File E-12

LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF DD/DEEPWOOD

BOARD POLICY

Reviewed and Adopted by the Board: Date: April 25, 2022

Signature on File Elfriede Roman, Superintendent

I. SUBJECT: EXTERNAL AUDIT AND INTERNAL CONTROLS

II. PURPOSE:

To outline the Board's position on fiscal controls for billing, receipts, expenditures, and financial reporting.

III. REFERENCES:

ORC 5126.05 County Board Powers and Duties

IV. POLICY: Internal Control and Audit Policy

A. <u>External Audits</u>

The Lake County Board of Developmental Disabilities/Deepwood (LCBDD/Deepwood) is included as a political subdivision in the State Auditor Office's annual audit of Lake County. The LCBDD/Deepwood is committed to complying with all rules and regulations governing its operation and cooperates fully in attempting to implement any audit recommendations. The LCBDD/Deepwood is subject to periodic audits of the annual cost report submitted to DODD. DODD determines which county boards will be selected for audit and the scope of the audit.

B. <u>Internal Controls</u>

- 1) The LCBDD/Deepwood takes seriously its responsibility to safeguard its assets and encourages the creation of internal control procedures that will provide assurances against misfeasance and malfeasance.
- 2) Numerous internal control procedures are in place to ensure protection of resources and to provide accountability in operations. The Whistle-Blower (Corporate Compliance Policy) also generates critical reviews of current practices to maintain adherence to the highest standards of performance.

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V. **DISTRIBUTION:**

Board Members All Management Staff All Staff (via Department Managers) LEADD President

VI. **REVIEWED**:

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