



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

CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU
Governor

April 21, 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, 2021-04, 2021-05, and 2021-06 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) to accept and expend federal funds from the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), in the amount of \$34,580,348. 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,

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Christopher T. Sununu
Governor

CC Charles Arlinghaus, Commissioner, Department of Administrative Services



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
DIVISION OF FINANCE AND PROCUREMENT

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April 8, 2021

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 ORDER 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, 2021-04 AND 2021-05**

Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services to accept and expend additional federal funds from the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), in the amount of \$34,580,348 effective upon the date of your approval through June 30, 2021. 100% Federal Funds.

Funds are to be budgeted in accounts as follows:

05-95-42-421010-29580000 HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH AND HUMAN SVCS DEPT OF, HHS: HUMAN SERVICES, CHILD PROTECTION, CHILD – FAMILY SERVICES

CLASS OBJ	CLASS TITLE	Current Modified Budget	Increase/ (Decrease) Amount	Revised Modified Budget
000-404230	Federal Funds	\$40,142,548	\$957,663	\$41,100,211
007-407139	Other Funds	\$0		\$0
	General Fund	\$58,456,722		\$58,456,722
	Total Revenue	\$98,599,270	\$957,663	\$99,556,933
020-500200	Current Expenses	\$36,879		\$36,879
041-500801	Audit Fund Set Aside	\$50,171	\$957	\$51,128
049-584902	Transfer to Other State Agencies	\$285,062		\$285,062
101-500729	Medical Payments to Providers	\$672		\$672
102-506223	Contracts for Program Services	\$5,919,410		\$5,919,410
103-506224	Contracts for Operational Services	\$480,000		\$480,000
108-500751	Provider Payments-Legal Services	\$122,476		\$122,476
533-500373	Foster Care Services	\$2,614		\$2,614
535-500376	Out of Home Placements	\$30,799,960	\$618,759	\$31,418,719
550-500398	Assessment and Counseling	\$2,192		\$2,192
563-500915	Community Based Services	\$17,196,505	\$337,947	\$17,534,452
636-504180	Title IV-E Foster Care Placement	\$9,836,898		\$9,836,898
637-504180	Title IV-E Foster Care Service	\$955,186		\$955,186

638-504181	Title IV-E Foster Care Other	\$257,574		\$257,574
639-504184	Title IV-A/TANF Emergency Assistance Placement	\$5,599,065		\$5,599,065
640-504185	Title IV-A/TANF Emergency Assistance Service	\$1,160,923		\$1,160,923
642-504187	TANF MOE	\$870,539		\$870,539
643-504191	State General Funds for Placement	\$10,917,000		\$10,917,000
644-504195	State General Funds for Services	\$5,135,584		\$5,135,584
645-504004	State General Funds for Other	\$2,780,838		\$2,780,838
646-504006	Title IV-E Adoption Placement	\$6,033,247		\$6,033,247
647-504007	Title IV-E Adoption Services	\$14,877		\$14,877
648-504015	Title IV-E Adoption Admin Only	\$141,598		\$141,598
	Total Expense	\$98,599,270	\$957,663	\$99,556,933

**05-95-47-470010-7051, HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH AND HUMAN SVCS DEPT OF
 HHS: OFC MEDICAID SERVICES, OFC OF MEDICAID SERVICES, CHILD HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM**

CLASS OBJ	CLASS TITLE	Current Modified Budget	Increase / (Decrease) Amount	Revised Modified Budget
000-403978	Federal Funds	\$53,405,178	\$638,221	\$54,043,399
	General Fund	\$23,928,670		\$23,928,670
	Total Revenue	\$77,333,848	\$638,221	\$77,972,069
041-500801	Audit Set Aside	\$74,999	\$638	\$75,637
101-500729	Medical Payments to Providers	\$77,258,849	\$637,583	\$77,896,433
	Total Expense	\$77,333,848	\$638,221	\$77,972,069

**05-95-47-470010-7948, HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH AND HUMAN SVCS DEPT OF
 HHS: OFC MEDICAID SERVICES, OFC OF MEDICAID SERVICES, MEDICAID CARE MANAGEMENT**

CLASS OBJ	CLASS TITLE	Current Modified Budget	Increase / (Decrease) Amount	Revised Modified Budget
000-403978	Federal Funds	\$426,876,604	\$17,217,856	\$444,094,460
005-402201	Agency Income: Medicaid Enhancement - Local	\$147,520,000		\$147,520,000
007-407145	Agency Income Drug Rebates	\$29,153,034		\$29,153,034
009-406848	Agency Income MEAD	\$188		\$188
009-405615	Agency - MCO Liquid Damages	\$0		\$0
	General Fund	\$200,695,241		\$200,695,241
	Total Revenue	\$804,245,067	\$17,217,856	\$821,462,923
041-500801	Audit Set Aside	\$489,381	\$17,201	\$506,582
101-500729	Medical Payments to Providers	\$803,755,686	\$17,200,655	\$820,956,341
	Total Expense	\$804,245,067	\$17,217,856	\$821,462,923

05-95-48-482010-2152, HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH AND HUMAN SVCS DEPT, HHS: ELDERLY & ADULT SVCS DIV, WAIVER AND NURSING FACILITIES, WAIVER/NF PMTS-COUNTY PARTIC

CLASS OBJ	CLASS TITLE	Current Modified Budget	Increase (Decrease) Amount	Revised Modified Budget
000-404362	Federal Funds	\$159,217,569	\$6,148,284	\$165,365,853
005-403011	Private Local Funds	\$121,250,958	\$0	\$121,250,958
	General Fund	\$25,603,014	\$0	\$25,603,014
	Total Revenue	\$306,071,541	\$6,148,284	\$312,219,825
041-500801	Audit Set Aside	\$148,800	\$6,148	\$154,948
502-500891	Payments to Providers	\$3,011,457	\$0	\$3,011,457
504-500893	Nursing Home Payments	\$221,114,690	\$4,591,006	\$225,705,696
505-500894	Mid Level Care Expenses	\$13,734,426	\$226,773	\$13,961,199
506-500895	Home Support Waiver Services	\$59,887,454	\$1,117,987	\$61,005,441
529-500370	Home Health Care Waiver Services	\$8,174,714	\$206,370	\$8,381,084
	Total Expense	\$306,071,541	\$6,148,284	\$312,219,825

05-95-48-482010-2154, HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH AND HUMAN SVCS DEPT, HHS: ELDERLY & ADULT SVCS DIV, WAIVER AND NURSING FACILITIES, NURSING SERVICES

CLASS OBJ	CLASS TITLE	Current Modified Budget	Increase (Decrease) Amount	Revised Modified Budget
000-404362	Federal Funds	\$10,412,781	\$98,641	\$10,511,422
	General Fund	\$8,762,411	\$0	\$8,762,411
	Total Revenue	\$19,175,192	\$98,641	\$19,273,833
041-500801	Audit Set Aside	\$8,564	\$99	\$8,663
101-500729	Medical Payments to Providers	\$9,596,088	\$26,087	\$9,622,175
504-500893	Nursing Home Payments	\$4,267,541	\$0	\$4,267,541
509-500897	Home Health Care Waiver Services	\$5,302,999	\$72,455	\$5,375,454
	Total Expense	\$19,175,192	\$98,641	\$19,273,833

05-95-48-482010-2157, HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH AND HUMAN SVCS DEPT, HHS: ELDERLY & ADULT SVCS DIV, WAIVER AND NURSING FACILITIES, MQIP PAYMENTS

CLASS OBJ	CLASS TITLE	Current Modified Budget	Increase (Decrease) Amount	Revised Modified Budget
000-404362	Federal Funds	\$53,855,080	\$1,261,417	\$55,116,497
007-402241	Agency Income	\$49,477,093	\$0	\$49,477,093
	Total Revenue	\$103,332,173	\$1,261,417	\$104,593,590
041-500801	Audit Set Aside	\$44,056	\$1,261	\$45,317
516-500358	Medicaid Quality incentive	\$103,288,117	\$1,260,156	\$104,548,273
	Total Expense	\$103,332,173	\$1,261,417	\$104,593,590

05-95-92-920010-7155, HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH AND HUMAN SVCS DEPT, HHS: BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIV, DIV BEHAVIORAL HLTH OPERATIONS, MEDICAID PAYMENTS NHH & GH

CLASS OBJ	CLASS TITLE	Current Modified Budget	Increase (Decrease) Amount	Revised Modified Budget
000-404663	Federal Funds	\$8,773,236	\$556,479	\$9,329,715
	General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Total Revenue	\$8,773,236	\$556,479	\$9,329,715
041-500801	Audit Set Aside	\$8,775	\$556	\$9,331
510-500898	Medicaid to Institutions	\$8,764,461	\$555,923	\$9,320,384
	Total Expense	\$8,773,236	\$556,479	\$9,329,715

05-95-93-930010-7014, HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH AND HUMAN SVCS DEPT, HHS: DEVELOPMENTAL SVCS DIV, DIV OF DEVELOPMENTAL SVCS, EARLY INTERVENTION

CLASS OBJ	CLASS TITLE	Current Modified Budget	Increase (Decrease) Amount	Revised Modified Budget
000-406738	Federal Funds	\$5,122,959	\$159,173	\$5,282,132
	General Fund	\$7,671,579	\$0	\$7,671,579
	Total Revenue	\$12,794,538	\$159,173	\$12,953,711
041-500801	Audit Set Aside	\$5,371	\$159	\$5,530
102-500731	Contracts for Program Services	\$2,983,498	\$0	\$2,983,498
502-500891	Payments to Providers	\$9,805,669	\$159,014	\$9,964,683
	Total Expense	\$12,794,538	\$159,173	\$12,953,711

05-95-93-930010-7016, HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH AND HUMAN SVCS DEPT, HHS: DEVELOPMENTAL SVCS DIV, DIV OF DEVELOPMENTAL SVCS, ACQUIRED BRAIN DISORDER SERVICES

CLASS OBJ	CLASS TITLE	Current Modified Budget	Increase (Decrease) Amount	Revised Modified Budget
000-406739	Federal Funds	\$17,496,515	\$535,003	\$18,031,518
	General Fund	\$16,710,433	\$0	\$16,710,433
	Total Revenue	\$34,206,948	\$535,003	\$34,741,951
041-500801	Audit Set Aside	\$20,058	\$535	\$20,593
102-500731	Contracts for Program Services	\$986,228	\$0	\$986,228
502-500891	Payments to Providers	\$33,200,662	\$534,468	\$33,735,130
	Total Expense	\$34,206,948	\$535,003	\$34,741,951

**05-95-93-930010-7100, HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH AND HUMAN SVCS DEPT,
 HHS: DEVELOPMENTAL SVCS DIV, DIV OF DEVELOPMENTAL SVCS, DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES**

CLASS OBJ	CLASS TITLE	Current Modified Budget	Increase (Decrease) Amount	Revised Modified Budget
000-403793	Federal Funds	\$193,717,513	\$6,885,321	\$200,602,834
	General Fund	\$182,009,074	\$0	\$182,009,074
	Total Revenue	\$375,726,587	\$6,885,321	\$382,611,908
041-500801	Audit Set Aside	\$208,331	\$6,885	\$215,216
102-500731	Contracts for Program Services	\$2,000,365	\$0	\$2,000,365
502-500891	Payments to Providers	\$373,517,891	\$6,878,436	\$380,396,327
	Total Expense	\$375,726,587	\$6,885,321	\$382,611,908

**05-95-93-930010-7110, HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH AND HUMAN SVCS DEPT,
 HHS: DEVELOPMENTAL SVCS DIV, DIV OF DEVELOPMENTAL SVCS, CHILDREN IHS WAIVER**

CLASS OBJ	CLASS TITLE	Current Modified Budget	Increase (Decrease) Amount	Revised Modified Budget
000-404669	Federal Funds	\$5,070,583	\$122,290	\$5,192,873
	General Fund	\$4,775,411	\$0	\$4,775,411
	Total Revenue	\$9,845,994	\$122,290	\$9,968,284
041-500801	Audit Set Aside	\$5,317	\$122	\$5,439
502-500891	Payments to Providers	\$9,840,677	\$122,168	\$9,962,845
	Total Expense	\$9,845,994	\$122,290	\$9,968,284

EXPLANATION

The public health emergency for COVID-19 was declared by the Secretary of Health and Human Services on January 31, 2020. Section 6008(a) of the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA) provides a temporary 6.2 percentage point increase to the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) under section 1905(b) of the Social Security Act effective beginning January 1, 2020 and is available for each calendar quarter during the public health emergency, through the end of the quarter in which the public health emergency including any extensions, ends.

The Department is requesting to accept and expend the federal matching dollars to support anticipated costs of the increase in Medicaid caseload resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic. Health Management Associates (HMA), a national healthcare research and consulting firm, estimated the impact of the COVID-19 related economic downturn could result in an increase to New Hampshire's Medicaid caseload from 43,000 to 105,000 members.

NH Medicaid caseload has increased by 40,033 or 22.6% for the period of March 16, 2020 through March 29, 2021.

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
April 8, 2021
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Respectfully submitted,

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Lori A. Shibinette
Commissioner

*The Department of Health and Human Services' Mission is to join communities and families
in providing opportunities for citizens to achieve health and independence.*