



NEW HAMPSHIRE
COUNCIL ON
DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

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September 17, 2019
His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, NH 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

For inclusion on the Governor and Council Consent Calendar, pursuant to MOP 1200, I. D., authorize the New Hampshire Council on Developmental Disabilities to pay the National Association of Councils on Developmental Disabilities (NACDD) (VC# 164860), 1825 K Street, NW, Suite 600, Washington, DC 2006, in the amount of \$4422.00 for Fiscal year 2020 membership dues effective upon Governor and Council approval through September 30, 2020. The source of funds is 100% federal.

Funding to support this request are anticipated to be available in the following account for State Fiscal Years 2020 upon the availability and continued appropriation of funds in the future operating budget:

01-97-97-970010-71350000 – Developmental Disabilities Council

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| | <u>FY2020</u> |
| Class 026-500251 Membership Dues | \$4422.00 |

EXPLANATION

The New Hampshire Council on Developmental Disabilities was established in 1971, pursuant to the federal Developmental Disabilities Act (DD Act) of 1970. Councils are located in every State and Territory and represent a Federal-State partnership to expand opportunities and improve the quality of life of people with developmental disabilities and their families. The NH Council is a member of the National Association of Councils on Developmental Disabilities (NACDD) headquartered in Washington, DC. The Councils in 54 states and territories are organized under the umbrella of the NACDD, which provides technical assistance to states relative to federal compliance and sharing of model practices. As a condition of membership, each state is required to pay annual organizational dues. The NH Council has been a member for many years and included this expense in its budget approved by the legislature.

Councils are charged by Federal law to identify the most pressing needs of people with developmental disabilities in their State or Territory and to develop innovative and cost effective

strategies to meet those needs. Councils work to promote the independence and productivity of people with developmental disabilities and promote systems change that will eliminate obvious inequities in areas such as employment, education, and access to healthcare.

Attached are the standard questions and answers required for organizational membership. Please contact me if you have questions about this request.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Isadora Rodriguez-Legendre', written in a cursive style.

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INVOICE

BILL TO

New Hampshire DD Council
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INVOICE # FY20- NH
DATE 09/10/2019

| ACTIVITY | QTY | RATE | AMOUNT |
|---|-----|----------|----------|
| FY20 Dues FY20 NACDD Dues- New Hampshire | 1 | 4,422.00 | 4,422.00 |

The mission of NACDD is to provide support and assistance to
member Councils in order to promote a consumer and family centered
system of services and supports.

BALANCE DUE

\$4,422.00

Organizational Dues and Memberships

Listed below are answers to standard questions required for Governor and Council organization dues and membership approval submissions:

1. How long has this organization been in existence and how long has this agency been a member of this organization?

The National Association of Councils on Developmental Disabilities (NACDD) was formed in 2002. The NH Council has been a member since its creation, and prior to that was a member of an organization of a different name that preceded it and provided similar services.

2. Is there any other organization which provides the same or similar benefits which your agency belongs to?

The Council does not belong to another organization providing the same or similar services.

3. How many other states belonging to this organization and is your agency the sole New Hampshire state agency that is a member?

Fifty four (54) States and territories belong to the organization. The Council is the sole State agency in New Hampshire belonging to this organization.

4. How is the dues structure established? (Standard fee for all states, based on population, based on other criteria, etc)

NACDD determines the dues amount based on a percentage of each state's federal allotments. Allotments are based on population.

5. What benefit does the state receive from participating in this membership?

The NACDD administers Technical Assistance to Councils and provides Councils a platform to share information on best practices and model programs. The NACDD also plays an important role in alerting State Councils on emerging federal issues impacting people with developmental issues and important national trends.

6. Are training or educational / research materials included in the membership? If so, is the cost included? Explain in detail.

Yes, training, educational and research materials are included in the cost of membership

7. Is the membership required to receive any federal grants or required in order to receive or participate in licensing or certification exams? Explain.

Membership is not required to receive federal grants, however grant and other important information is often disseminated through the NACDD.

8. Is there any travel included with this membership fee? Explain in detail any travel to include the number of employees involved, the number of trips, destination if known and purposes of membership supported trips.

Travel by Council members and staff is not included, however NACDD staff will provide technical assistance visits to New Hampshire upon request, at no cost to the Council.

9. Which state agency employees are directly involved with this organization? (Indicate if they are members, voting members, committee members, and/or officers of the organization.

There is one vote per Council on Association matters (usually the Executive Director or Chairperson).

10. Explain in detail any negative impact to the State if the Agency did not belong to this organization.

If NH did not belong to the NACDD, there would result a loss of critical technical assistance that NH relies on for federal compliance that is not available through any other source. The federal government has recently increased requirements for reporting and program evaluation using sophisticated new tools, and NACDD provides detailed instructions and training to states on implementation. The NACDD establishes a forum and platform through which the best practices in the country are shared and can be replicated, and a forum for states to share their experiences and assist one another. If NH did not belong to the NACDD, it would be the only state in the country that is not a member, it would be extremely isolated and its programs would suffer as it would not longer have access to the latest knowledge and best practices from around the country.

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