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The Honorable Karen Umberger, Chairman
Fiscal Committee of the General Court and

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 Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health Services to accept and expend carry forward funds from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), to fund New Hampshire's Overdose to Data Action Program in the amount of \$1,578,886 effective upon approval by the Fiscal Committee and Governor and Council through August 31, 2022, and further authorize the allocation of these funds in the accounts below. 100% Federal Funds.

05-095-090-902010-50400000 HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH AND HUMAN SVCS DEPT OF, HHS: PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION, BUREAU OF COMMUNITY AND HEALTH SERVICES, OPIOID SURVEILLANCE

SFY2022 Class/Object	Class Title	Current Authorized Budget	This Request	Adjusted Budget
Revenue				
000-400146	Federal Funds	\$ 5,648,465	\$ 1,578,886	\$ 7,227,351
005-401716	Other Funds	\$ 7,900		\$ 7,900
	General Funds	\$ -		\$ -
Total Revenue:		\$ 5,656,365	\$ 1,578,886	\$ 7,235,251
Expense				
010-500100	Personal Services Perm	\$ 72,060	\$ -	\$ 72,060
020-500200	Current Expenses	\$ 94,696	\$ -	\$ 94,696
030-500301	Equipment	\$ 15,000	\$ 389,885	\$ 404,885
037-500173	Technology-Hardware	\$ 3,121	\$ 11,515	\$ 14,636
038-500175	Technology-Software	\$ 17,000	\$ -	\$ 17,000
039-500188	Telecommunications	\$ 200	\$ -	\$ 200
041-500801	Audit Fund Set Aside	\$ 3,700	\$ 1,579	\$ 5,279
042-500620	Post Retirements Benefits	\$ 11,071	\$ -	\$ 11,071
059-500117	Temp Full Time	\$ 53,177	\$ -	\$ 53,177
060-500601	Benefits	\$ 91,515	\$ -	\$ 91,515
066-500543	Employee Training	\$ 21,235	\$ -	\$ 21,235
070-500704	In State Travel Reimb	\$ 3,595	\$ -	\$ 3,595
080-500714	Out of State Travel Reimb	\$ 4,000	\$ -	\$ 4,000
085-588520	Interagency Xfr Out Of Fed Fnds	\$ 1,987,691	\$ -	\$ 1,987,691
102-500731	Contracts for Program Services	\$ 3,278,304	\$ 1,175,907	\$ 4,454,211
Total Expense:		\$ 5,656,365	\$ 1,578,886	\$ 7,235,251

EXPLANATION

This request is being made to accept grant funds available from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to administer the New Hampshire (NH) Overdose to Data Action Program (OD2A). These funds are being carried forward from previous grant periods and being made available for use in the current grant period.

The New Hampshire OD2A Program includes one surveillance component (composing of four strategies) and one prevention component (composing of six strategies). DHHS-DPHS staff provides administrative oversight for this grant. A brief description of the strategies are as follows:

1. Collect and Disseminate Emergency Department Surveillance Data related to non-fatal overdoses.
2. Collect and Disseminate Data related to overdose deaths.
3. Innovative Surveillance
 - a. Enhance the New Hampshire Public Health Laboratory's capacity to test unidentifiable emergency department samples in suspected overdose cases.
 - b. Engage the DHHS-Enterprise Business Interface-(EBI) system to integrate drug overdose data, and develop overdose dissemination tools for internal user, as well as provide visual dashboards for the public.
4. Enhance the Prescription Drug Monitoring System through error correction and advanced data analysis function.
5. Support Kinship care program to provide services for relatives who are caring for children whose parents have died, are incarcerated, or are otherwise separated due to opioid misuse.
6. Support syringe service program outreach to people with substance use disorder to provide education, referral and training. (Note: purchase of syringes; Naloxone, provision of treatment or communicable disease testing is not allowed by this funding.)
7. Academic Detailing

- a. Support health care providers or organizations by providing education and training related to drug misuse, a one-on-one outreach education technique that uses a train-the-trainer model to support clinicians in providing evidence-based care to their patients on safe opioid prescription and integrative care.
 - b. Empower dental care and other primary caregivers in the use of Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) and integrative care for patients with substance use disorder.
8. Support the formation of local partnership between public health and public safety.

Funds are budgeted as follows:

Class 030 - Funds will be used to purchase a nitrogen generator, a LC-MS/MS instrument with a three-year extended warranty, and a workstation/table for the NH Public Health Laboratory. This nitrogen generator is needed to supply gas to the turbo vaps that are used to dry samples for opioid analysis. This is more cost effective than continuing to purchase nitrogen tanks. The LC-MS/MS instrument will be used for testing clinical samples resulting from opioid overdoses, as part of the Overdose to Action Program. Currently, the lab is using an instrument dedicated to chemical emergency response activities. There continue to be conflicts whereas both programs need to use the instrument. This purchase would give the OD2A laboratorians a dedicated instrument for opioid testing to avoid any interruptions in the clinical opioid testing. The Public Health Laboratories, Chemical Threat Response Unit needs a workstation/table to hold the new LC-MS/MS instrument being requested above. The table needs to be able to hold all the instrument components, withstand a weight of more than 465 lbs and be resistant to solvents.

Class 037 - Funds will be used to purchase two computers with larger memory and storage capacity which will also include Thermo Tracefinder software for the Public Health Laboratory to conduct environmental testing for NH OD2A projects. The current computers are not able to handle the data generated for analysis and the software will help to screen for unknown opioids.

Class 102 - Funds will be used to contract with vendors to provide services to support the program.

1. The NH OD2A program collaborates with the Automated Hospital ED Data (AHEDD) program under the Bureau of Infectious Disease Control (BIDC) to collect and disseminate real-time ED data on suspected all drug, all opioid, heroin, and all stimulant overdoses. The DPHS-AHEDD program needs the carryforward funding to pay the contractors who are working on the NH OD2A project.
2. The NH OD2A program is supporting the Public Health Laboratory (PHL) at DHHS for the implementation of innovative surveillance to support overdose prevention interventions. The PHL, under OD2A, will be able to test samples from local hospitals and other agencies to detect opioid analogs in live patients, and from items found that are not connected to patients. The PHL needs the carryforward funding to pay the service contract of the existing QE system for all repairs and annual preventative maintenance to keep the instrument operational and ready for use at all times. The current contract will expire in December 2021. The lab needs this funding to pay for the annual service contract for the Peak Nitrogen generator.
3. The NH OD2A program collaborates with the DHHS-BDAS for the integration of state and local prevention and response efforts by supporting a program to assist grandparents who are caring for their grandchildren as a result of a parental overdose death, incarceration, or entrance into a rehabilitation program. Currently, the BDAS is contracting with NH Children's Trust to perform such functions. The vendor needs the carryforward funding to enhance their local community services for the families in need.
4. The NH OD2A program collaborates with the Bureau of Infectious Disease Control (BIDC) to establish linkages to care by enhancing programs and policies related to outreach and corollary services that are attached with syringe services programs. Currently, the BIDC is contracting with NH Harm

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Reduction Coalition to implement linkage to care to reduce drug overdose related harm. Since the OD2A funding is focusing on education, referral and training for population with substance use disorder, the NHHRC needs the carryforward funding to hire care coordinators and a data collection coordinator, and to purchase a mobile unit to deliver onsite linkage to care.

In response to the anticipated two-part question, "Can these funds be used to offset General Funds?" and "What is the compelling reason for not offsetting General Funds?" the Division offers the following information: The funds are provided for a specified purpose by CDC as defined in the Notice of Grant Award and cannot be used to offset general funds.

Area served: Statewide.

Source of funds: 100% Federal funds from the Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

If Federal Funds become no longer available, additional General Funds will not be requested to support the program expenditures.

Respectfully submitted,



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AWARD HISTORY
NH OVERDOSE DATA TO ACTION (OD2A)
NU17CE924984

A	NH Overdose Data to Action (OD2A) NU17CE924984	
B	NH Overdose Data to Action (OD2A) NU17CE924984-01-00 Award Ending 8/31/2020	3,672,978
	NH Overdose Data to Action (OD2A) NU17CE924984-02-00 Award Ending 8/31/2021	3,672,978
	NH Overdose Data to Action (OD2A) NU17CE924984-03-00 Award Ending 8/31/2022	3,672,978
C	Expended through 6/30/21	(3,791,667)
D	Unobligated Balance Unable to Spend	<u> -</u>
E	Award Balance 9/1/21	\$ 7,227,267
F	SFY 22 Appropriation **	(3,321,658)
G	Balance Forward	<u>(2,326,723)</u>
H	Available to Accept in SFY 22	1,578,886
I	Amount Requested this Action	<u><u>1,578,886</u></u>

**** SFY 22 Appropriation**

	010-090-50400000	Current	OYR	Total	This Action	Revised Budget
J	NH Overdose Data to Action (OD2A)	3,321,658	2,326,723	5,648,381	1,578,886	7,227,267
	Total	<u>3,321,658</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,648,381</u>	<u>1,578,886</u>	<u>7,227,267</u>