



**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR**

**CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU**  
Governor

May 1, 2020

Lori Shibinette  
Commissioner  
New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services  
129 Pleasant Street  
Concord, N.H. 03301

Dear Commissioner Shibinette,

Pursuant to RSA 21-P:43; RSA 4:45; RSA 4:47; and Executive Order 2020-04 as extended by Executive Orders 2020-05 and 2020-08, I have approved your written request, in attachment, to take the following actions related to Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) funds:

1. Accept and expend \$46,875,000 from FEMA, in support of the COVID-19 response, budgeted consistent with the information in the request in attachment, and granting the Department the authority to transfer between the accounts noted in the attachment as well as into new accounts without further approval. Effective through June 30, 2020.
2. Transfer general fund appropriations of \$15,625,000 to cover the required FEMA state share match (25%), of action #1 and granting the Department the authority to transfer between the accounts noted in the attachment as well as into new accounts without further approval. Effective through June 30, 2020.

The Department of Administrative Services is authorized to take the actions necessary to effectuate this authorization.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chris T. Sununu".

Christopher T. Sununu  
Governor

CC Charles Arlinghaus, Commissioner, Department of Administrative Services



**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**  
**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**  
**FINANCIAL SERVICES**

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April 30, 2020

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu  
State House  
Concord, NH 03301

**REQUESTED ACTION UNDER RSA 21-P:43, RSA 4:45, RSA 4:47 AND EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-04  
AS EXTENDED BY 2020-05 AND 2020-08**

1. Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services to accept and expend \$46,875,000 from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) funding, in support of the COVID-19 response efforts. These initial appropriations will be budgeted as allocated below. They represent an anticipated 75% reimbursement from FEMA. Further, DHHS requests the ability to transfer between the accounts noted below and into new accounts, as needed, without further approval. Effective upon approval through June 30, 2020.

<b>95-19190000 COVID19 FEMA -DHHS</b>		<b>Budget Request</b>
00D – Federal Funds from Safety	488523	\$46,875,000
020 – Current Expense	500200	\$35,625,000
030 – Equipment	500301	\$ 1,875,000
103 – Contract for Op.Services	502507	\$ 9,375,000

2. Contingent upon approval of requested action #1, DHHS requests approval to transfer general fund appropriations of \$15,625,000 to cover the required FEMA state share match (25%) from the account noted below. Further, DHHS requests the ability to transfer between the accounts noted below and into new accounts, as needed, without further approval.

<b>FROM 95-5676 Business Operations</b>		<b>Budget Request (decrease)</b>
General Funds	488523	(\$15,625,000)
103 – Contract for Op.Services	502507	(\$15,625,000)

To 95-1919 COVID19 FEMA - DHHS		Budget Request
General Funds	488523	\$15,625,000
020 – Current Expense	500200	\$11,875,000
030 – Equipment	500301	\$ 625,000
103 – Contract for Op.Services	502507	\$ 3,125,000

### EXPLANATION

DHHS, as part of its role in the emergency life safety operations of COVID-19, has already purchased or committed goods and services. These goods and services related to PPE, such as masks, gloves, and face shields; supplies and services for surge sites; supplemental staffing; testing, and other COVID-19 related life safety expenses. This appropriation will be used by DHHS to backfill previously expensed and committed expenses, and anticipated future costs, to be incurred related to COVID-19 life safety measures, as appropriate and allowed by the FEMA grant.

Geographic area served: Statewide

Respectfully submitted,

  
 Lori A. Shibinette  
 Commissioner

*The Department of Health and Human Services' Mission is to join communities and families in providing opportunities for citizens to achieve health and independence.*