



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

**CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU**  
Governor

December 7, 2020

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

Dear Director Caswell,

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, 2020-15, 2020-16, 2020-17, 2020-18, 2020-20, 2020-21, and 2020-23 I have approved your written request, in attachment, to take the following actions related to the CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Funds:

1. Authority to transfer \$30,000,000 in Coronavirus Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Funding to the New Hampshire Employment Security (NHES) in support of COVID-19 Long Term Care Stabilization Program that was created by Emergency Order #31, as modified in Emergency Order #45, and extended in Emergency Order #55, and reactivated in Emergency Order #73. Effective through December 30, 2020. (100% Federal Funds)
2. Authority for NHES to accept and expend \$30,000,000 from the GOFERR in support of the COVID-19 Long Term Care Stabilization Program established by Emergency Order #31, as modified, extended and reactivated by Emergency Order #45, #55, and #73. 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  
George Copadis, Commissioner, New Hampshire Employment Security



# STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

for

EMERGENCY RELIEF AND RECOVERY

December 4, 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 EXECUTIVE ORDERS 2020-05, 2020-08, 2020-09, 2020-10, 2020-14, 2020-15, 2020-16, 2020-17, 2020-18, 2020-20, 2020-21, AND 2020-23 & EMERGENCY ORDER #31 AS MODIFIED BY EMERGENCY ORDERS #45 AND #55 AND REACTIVATED BY EMERGENCY ORDER #73**

Dear Governor Sununu,

1. The Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) request authority to transfer \$30,000,000 in Coronavirus Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act Funding to the New Hampshire Employment Security (NHES) in support of COVID-19 Long Term Care Stabilization Program that was created by Emergency Order #31, as modified in Emergency Order #45, and extended in Emergency Order #55, and reactivated in Emergency Order #73. Effective upon your through December 30, 2020. 100% Federal Funds

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

	<b><u>FY 2021</u></b>
085-588527 – Inter- Agency Transfer of Federal Funds	\$30,000,000

2. Contingent on Requested Action #1, authorize NHES to accept and expend \$30,000,000 from the GOFERR in support of the COVID-19 Long Term Care Stabilization Program established by Emergency Order #31, as modified, extended and reactivated by Emergency Order #45, #55, and #73. These appropriations will be budgeted as allocated below and will cover the period of eligibility of stipend amounts outlined the COVID-19 Long Term Care Stabilization Program. Effective upon your approval through December 30, 2020. 100% Federal Funds.

Funds will be budgeted in FY 2021 as follows:

<b>02-27-27-270010-19140000 COVID19 LTC STABILIZATION PRG</b>		
<b><u>Class</u></b>	<b><u>ACCOUNT</u></b>	<b><u>BUDGET REQUEST</u></b>
049 – TRANSFER TO OTHER AGENCY	584991	\$243,000
	584942	\$126,000
	584943	\$496,000
102 – CONTRACTS FOR PROGRAM SERVICES	500731	\$29,135,000
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES:</b>		<b>\$30,000,000</b>
<b><u>SOURCE OF FUNDS</u></b>		
00D-488502 – Transfer of Federal Funds	488502	\$30,000,000
<b>TOTAL FUNDS:</b>		<b>\$30,000,000</b>

### EXPLANATION

In response to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency, on April 16, 2020, Governor Sununu issued Emergency Order #31 which established the COVID-19 Long Term Care Stabilization (LTCS) Program. The LTCS Program was to help stabilize the front line work not able to be conducted remotely by certain qualifying Medicaid providers. This program was modified by Emergency Order #45 on May 18, 2020 and extended by Emergency Order #55 on June 25, 2020, and reactivated on November 16, 2020 by Emergency Order #73.

Due to recent rise in COVID-19 cases in New Hampshire the program which includes providers that support aging seniors and people with developmental disabilities, as well as individual with mental health and substance abuse disorders, youth residential treatment providers, and developmental disability service providers who provide residential or community/home-based care. The program provides temporary stabilization funding to incentivize front line, direct care workers to remain or rejoin providers who support some of New Hampshire's most vulnerable person are able to provide continued services throughout the COVID-19 Emergency. Under the program, qualifying full-time front line employees will received \$300 per week and qualifying part-time front line employees will receive \$150 per week.

All CARES Act funds must be spent by the recipient by December 30, 2020.

Respectfully submitted,



Lisa English  
Deputy Director, GOFERR