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Memorandum

DATE: January 21, 2021

TO: County Training Committee Chairpersons

FROM: Kevin J. Sehlmeyer, State Fire Marshal/Director

SUBJECT: Fiduciary for Firefighter Behavioral and Mental Health District

On December 4, 2020, the Michigan Fire Fighters Training Council (MFFTC) held a special meeting/work session to discuss what would be done with the FY21 Fireworks Safety Fees that were returned on January 1, 2021 from the counties. Later during the regular MFFTC meeting, the council made a motion to use all unencumbered/returned funds specifically for firefighter mental and behavioral health courses. Council divided the state into 27 designated districts to distribute said funds. Motion **20-12-06** reads:

> *"Motion to approve returned Fireworks funds to be distributed to a designated county training chairperson in the amount of $1,000, for a total of $27,000 to the council designated 27 districts for mental and behavioral health courses."*

Currently the Bureau of Fire Services (BFS) has a total of $148,500 in funds available to disburse to the 27 districts ($5,500 to each district). The County Training Committee Chairperson in each county will need to coordinate with the other County Training Committee Chairpersons in their respective district and let BFS know who the fiduciary for their district will be **by January 30, 2021.**

Once the district fiduciary is determined, they will need to email BFS at LARA-BFS-SMOKE@michigan.gov with the subject line, "Mental and Behavioral Health District Fiduciary". The email should contain the following information: the name and contact information of the chosen fiduciary and the district they are representing.

When $27,000 of unencumbered/returned Fireworks Safety Fees become available, the BFS will provide each county training chairperson's designated fiduciary funding of $1,000 specifically for MFFTC approved mental or behavioral health courses. When the funds are distributed, an announcement will be shared on GovDelivery. To sign up for GovDelivery announcements from the BFS, click here.

Below are the current MFFTC approved mental and behavior health courses:

- G04A NFFF Stress First Aid
- G04 NFFF Stress First Aid Train the Trainer

- Q61A Emotional Wellness & Career Survival
- Q61B NFFF Health and Safety Summit
- Q61C IAFF Peer Support / Mental Wellness
- Q61H Preventing Fire Fighter & First Responder Suicide Summit
- Q61J HAYO (Hey Are You OK)
- Q61K Leadership and Resiliency
- Q61L CISM-Group Crisis and Individual Peer Support

Any additional training or courses must be submitted on a "Q" Course Application (Form BFS-201) to LARA-BFS-SMOKE@michigan.gov, two weeks prior to the next scheduled MFFTC meeting for consideration. If adopted by a motion at a MFFTC meeting the new "Q" Course will be added to the mental and behavior health approved course list. If you have any questions, please contact:

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Attachment: Mental and Behavioral Health District Map

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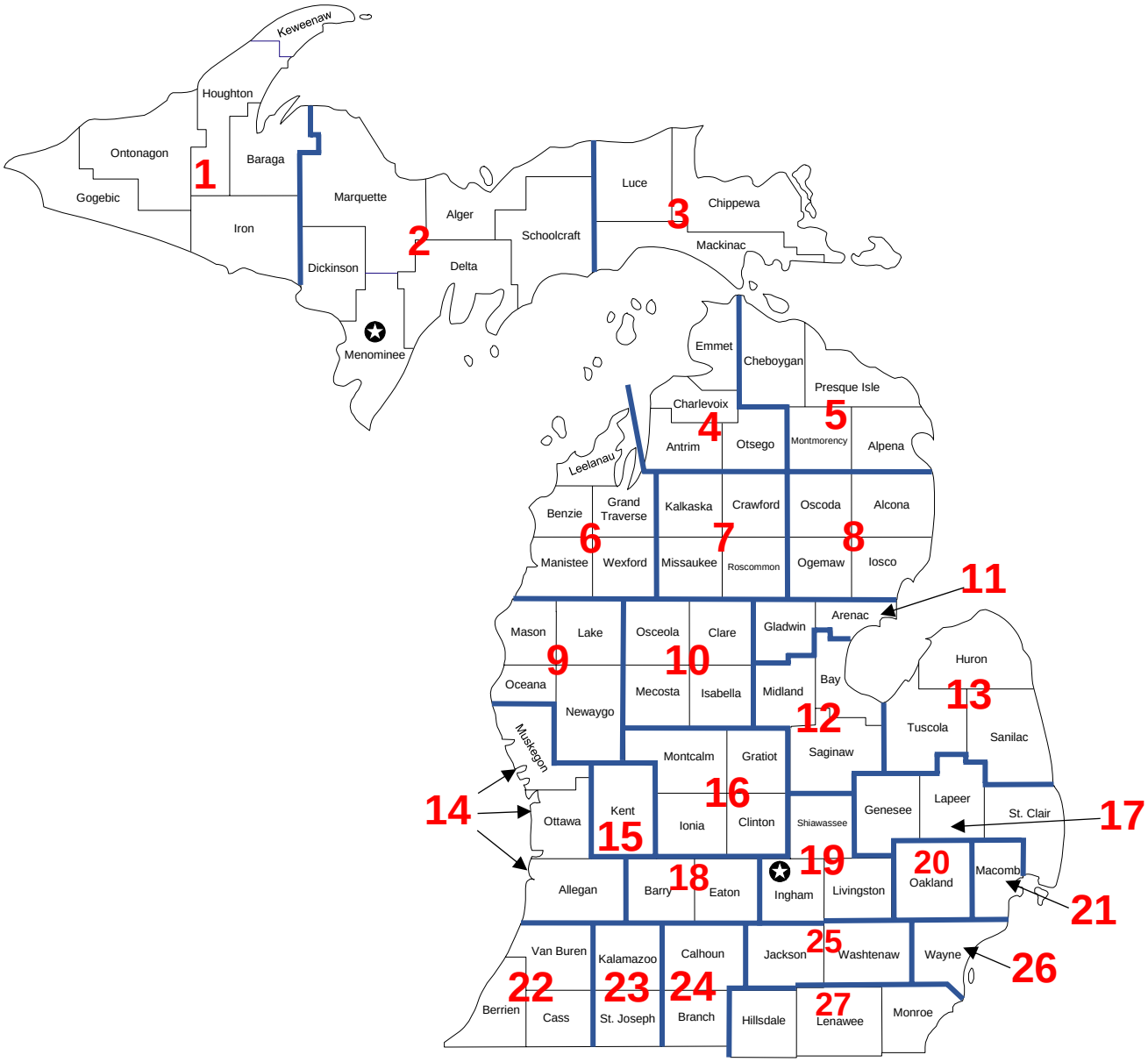
MENTAL AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DISTRICT MAP



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