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

REQUESTED ACTION

1) Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services, New Hampshire Hospital, to enter into a **Retroactive, Sole Source** contract with Harvey Construction Corporation (VC#157224), Bedford, New Hampshire in the amount of \$882,078 for the replacement of corridor flooring on patient units at New Hampshire Hospital effective March 10, 2021, upon Governor approval, through June 30, 2021. 100% Federal Funds – CARES Hospital Provider Relief Funds.

2) Upon approval of request 1) above, authorize an immediate payment in the amount of \$294,026 to Harvey Construction Corporation for reimbursement of materials ordered, effective upon Governor approval.

Funds are available in the following account for State Fiscal Year 2021, with the authority to adjust budget line items within the price limitation through the Budget Office, if needed and justified.

05-95-940010-9400-1902-048-500226, HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH AND HUMAN SVCS DEPT OF, NEW HAMPSHIRE HOSPITAL, CARES HOSPITAL PROVIDER RELIEF.

State Fiscal Year	Class / Account	Class Title	Job Number	Total Amount
2021	048-500226	Contractual Maint-Build	94094050	\$882,078
			Total	\$882,078

EXPLANATION

This request is **Retroactive** because the Contractor started work on March 10, 2020, to ensure all services could be completed no later than June 30, 2021. This request is **Sole Source** because the Department, in the interest of the public's health and safety, identified vendors with capacity to quickly respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Department consulted with three statewide contracted vendors; each indicated they would not be able to accommodate the request within the requisite timeframe. Consequently, the Department of Administrative Services provided the Department with a waiver for this contract because the Contractor could provide the materials and services before June 30, 2021.

The Department needs to replace carpeted surfaces that harbor viruses, mold, dust and other contaminants with durable hospital grade flooring that meets infection control standards, improves infection prevention control measures, and permits extensive cleaning. The CARES Provider Relief Funds were paid directly to NH Hospital from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to reimburse eligible healthcare providers for healthcare related expenses attributable to COVID-19. Making facility improvements to meet new infection controls standards is an appropriate use of these funds.

The Contractor will be replacing existing carpeting in the corridors on patient units at New Hampshire Hospital with durable hospital-grade flooring that will improved indoor air quality. The hospital-grade flooring meets behavioral health guidelines for flooring in a psychiatric hospital setting and also reduces risk of hazards including trips and falls. The Contractor will use high moisture adhesives and conduct moisture testing.

The Department will monitor contracted services and ensure flooring and installation meet the Joint Commission recommendations for flooring in psychiatric care settings based on specifications found in the Facilities Guidelines Institute: Behavioral Health Design Guide, Edition 9.0.

Should the Governor and Council not authorize this request, the Hospital will not be able to upgrade the 20+ year old carpeting that currently harbors contaminants and the funds available for this project will need to be returned to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

Area served: New Hampshire Hospital

Source of Funds: CFDA #93.948, CARES Hospital Provider Relief Funds

Respectfully submitted,



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I hereby approve this request pursuant to RSA 4:45, RSA 21-P:43, and Section 4 of 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, 2020-23, 2020-24, 2020-25, 2021-01, 2021-02, and 2021-04, and suspend the Manual of Procedures 150, V., A., 3 requirement.

3-15-21

Date



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