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April 3, 2015

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

Your Excellency and Members of the Council:

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to RSA 4:8, authorize the Department of Justice to accept the sponsorship of a speaker from the New Hampshire Endowment for Health and its subsidiary Health Strategies of New Hampshire, in the amount of \$4,444 for the 2015 "Partnering for a Future Without Violence Conference" to be held June 3-5, 2015 at Southern New Hampshire University in Manchester, New Hampshire.

EXPLANATION

The Department of Justice is hosting a three-day training for professionals on the investigation and prosecution of child abuse, domestic and sexual violence, human trafficking and elder abuse cases in New Hampshire. Over 60 workshops will be offered over the three days and the Department is utilizing a combination of local speakers as well as national experts to provide training at the conference.

The New Hampshire Endowment for Health is a strong supporter of victim's issues, especially those involving children. As such, this organization has offered to cover the expenses of a nationally recognized expert on trauma in children to present at the aforementioned event. The total costs covered by the New Hampshire Endowment for Health is \$4,444.

Respectfully submitted,

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March 23, 2015

Attorney General Joseph Foster
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Dear Attorney General Foster:

I am pleased to announce that a grant of \$4,444 was approved by the Endowment for Health Board of Directors to fund a keynote speaker, Dr. Linda Chamberlin, for the Attorney General's Office 2015 "Partnering for A Future Without Violence" conference. Dr. Chamberlin's speaking fee is \$2,700 for the day and, with her travel expenses, the total cost for her keynote and workshop is \$4,444. The contract with Dr. Chamberlin will be managed through the Endowment for Health's subsidiary operating foundation, Health Strategies of New Hampshire, Inc.

The Endowment for Health is a statewide, private, nonprofit foundation dedicated to improving the health of New Hampshire's people. One of the Endowment for Health's targeted initiatives focuses on early childhood and includes mitigation of the impact adverse childhood experiences has on healthy child development. Domestic and sexual violence, child abuse and parental mental health and substance use disorders can have a profound impact on young children.

We are pleased to support training for New Hampshire professionals on best practice approaches in the handling of these types of cases by sponsoring Dr. Linda Chamberlin to present at your conference. Dr. Chamberlain, an epidemiologist specializing in childhood exposure to violence and brain development, is the founding director of the Alaska Family Violence Prevention Project and a consultant for the Family Violence Prevention Fund. She is an internationally renowned speaker who holds faculty appointments at the University of Alaska and Johns Hopkins University. Dr. Chamberlain has published extensively and serves on the National Advisory Board for the Institute for Safe Families. She is a recipient of the National Kellogg Leadership Fellowship.

Thank you for your ongoing efforts to provide quality training opportunities on these critical issues for New Hampshire professionals. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. We look forward to working with you as a partner to improve the health and reduce the burden of illness of the people of New Hampshire.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Rowe', written in a cursive style.

Steven Rowe, President
Endowment for Health