

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

July 27, 2020

Gerald Little
Director
Governor's Office of Emergency Relief and Recovery
100 North Main Street, Suite 100
Concord, N.H. 03301

Dear Director Little,

Pursuant to my authority 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, 2020-09, 2020-10, 2020-14, and 2020-15 I have approved your written request, in attachment, to take the following actions related to the CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Funds:

- 1. Transfer \$50,000,000 in Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Funding, to the COVID-19 Emergency Healthcare System Relief Fund (EHSRF), to provide emergency relief to hospitals and other health care providers that are serving as an essential component of the State's healthcare system during the COVID-19 pandemic. Budgeted consistent with the information in the request in attachment, effective through December 30, 2020. (100% Federal Funds)
- 2. Authorize GOFERR to accept and expend \$50,000,000 for EHSRF, to provide emergency relief to hospitals and other health care providers, as established by Emergency Order #9, and as amended by Emergency Order #44. Budgeted consistent with the information in the request in attachment, effective through December 30, 2020. (100% Federal Funds)

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

Sincerely,

Christopher T. Sununu

Governor

CC Charles Arlinghaus, Commissioner, Department of Administrative Services

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

EMERGENCY RELIEF AND RECOVERY

July 23, 2020

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

REQUESTED ACTION 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, 2020-09, 2020-10, 2020-14, AND 2020-15 & EMERGENCY ORDER #44

Dear Governor Sununu,

1. The Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR), requests authority to transfer \$50,000,000 in Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Funding, to the COVID-19 Emergency Healthcare System Relief Fund (EHSRF), to provide emergency relief to hospitals and other health care providers that are serving as an essential component of the State's healthcare system during the COVID-19 pandemic, effective upon your approval through December 30, 2020. 100% Federal Funds.

Funds for the transfer payment are available in 01-02-002-020210 - Governor's Office for Emergency Relief & Recovery, 19110000 - Office of the Director, as follows:

085-588502 - Inter-Agency Transfer of Federal Funds

<u>FY 2021</u> \$50,000,000

2. Contingent on Requested Action #1, authorize GOFERR to accept and expend \$50,000,000 for EHSRF, to provide emergency relief to hospitals and other health care providers, as established by Emergency Order #9, and as amended by Emergency Order #44, effective upon your approval through December 30, 2020. 100% Federal Funds.

Funds will be budgeted as follows:

02-02-002-020210-19200000 HEALTHCARE RELIEF FUND-COVID19			
CLASS	ACCOUNT	BUDGET REQUEST	
072-GRANTS FEDERAL	500575	\$	50,000,000
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$	50,000,000
SOURCE OF FUNDS			
00D - Transfer of Federal Funds From Other State Agency	488502	\$	50,000,000
TOTAL FUNDS		\$	50,000,000

EXPLANATION

In response to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency, on March 19th, Governor Sununu issued Emergency Order #9, which established the COVID-19 Emergency Healthcare System Relief Fund EHSRF. The order created a \$50 million fund to provide emergency relief to hospitals and other health care providers that are serving as an essential component of the State's healthcare system during the COVID-19 state of emergency.

On May 18th, Governor Sununu issued Emergency Order #44, which amended Emergency Order # 9 by increasing the amount authorized for the EHSRF to disburse up to a total of \$100,000,000, provided that \$30,000,000 shall be designated for allocation to long-term care facilities due to the acute need within those facilities and provided that the payments from the Fund shall be an obligation of GOFERR from the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Funding to the maximum extent allowable.

GOFERR has disbursed the initial \$50 million authorized by Emergency Order #9, and is requesting authorization to accept and expend the remaining \$50 million, authorized by Emergency Order #44.

All CARES Act funds must be for allowable losses incurred by the recipients before December 30, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Doiron

Deputy Director, GOFERR