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

**INFORMATIONAL ITEM**

Pursuant to RSA 4:45, RSA 21-P:43, and Section 4 of Executive Order 2020-04 as extended by Executive Orders 2020-05, 2020-08, 2020-09, and 2020-10, Governor Sununu has authorized the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health Services, to amend an existing Sole Source contract with the Foundation for Healthy Communities (Vendor #154533-B001), 125 Airport Road, Concord, NH 03301-3857, for the provision of assistance to the thirteen (13) New Hampshire small rural hospitals to implement activities supported by emergency federal COVID-19 funding for the Small Rural Hospital Improvement Program, by increasing the price limitation by \$1,042,829 from \$571,048 to \$1,613,877, with no change to the contract completion date of May 31, 2021, effective upon Governor approval. 100% Federal Funds.

The original contract was approved by Governor and Council on September 27, 2017, Item #13, and most recently amended with Governor and Council approval on May 1, 2019, Item #18A. 100% Federal Funds.

Funds are available in the following account for State Fiscal Years 2020 and 2021 upon the availability and continued appropriation of funds in the future operating budget, with the authority to adjust budget line items within the price limitation and encumbrances between state fiscal years through the Budget Office, if needed and justified.

**05-95-90-901010-22190000 HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, DEPT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SVS, HHS: DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH, SMALL HOSPITAL IMPROVEMENT**

State Fiscal Year	Class / Account	Class Title	Job Number	Current Budget	Informational Item - Increase (Decrease)	Revised Budget
2018	102-500731	Contracts for Program Services	90076001	\$92,804	\$0	\$92,804
2019	102-500731	Contracts for Program Services	90076001	\$169,646	\$0	\$169,646
2020	102-500731	Contracts for Program Services	90076001	\$154,299	\$0	\$154,299
2020	102-500731	Contracts for Program Services	90076019	\$0	\$1,042,829	\$1,042,829
2021	102-500731	Contracts for Program Services	90076001	\$154,299	\$0	\$154,299
			<b>Total</b>	<b>\$571,048</b>	<b>\$1,042,829</b>	<b>\$1,613,877</b>

### **EXPLANATION**

The Department requested that the Governor approve this amendment as **sole source** because the contract was originally approved as sole source and MOP 150 requires any subsequent amendments to be labeled as sole source. The purpose of this item is to provide additional federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, & Economic Security Act (CARES) Act funding that will enable the Contractor to enter into subcontracts with the thirteen (13) small rural hospitals to support purchases or activities that will help them prevent, prepare for, and respond to COVID-19, including but not limited to:

- Ensuring hospitals are safe for staff and patients.
- Detecting, preventing, diagnosing, and treating COVID-19.
- Maintaining hospital operations.

All thirteen (13) small rural hospitals in New Hampshire will be provided CARES Act funds.

The Department will monitor contracted services by conducting monthly meetings with the Contractor to review the following:

- Plans for implementing grant activities;
- Completed activities;
- Program budgets; and
- Attendance lists.

Area served: New Hampshire rural populations

Source of Funds: 100% Federal Funds from the Federal Office of Rural Health Policy, Small Rural Hospital Improvement Program, Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) #93.301, Federal Award Identification Numbers H3HRH00028 and H3JHRH37448.

Respectfully submitted,



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