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EMERGENCY RELIEF AND RECOVERY

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April 4, 2022

The Honorable Karen Umberger, Chairman
Fiscal Committee of the General Court
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
And the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to RSA 14:30-a, VI, authorize the Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) to accept and expend funds in the amount of \$2,616,266 from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) State Fiscal Recovery Funds (SFRF) to fund expansion of the Community College System of New Hampshire (CCSNH) Licensed Practitioner Nurse (LPN) program upon approvals of the Fiscal Committee and Governor and Executive Council through June 30, 2023. This is an allowable use of ARPA SFRF funds under Section 602 (c)(1)(A) to respond to the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts.
100% Federal Funds.

Funds are to be budgeted in FY2022 in the following account:

01-02-002-020210-24690000 ¹ ARP GRANTS AND DISBURSEMENTS		<u>FY2022</u>	<u>FY2022</u>	<u>FY2022</u>
CLASS	<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>CURRENT MODIFIED BUDGET</u>	<u>BUDGET REQUEST</u>	<u>REVISED BUDGET</u>
EXPENDITURES				
040 – Indirect Costs	501587	\$730,250	\$2,500	\$732,750
041 – Audit Fund Set Aside	500801	\$128,037	\$2,062	\$130,099
042 - Additional Fringe Benefits	500620	\$60,500	\$0	\$60,500
072 – Grants Federal	500575	\$68,487,923	\$2,611,704	\$71,099,627
085 - Interagency Xfr Out of Fed Fn	588502	\$960,000	\$0	\$960,000
103 - Contracts for Op Services	502664	\$3,500,000	\$0	\$3,500,000
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$73,866,710	\$2,616,266	\$76,482,976

¹ All direct program costs will be accounted for using activity 00FRF602PH0219A and all administrative and indirect costs will be accounted for using activity 00FRF602PH0219Z. Accounting classifications may be subject to technical changes at the discretion of the Department of Administrative Services' Division of Accounting Services.

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<u>SOURCE OF FUNDS</u>				
000 – Federal Funds	400338	\$73,866,710	\$2,616,266	\$76,482,976
TOTAL REVENUE		\$73,866,710	\$2,616,266	\$76,482,976

EXPLANATION

This proposal is to help build up the State's LPN workforce to meet critical needs in hospitals, long-term care facilities, and other healthcare providers impacted by COVID-19 by investing in doubling the LPN training program capacity and expanding CCSNH training sites across New Hampshire. The program expansion will leverage the already developed CCSNH curriculum, facilities, and equipment and would take place over a three year, academic cycle, beginning with the fall 2022 semester and running through the spring 2025

The LPN program is an important mechanism to expand the pathways to an RN degree, with graduates of the LPN program eligible to enter RN programs with third semester standing (out of four total semesters for the RN program). This investment could result in producing approximately 100 highly qualified LPNs each year to enter the state's healthcare workforce.

CCSNH campuses around the State have continued working together to grow the program and help meet an acute need in the workforce, creating successful programs enrolling cohorts of students who graduate prepared to join our state's nursing workforce, serving as LPNs in our local/community hospitals and other healthcare facilities and positioning themselves for career advancement in nursing.

Funds are being budgeted in the classes listed below as follows:

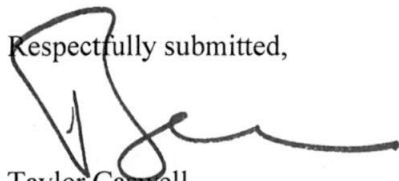
Class 040 – Indirect Costs to recover, per by RSA 21-I:75, a proportional share of the outside funding source to alleviate agency indirect costs.

Class 041 – Audit Fund Set Aside to comply with RSA 124:16 that requires all agencies that receive federal funds to set aside a percentage (0.1%) of the federal revenue amount received to pay for financial and compliance audits.

Class 072 – Grants Federal subaward to CCSNH for expansion of the LPN Program.

In the event that Federal Funds become no longer available, General Funds will not be requested to support this program.

Respectfully submitted,



Taylor Caswell,
Executive Director, GOFERR