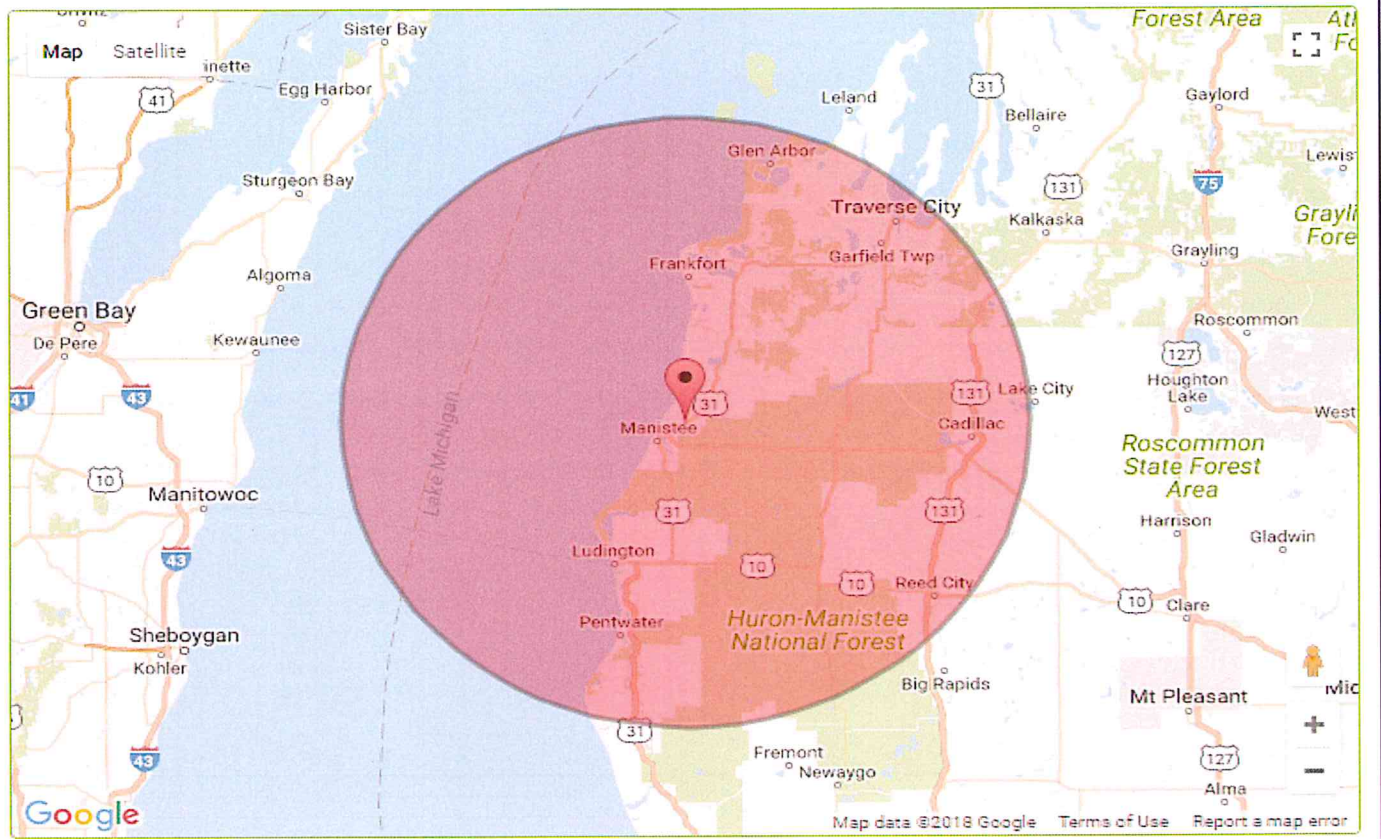
- If you lack prescription (Rx) insurance or, if you live within fifty (50) mile ZIP code radius of the LRBOI Government Center, beginning March 19, 2018 Purchased and Referred Care (PRC, formerly known as Contract Health Services) funds will only be authorized for prescriptions dispensed at the LRBOI pharmacy. Payment for prescription expenses incurred at other pharmacies will be the individual's responsibility. (Except for one-time fills of prescriptions from emergency room or urgent care facilities when the LRBOI pharmacy is closed.)
- If you can demonstrate that a hardship will result from using the LRBOI pharmacy, please contact PRC staff at 1-888-382-8299 to explore other options for your prescription needs.
- Most prescriptions currently being filled at other pharmacies can be transferred to the LRBOI pharmacy. Stop in at or call the LRBOI pharmacy at 231-398-6853 for assistance.

As the customer base continues to expand we will continue to make changes in our pharmacy processes. We will strive to minimize disruptions to you while attempting to realize Tribal Council goals, and keep you informed of the changes being made.

Thank you for your time and cooperation as we continue to grow.

Sincerely,

LRBOI Health Services/PRC-EHAP/Pharmacy



#### Zip Code List

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49660	49660 Manistee, MI (0 miles)	49643	49643 Interlochen, MI (31.9 miles)
49626	49626 Eastlake, MI (4.6 miles)	49640	49640 Honor, MI (33.2 miles)
49634	49634 Filer City, MI (4.6 miles)	49623	49623 Chase, MI (34.3 miles)
49675	49675 Onekama, MI (8.8 miles)	49420	49420 Hart, MI (35.3 miles)
49411	49411 Free Soil, MI (9.8 miles)	49459	49459 Walkerville, MI (35.4 miles)
49619	49619 Brethren, MI (10.5 miles)	49637	49637 Grawn, MI (36 miles)
49645	49645 Kaleva, MI (11.8 miles)	49688	49688 Tustin, MI (36.2 miles)
49689	49689 Wellston, MI (13.1 miles)	49309	49309 Bitely, MI (36.5 miles)
49614	49614 Bear Lake, MI (14 miles)	49650	49650 Lake Ann, MI (37.2 miles)
49410	49410 Fountain, MI (15.8 miles)	49649	49649 Kingsley, MI (38.5 miles)
49644	49644 Irons, MI (17.1 miles)	49655	49655 Leroy, MI (38.6 miles)
49613	49613 Arcadia, MI (18.3 miles)	49663	49663 Manton, MI (39.4 miles)
49638	49638 Harrietta, MI (19.6 miles)	49436	49436 Mears, MI (39.9 miles)
49458	49458 Walhalla, MI (20.3 miles)	49677	49677 Reed City, MI (40.5 miles)
49625	49625 Copemish, MI (20.9 miles)	49666	49666 Mayfield, MI (40.8 miles)
49454	49454 Scottville, MI (21.1 miles)	49630	49630 Empire, MI (40.8 miles)
49431	49431 Ludington, MI (21.2 miles)	49312	49312 Brohman, MI (41 miles)
49402	49402 Branch, MI (21.7 miles)	49338	49338 Paris, MI (43.2 miles)
49405	49405 Custer, MI (22.1 miles)	49684	49684 Traverse City, MI (43.5 miles)
49683	49683 Thompsonville, MI (24.1 miles)	49421	49421 Hesperia, MI (43.6 miles)



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49616	49616 Benzonia, MI (24.2 miles)	49455	49455 Shelby, MI (43.6 miles)
49628	49628 Elberta, MI (26.1 miles)	49696	49696 Traverse City, MI (44.7 miles)
49656	49656 Luther, MI (26.2 miles)	49636	49636 Glen Arbor, MI (44.8 miles)
49304	49304 Baldwin, MI (26.5 miles)	49685	49685 Traverse City, MI (45.1 miles)
49635	49635 Frankfort, MI (26.5 miles)	49639	49639 Hersey, MI (45.4 miles)
49668	49668 Mesick, MI (26.6 miles)	49664	49664 Maple City, MI (45.8 miles)
49618	49618 Boon, MI (27.8 miles)	49621	49621 Cedar, MI (47.7 miles)
49617	49617 Beulah, MI (28.1 miles)	49657	49657 Mc Bain, MI (48.3 miles)
49601	49601 Cadillac, MI (30.6 miles)	49446	49446 New Era, MI (48.5 miles)
49642	49642 Idlewild, MI (31.2 miles)	49349	49349 White Cloud, MI (48.8 miles)
49620	49620 Buckley, MI (31.5 miles)	49307	49307 Big Rapids, MI (48.9 miles)
49449	49449 Pentwater, MI (31.7 miles)	49610	49610 Acme, MI (49.1 miles)