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The Honorable Mary Jane Wallner, Chairman
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His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and the Honorable Council
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INFORMATIONAL ITEM

Pursuant to 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 and 2020-10, Governor Sununu has authorized 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 \$308,085 effective through June 30, 2021. 100% Federal Funds.

05-95-47-470010-5201, HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH AND HUMAN SVCS DEPT OF
HHS: OFC MEDICAID SERVICES, OFC OF MEDICAID SERVICES, IDN FUND

CLASS OBJ	CLASS TITLE	Current Modified Budget	Increase / (Decrease) Amount	Revised Modified Budget
000-401861	Federal Funds	\$17,086,217	\$308,085	\$17,394,302
005-402172	Private Local - County	\$10,000,000		\$10,000,000
009-407079	Agency income	\$0		\$0
	General Funds	\$7,069,045		\$7,069,045
	Total Revenue	\$34,155,262	\$308,085	\$34,463,347
041-500801	Audit Set Aside	\$17,172	\$308	\$17,480
102-500731	Contracts for Program Services	\$34,138,090	\$307,777	\$34,445,867
	Total Expense	\$34,155,262	\$308,085	\$34,463,347

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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 related economic downturn could result in an increase to New Hampshire's Medicaid caseload from 43,000 to 105,000 increased members.

Geographic area served: Statewide

Respectfully submitted,


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