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## State of New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services NEW HAMPSHIRE HOSPITAL

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November 28, 2016

Her Excellency, Governor Margaret Wood Hassan and the Honorable Council State House Concord, New Hampshire 03301

## REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Health & Human Services, New Hampshire Hospital to accept and expend \$10,000 in additional trust fund proceeds for the purpose of increasing support of nursing education effective upon date of Governor & Council approval through June 30, 2017.

Funds are to be budgeted in the account titled:

05-095-094-940010-71300000

DHHS-New Hampshire Hospital - Nursing Education Fund

Class	Class/ Organization Title	SFY17	Change	Total
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005-404109	Agency Income-Trust Funds	\$(20,000)	\$(10,000)	\$(30,000)
054-500527	Trust Fund Expenditures	\$ 20,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 30,000

## **EXPLANATION**

These funds will be used to provide education-funding assistance to nurses to better serve the needs of the Hospital population. Educational assistance for nursing was established based upon a bequest for this specific purpose. New Hampshire Hospital has found the market place for qualified nursing staff to be very challenging as most hospitals offer a hiring package that is far more lucrative to attracting and retaining nursing staff.

The use of all trust funds is subject to review and approval by the NH Hospital Trust Fund Committee, comprised of NH Hospital and Treasury Department staff, to ensure funds are used in accordance with donor restrictions. All funds are deposited at the Citizens Bank into an existing checking account for the designated purpose.

The NH Hospital Trust Fund is a fund from which earned interest and dividends are expended to support a variety of patient care services. The fund is comprised of specific donations of principal as well as accumulated earnings on that principal. The fund is not supported by general funds nor are funds allowed to be deposited into the general fund due to the specific and restricted use of donated funds.

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Your favorable consideration of this request would be greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

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