STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF CLAIMS

LENAWEE COUNTY MEDICAL CARE FACILITY, Plaintiff, v MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES and AMY EPKEY, in her official capacity as Director of Michigan Department of Health and Human Services, Defendants.	Court of Claims No. 26-000178-MZ HON. SIMA G. PATEL

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STIPULATED ORDER EXTENDING TIME TO ANSWER COMPLAINT OR FILE RESPONSIVE PLEADING

PRESENT: HON. SIMA G. PATEL
Court of Claims Judge

Plaintiff Lenawee County Medical Care Facility (LCMCF) and Defendants Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) and Amy Epkey, by and through counsel, respectfully submit this stipulated order extending time to

answer complaint or file responsive pleading. In support the Parties state as follows:

1. On August 21, 2026, LCMCF served its Complaint on counsel for MDHHS and Amy Epkey, in her official capacity as Director of MDHHS, who accepted service on the Defendants' behalf.
2. Due to several previously scheduled commitments and hearings, counsel for Defendants requested to be allowed until September 25, 2026, to answer or file a responsive pleading to LCMCF's Complaint.
3. LCMCF and Defendants stipulate to extend the deadline to respond to the Complaint until September 25, 2026.

IT IS ORDERED that Defendants Michigan Department of Health and Human Services and Amy Epkey, in her official capacity, shall have until September 25, 2026, to file an answer or other responsive pleading to Plaintiff's Complaint.

This is not a final order under MCR 2.602(A)(3) and that resolves the last pending claim and closes the case

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Court of Claims State of Michigan

Date: September 8, 2026

HON. SIGMA G. PATEL
Court of Claims Judge

Stipulated and agreed to by:

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Dated: September 8, 2026

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