



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

CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU
Governor

May 28, 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, 2020-08, and 2020-09, I have approved your written request, in attachment, to take the following actions related to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency:

1. Accept and expend a grant in the amount of \$300,000 from the Federal Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations, Administration for Community Living, Special Programs for the Aging Title IV and Title II, to respond to the public health emergency as a result of the Novel Coronavirus 2019 outbreak, budgeted consistent with the information in the request in attachment, through June 30, 2021. (100% Federal Funds).

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 "Christopher T. Sununu".

Christopher T. Sununu
Governor

CC Charles Arlinghaus, Commissioner, Department of Administrative Services



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

DIVISION OF LONG TERM SUPPORTS AND SERVICES

Lori A. Shibinette
Commissioner

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May 26, 2020

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

**REQUESTED ACTION UNDER RSA 21-P:43; RSA 4:45; RSA 4:47; AND EXECUTIVE ORDER 2020-04,
AS EXTENDED BY EXECUTIVE ORDERS 2020-05, 2020-08 and 2020-09**

Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Long Term Supports and Services, Bureau of Elderly and Adult Services to accept and expend a grant in the amount of \$300,000 from the Federal Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations, Administration for Community Living, Special Programs for the Aging Title IV and Title II, to respond to the public health emergency as a result of the Novel Coronavirus 2019 outbreak effective upon approval through June 30, 2021. 100% Federal Funds.

Funds are to be budgeted in the Department of Health and Human Services, Division for Long Term Supports and Services, Bureau of Elderly and Adult Services accounts as follows:

**05-95-48-481010-2360, HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH AND HUMAN SVCS DEPT, HHS:
ELDERLY & ADULT SVCS DIV, GRANT FOR SOCIAL SVC PROG, NH NO WRONG DOOR BCP**

CLASS OBJ	CLASS TITLE	Current Modified Budget	Increase/ (Decrease) Amount	Revised Modified Budget
000-400146	Federal Funds	\$912,143	\$300,000	\$1,212,143
	General Fund	\$0		\$0
	Total Revenue	\$912,143	\$300,000	\$1,212,143
020-500200	Current Expenses	\$5,524	\$0	\$5,524
039-500188	Telecommunications	\$100	\$0	\$100
041-500801	Audit Set Aside	\$324	\$300	\$624
070-500704	In State Travel Reimbursement	\$2,982	\$0	\$2,982
072-509073	Grants - Federal	\$0	\$299,700	\$299,700
080-500713	Out of State Travel Reimbursement	\$2,472	\$0	\$2,472
102-500731	Contracts for Program Services	\$900,741	\$0	\$900,741
	Total Expense	\$912,143	\$300,000	\$1,212,143

EXPLANATION

This request is being made to accept additional grant funds available for SFY 2020-22 to administer the Federal Coronavirus Preparedness and Response Supplemental Appropriations, Administration for Community Living, Special Programs for the Aging, Title IV and Title II Discretionary Projects Grant funds. This funding will enable states to support Aging & Disability Resource Centers (ADRC's) in providing critical access functions to those populations most at risk of COVID-19 and mitigate adverse effects resulting from this national pandemic such as social isolation, limited access to nutritional supports and personal care services, etc. Additionally, funds would enable ADRCs (ServiceLink) to enhance and increase virtual access to services such as utilizing telehealth technologies to engage with health care practitioners and case managers.

Due to the crisis, these federal funds may be used by states with designated ADRCs (ServiceLink) to increase and enhance specific services/functions such as:

- E-initial assessment for social determinants of health, personal care, social isolation, and/or other health needs (e.g. standardized screenings or intake processes specific to tracking COVID-19 related information);
- State or local information and referral capacity (e.g., staffing, training, infrastructure);
- Virtual short and long-term care coordination;
- Tele-functional clinical assessments;
- Care transitions (hospital-to-home and nursing home-to-home) follow-up, including tele-care transition;
- Person-centered plan development; and
- Staff training and infrastructure specific to virtual and/or e-service assessments and delivery.

The Notice of Award was received on April 29, 2020.

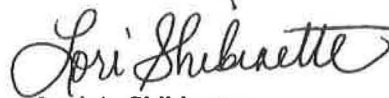
Funds are being budgeted in Grants - Federal (Class 072) and in Funds Audit costs (class 041) per state requirements.

Area served: Statewide.

Source of Funds: 100% Federal from the Administration for Community Living.

In the event that federal funds become no longer available, general funds will not be requested to support the program expenditures.

Respectfully submitted,



Lori A. Shibinette
Commissioner