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 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
 DIVISION OF COMMUNITY BASED CARE SERVICES

BUREAU OF DRUG AND ALCOHOL SERVICES

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

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REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Community Based Care Services, Bureau of Drug and Alcohol Services, to make a one-time payment from State Fiscal Year 2014 funds for annual membership dues to the National Association of State Alcohol and Drug Abuse Directors, Inc., (Vendor #170327 B001), 1025 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 605, Washington, DC 20036, in the amount of \$10,900.00 for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014, effective July 1, 2013, or the date of Governor and Council approval, whichever is later. Funds are anticipated to be available in State Fiscal Year 2014 depending upon the availability and continued appropriation of funds in the future operating budget.

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Fiscal Year	Class/Object	Class Title	Job Number	Total Amount
SFY 2014	026-500251	Organizational Dues	49155365	\$10,900.00

EXPLANATION

This association of state agencies is specifically designed to respond to the special interests and needs of state alcohol and drug authorities. The Association provides a forum for the discussion and planning on emerging and significant alcohol and drug related policy issues.

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?
 - A. The Association was originally incorporated in 1972 to serve State Drug Agency Directors, and then in 1978 the membership was expanded to include State Alcoholism Agency Directors. The Bureau of Drug and Alcohol Services has been a member of the Association since 1972.
2. Is there any other organization which provides the same or similar benefits which your agency belongs to?
 - A. NASADAD is unique in that they are charged by Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration with helping states adopt evidence based practices and developing Information Technology systems to support states in being able to demonstrate the effectiveness of programming, including meeting the Federal National Outcome Measurement Systems requirements and facilitating communication/collaboration among states relative to these issues.
3. How many other state's belonging to this organization and is your agency the sole New Hampshire state agency that is a member?
 - A. The National Association of State Alcohol and Drug Abuse Directors is constituted to provide an authoritative, coordinated and unified voice for all states and US territories to respond to, and offer advice to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration relative to the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment block grant. All 50 States and Territories belong to the Association. The Bureau of Drug and Alcohol Services is the Single State Agency for New Hampshire.
4. How is the dues structure established? (Standard fee for all states, based on population, based on other criteria, etc)
 - A. The dues were established when NASADAD was founded. The bylaws established a dues structure that includes "tiers" based on State size (population). This structure has not been changed since NASADAD was founded. The bylaws and policies and procedures guide processes that govern any dues increases.
5. What benefit does the state receive from participating in this membership?
 - A. Membership offers several benefits including but not limited to the following:
 - i. Technical assistance to states in meeting evolving requirements for the Federal Substance Abuse Block Grant.
 - ii. Facilitates National Treatment Network with all states dedicated to the promotion of effective, socially responsive programs, and evidence and research based practices to expand and improve the publicly funded substance abuse treatment system in each state.

- iii. Facilitates Woman Services Network with all states dedicated to the development and promotion of evidence-based practice that addresses the unique alcohol and other drug prevention, treatment, and recovery service needs of women and their families throughout their lifespan and assists the state agency is compliance with the federal Substance Abuse Treatment Block Grant set aside for women services.
 - iv. Facilitates the National Prevention Network with all states dedicated to comprehensive and effective services to reduce the incidence and prevalence of problems associated with alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs and to promote well-being and health. Members of the Network are focused on optimizing State alcohol, tobacco, and other drug and other human service systems to enhance and support national, State, and local prevention services. National Prevention Network is a critical partner in development, dissemination, and implementation of prevention policy.
6. Are training or educational/ research materials included in the membership? If so, is the cost included? Explain in detail.
 - A. Training and educational/research materials are included in the cost of membership. Examples include
 - i. Monthly Policy Forum Conference calls with all states,
 - ii. Several Policy Issue Briefs are issued annually, some examples include:
 1. An Inventory of Alcohol and Other Drug Cost Offset Studies for State Substance Abuse Agencies
 2. Use of Buprenorphine and Implications for State AOD Systems
 3. Current Research on Alcohol Policy and State Alcohol and Other Drug (AOD) Systems
 4. Guidance to States; Treatment Standards for Women with Substance Abuse Orders
7. Is the membership required to receive any federal grants or required in order to receive or participate in licensing or certification exams? Explain.
 - A. No, membership is not required however technical assistance is provided to assist in meeting the evolving requirements for the Federal Substance Abuse Block Grant. Staff from the Bureau of Drug and Alcohol Services participate in webinars facilitated by NASADAD for this purpose. New Hampshire Substance Abuse Block Grant is approximately \$6.7 million for FFY-2012 which is approximately 50% of funds for substance abuse services in New Hampshire.
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.
 - A. NASADAD hosts an annual meeting the basic purpose of which is to foster and support the development of effective and efficient State alcohol and other drug abuse prevention and treatment programs throughout the country. Meeting locations change annually the cost of which is relatively low (\$400 for three days), however cost does not include transportation and sleeping accommodations.

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.
- A. The Bureau has four representatives acting in various capacities:
- i. New Hampshire's Single State Agency director is Joseph Harding, Director of the Bureau of Drug and Alcohol Services;
 - ii. Valerie Morgan, Administrator I, represents the State in the National Prevention Network;
 - iii. Jaime Powers, Administrator I, represents the State in the National Treatment Network; and
 - iv. Linda Parker, Program Specialist IV, represents the State in the Womam Services Network.
10. Explain in detail any negative impact to the State if the Agency did not belong to this organization.
- A. Should Governor and Executive Council not approve this Request, opportunities to promote and preserve New Hampshire's interests relative to the block grant funding, and the changing requirements to secure that funding would be eliminated. New Hampshire would not be able to participate in an ongoing dialogue facilitated by the National Association of State Alcohol and Drug Abuse Directors with the Federal agency that administers the block grant. In the development of other related Federal policies, New Hampshire would not receive issues briefs recommending best practices and emerging trends developed and distributed by this organization, that benefits the State and its treatment and prevention services providers.

Area Served: statewide.

Source of Funds: 100% Federal Funds from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant.

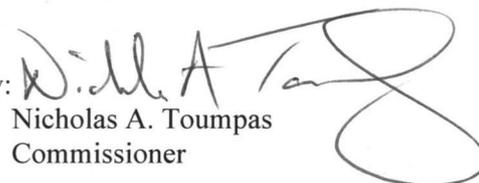
In the event that the Federal Funds become no longer available, General Funds will not be requested to support this program.

Respectfully submitted,



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QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	PRICE	AMOUNT
	ANNUAL DUES FOR NASADAD FY: July 1, 2013 - June 30, 2014 FEDERAL ID NUMBER: 52-0983141	\$10,900	\$ 10,900

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Thank you.

NASADAD Membership: Services and Benefits

April 2013

Overview: *The National Association of State Alcohol and Drug Abuse Directors, Inc. (NASADAD) is a private, not-for-profit educational, scientific, and informational organization. NASADAD's purpose is to foster and support the development of effective and efficient State alcohol and other drug abuse prevention, treatment and recovery services throughout the States, District of Columbia, and Territories. NASADAD members are each State's substance abuse agency director. The Association also includes component organizations such as the National Prevention Network (NPN) and the National Treatment Network (NTN). We have developed the following overview explaining the benefits of NASADAD membership. We have also included, as an attachment, a list of recent meetings and events that NASADAD has engaged in over the past quarter to help illustrate the Association's work.*

Specific Value-Added Activities for the Membership

Educating Congress: Congress, including the many committees of jurisdiction with oversight over addiction policy and funding, often seeks guidance and expertise from NASADAD as issues move through the legislative process. NASADAD works to provide input through educational meetings, briefings, and

NASADAD AT WORK: Educating Capitol Hill

On April 17, 2013, NASADAD worked in partnership with NAADAC-the Association for Addiction Professionals, State Associations of Addiction Services (SAAS), and Treatment Communities of America (TCA) to conduct a Capitol Hill briefing focused on the benefits of the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment (SAPT) Block Grant. In particular, the briefing highlighted how States use SAPT Block Grant dollars effectively and efficiently.

Congressional supporters of the session include Representative Tim Ryan (OH) among others.

The briefing featured Gary Tennis (PA), NASADAD Board Member and included NASADAD's Executive Director as moderator.

The event attracted approximately 100 attendees and was extremely successful.

Congressional testimony. In addition, NASADAD helps lead a coalition of Washington, D.C.-based organizations focused on Federal addiction policy in order to demonstrate the value of a robust Federal commitment to substance abuse prevention, treatment and recovery. In this current fiscal environment, this education is vital in order to address proposed cuts at the Federal level. A core priority is to educate Congress regarding the benefits of the Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment (SAPT) Block Grant.

Timely updates on Federal funding and policy developments: NASADAD's weekly "Public Policy Update" provides timely information about legislative and regulatory developments taking place in Washington, D.C. NASADAD members remark that these Federal budget and appropriations updates are extremely useful in providing quick and accurate information about decisions impacting State addiction treatment, prevention, and recovery

systems. In addition, the updates include available funding opportunities and late-breaking developments related to health reform. As one State Director noted in a member survey on NASADAD's policy work, "These updates keep me more up to date on Federal issues that pertain to SUD issues than any other update I get..."

Monitoring and shaping Federal regulations and programming: NASADAD monitors, on a regular basis, the Federal regulatory process, including proposed regulations, requests for information, and more. NASADAD identifies key proposals that could impact the membership; solicits input; and drafts a response on behalf of the Association. We offer the following examples where NASADAD Public Policy Staff worked diligently to analyze, draft and forward comments on behalf of the Association:

- ❖ The draft 2013 National Drug Control Strategy
- ❖ The 2014/2015 Proposed and Revised SAPT Block Grant Application
- ❖ The Essential Health Benefits Regulation for Exchanges
- ❖ Vice President's Taskforce to Reduce Gun Violence, Request for Comments
- ❖ Essential Health Benefits in Alternative Benefit Plans

Further, NASADAD is working to keep members informed about timely information on the specific impact of sequestration. The Association arranged for budget officials from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) to discuss sequestration and answer questions. NASADAD also joined the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO), Association of Maternal and Child Health Programs (AMCHP) and other State-based Associations to send a letter to the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) seeking further guidance to States about the impact of sequestration.

Direct access to decision-makers and stakeholders: NASADAD arranges for key public and private sector decision-makers to discuss important issues with the membership through various forums. The Association holds monthly conference calls where guest speakers from Capitol Hill, Federal agencies, the National Governors Association (NGA), and elsewhere dialogue directly with the members. The Association's Annual Membership Meeting also connects NASADAD members with the leadership of Federal agencies with jurisdiction over funding for addiction services – including the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS); the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA); Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS); Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA); Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP); Department of Justice (DOJ); Office of Management and Budget (OMB); and others. Finally, the NASADAD Board of Directors hosts important guests during its quarterly Board Meetings in Washington, D.C. and elsewhere to ensure a dialogue benefitting the entire membership. Board Meetings are open to all State Directors.

NASADAD AT WORK: Ensuring Access to Decision-makers and Stakeholders
NASADAD's access to key decision-makers enables the membership to gain first-hand knowledge about new initiatives, funding opportunities and Capitol Hill action. A partial list of previous speakers at NASADAD's Annual Meeting, Monthly Public Policy Calls and Board Meetings include Ms. Pam Hyde, Administrator, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA); Dr. H. Westley Clark, Director, SAMHSA's Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT); Ms. Fran Harding, Director, SAMHSA's Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP); Mr. Pete Delany, SAMHSA's Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality; Mr. Gil Kerlikowske, Director, Office of the National of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP); Mr. Dave Mineta, Deputy Director for Demand Reduction, Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP); Ms. Barbara Edwards, Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services (CMS); Ms. Ruby Qazilbash, Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA), Department of Justice (DOJ); Mr. Matt Salo, National Association of Medicaid Directors (NAMD); Lisa Bernhardt, Senate Committee on Appropriations; and many others!

NASADAD AT WORK: Prescription Drug Abuse/Misuse

NASADAD's Board of Directors identified prescription drug abuse/misuse as a top priority and expressed a commitment to ensure the Association provided leadership at the national level on this complex yet critical issue. NASADAD's Research and Program Applications Division developed a detailed report and PowerPoint describing actions taken by State substance abuse agencies regarding prescription drug abuse/misuse and identifies future technical assistance needs. NASADAD has since been asked to present the findings from this report at a number of venues. For example, NASADAD was invited to participate in a policy academy on prescription drug abuse sponsored by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and led by the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO) and National Governors Association (NGA). In addition, NASADAD presented the report's findings to during the National Rx Abuse Summit in 2012 and 2013. NASADAD is a partner in an initiative to reduce prescription drug overdose deaths led by the National Safety Council. Finally, NASADAD is sharing resources on prescription drug abuse with the National Association of Counties (NACo), the Trust for America's Health (TFAH) and others.

State-to-State learning and exchange:

The Association promotes opportunities to exchange information and experiences. NASADAD's Committee structure (Public Policy Committee and the Research, Training and Technical Assistance Committee) and component groups (National Prevention Network [NPN]; National Treatment Network [NTN]; Women's Services Network [WSN]; Opioid Treatment Network [OTN]) offer excellent forums for States to share and help each other. States often contact NASADAD to find out how other members address a particular program, policy or practice issue. In response, NASADAD relays the query on behalf of the State in order to assist in building a snapshot on a particular issue or trend. This "snapshot inquiry" approach has been found to be very beneficial for the membership. In all, NASADAD has developed over 125 of these snapshot inquiries.

Promoting evidence-based practices:

NASADAD leads a regular dialogue with the leadership of the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA), the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT) and other agencies regarding the latest research on service delivery that can help improve outcomes. NIAAA researchers were a prominent part of the most recent NPN Research Conference held in Pittsburgh, PA. In addition, on March 29, 2013, NASADAD worked with leadership to draft and submit comments to NIDA in response to a recent Request for Information (RFI) regarding ways NIDA could help State substance abuse agencies improve services.

NASADAD AT WORK: Topic Calls

NASADAD's component groups routinely engage in topic calls, to which national expert speakers and knowledgeable State staff are invited to present. This activity provides an opportunity for members to learn about successful State initiatives, lessons learned, and current research. The National Treatment Network (NTN), for example, has held topic calls on implementing smoking cessation programs in substance abuse treatment service settings; recovery support services in State substance abuse systems; and coordination between Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs) and State substance abuse agencies. In addition, the Women's Services Network (WSN) has held topic calls on trauma informed care; implementation of evidence based-practices, State agency collaboration with drug courts, neonatal abstinence syndrome, primary care substance use screening for pregnant women and more. The members regularly comment on the utility and benefits associated with these conference calls.

Products: The Association's Public Policy and Research and Program Applications Departments generate products that are helpful for members and the field. Some examples are below:

State Profiles

- The Public Policy Department works with States to generate State-specific issue briefs that describe the demographics related to those receiving services; the most prevalent drugs of abuse; the positive outcomes associated with prevention, treatment and recovery; cost-benefit information; and a description of how members ensure accountability in the State system.

Fact Sheets/Issue Briefs

- The Association has developed Fact Sheets / Issue Briefs that provide background information and recommendations on a topic important to the membership. Some examples include:
 - Impact of Sequestration on the SAPT Block Grant
 - The SAPT Block Grant's Substance Abuse Prevention Set-Aside
 - Difference Between Exchange Essential Health Benefits and Essential Health Benefits for Medicaid Alternative Benefit Plans
 - Underage Drinking Fact Sheet
 - Marijuana Fact Sheet
 - The Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment (SAPT) Block Grant
 - The Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP)
 - The Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT)
 - The Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) and Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP) within the Department of Justice (DOJ)

Reports/Presentations

- NASADAD's Research and Program Application Division generates reports and presentations on timely topics. Recent examples include:
 - "Prescription Drug Abuse: Current Actions and Initiatives by State Substance Abuse Agencies"
 - "Therapeutic Services for Children whose Parents Received Substance Use Disorder Treatment"
 - "State Substance Abuse Agency Involvement in Driving Under the Influence (DUI)/Driving While Intoxicated (DWI) Programs"
 - "Understanding the Baseline: Publicly Funded Substance Abuse Providers and Medicaid"
 - "The Effects of Health Care Reform on Access to, and Funding of, Substance Abuse Services in Maine, Massachusetts, and Vermont"
 - Opioid overdose initiatives undertaken by SSAs
 - "An Inventory of Cost Offset Studies for State Substance Abuse Agencies"
 - Challenges to measuring cost effectiveness of SSA prevention initiatives
 - "Addressing the Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Service Needs of Returning Veterans and Their Families: The Training Needs of State Alcohol and Other Drug Agencies and Providers"
 - "Tobacco Cessation in Substance Abuse Treatment Facilities: Single State Agency (or SSA) Tobacco Policies "
 - Potential performance measures for medication assisted treatment

NASADAD Website

- The Association's website (<http://www.nasadad.org>) is an invaluable resource that keeps the membership and community-at-large up to date on key issues pertaining to substance abuse prevention, treatment and recovery. The website includes sections that highlight the activities of the Departments of Public Policy, Research and Program Applications and more. The "Members Only" portion of the website features access to the many State inquiries that NASADAD distributes and assembles in order to foster State-to-State exchange of information.