



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

CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU
Governor

March 19, 2021

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

Dear Commissioner Shibinette,

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, 2020-23, 2020-24, 2020-25, 2021-01, 2021-02, and 2021-04 I have approved your written request, in attachment, to take the following actions related to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency:

1. Authority for the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Division of Public Health Services, Bureau of Infectious Disease Control to accept and expend federal funds from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), in the amount of \$11,106,000, to fund the Immunization Program. Budgeted consistent with the information in the request in attachment, effective 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



Lori Shlobinette
Commissioner

Lisa M. Morris
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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
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March 16, 2021

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, 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 AND 2021-02**

Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health Services, Bureau of Infectious Disease Control, to accept and expend federal funds in the amount of \$11,106,000 from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to fund the Immunization Program effective upon date of your approval through June 30, 2021, and further authorize the funds to be allocated as follows: 100% Federal Funds.

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SFY2021 Class/Object	Class Title	Current Authorized Budget	This Request	Adjusted Budget
Revenue				
000-404706	Federal Funds	\$ -	\$ 11,106,000	\$ 11,106,000
	General Funds	\$ -		\$ -
Total Revenue:		\$ -	\$ 11,106,000	\$ 11,106,000
Expense				
018-500106	Overtime	\$ -	\$ 400,000	\$ 400,000
020-500200	Current Expenses	\$ -	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000
030-500302	Equipment	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
037-500173	Technology-Hardware	\$ -	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
038-500175	Technology-Software	\$ -	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000
039-500188	Telecommunications	\$ -	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000
041-500801	Audit Fund Set Aside	\$ -	\$ 11,106	\$ 11,106
042-500620	Post Retirements Benefits	\$ -	\$ 20,000	\$ 20,000
050-500109	Personal Service - Temp	\$ -	\$ 400,000	\$ 400,000
059-500117	Temp Full Time	\$ -	\$ 240,000	\$ 240,000
060-500601	Benefits	\$ -	\$ 300,000	\$ 300,000
070-500704	In State Travel Reimb	\$ -	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
102-500731	Contracts for Program Services	\$ -	\$ 9,117,894	\$ 9,117,894
Total Expense:		\$ -	\$ 11,106,000	\$ 11,106,000

EXPLANATION

On January 15, 2021, an award was made to the State by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The purpose of the award is to support program needs to focus on work for Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) vaccination planning and implementation. It will be instrumental in the development of state-wide plans with key partners for the distribution and administration of anticipated SARS-CoV-2 vaccine(s).

The funds are to be budgeted as follows:

- Class 018 The funds will be used to pay overtime expense for COVID-19 response including the 211 call center.
- Class 020 The funds will be used to purchase miscellaneous supplies needed at vaccine sites.
- Class 030 The funds will be used to purchase equipment needed in vaccine response.
- Class 037 The funds will be used to purchase needed software for vaccine tracking.
- Class 039 The funds will be used to pay for cellular phones needed in the vaccine response.
- Class 041 The funds will be used to pay for audit fund set aside.
- Class 042 The funds will be used to pay for additional fringe benefits as required.
- Class 050 The funds will be used to transfer call center expenses for DHHS full time employees into this funding source for a temporary period of time.
- Class 059 The funds will be used to continue two new positions, requested in a prior accept and expend request.

Class 060 The funds will be used to pay for benefits.
Class 070 The funds will be used to pay in state travel for vaccine response.
Class 102 The funds will be used to pay for contracts for vaccine response.

In response to the anticipated two-part question, "Can these funds be used to offset General Funds?" and "What is the compelling reason for not offsetting General Funds?" the Division offers the following information: These funds may not be used to offset General Funds as they are specifically granted to the State for the purpose of providing the services described above.

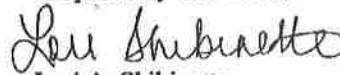
These funds will not change the program eligibility levels. No new program will be established with the acceptance of these funds.

Area served: Statewide

Source of Funds: 100% Federal Funds from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The notice of supplemental funds awarded was received January 15, 2021. They were not added to the operating budget because these are new funds recently granted to the State to assist in the public health Coronavirus response and were not anticipated at the time the budget was developed.

If Federal Funds become no longer available, General Funds will not be requested to support the program expenditures.

Respectfully submitted,



Lori A. Shabinette
Commissioner