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May 6, 2016

Her Excellency, Governor Margaret Wood Hassan
and The Honorable Council
State House
Concord, NH 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

The Department of Education, Bureau of Integrated Programs, respectfully requests permission to award a Grant in the amount of \$90,000 to the University of New Hampshire Marriage and Family Therapy Center (Vender Code #177867) to provide support and clinical services to families that include teen fathers, effective upon Governor and Council approval through June 30, 2021. 100% Federal Funds.

Funds are available in the account titled: Teen E3 Grant

06-56-56-563010-50890000-102-500731 Contracts for Program Services FY16
\$90,000

EXPLANATION

The University of New Hampshire has been in partnership with the NHDOE since May of 2015 developing the E³ Teen Fathering Program. The US Department of Health and Human Services awarded the State of New Hampshire nearly \$2 million dollars, in part, because of this partnership. A central purpose of this federal funding is to develop resources for teen fathers and their families and The University of New Hampshire Marriage and Family Therapy Center (UNH MFTC) is uniquely equipped to serve teen fathers and their families throughout the state free of charge with support from this grant.

The purpose of this funding is to provide a one-time grant to UNH MFTC to build their capacity to provide teen fathers and their family's services at no cost for at least the next five years and

ideally for the foreseeable future. Upon receiving funding UNH MFTC will provide annual reports detailing services provided and demographic information of those receiving services. If funds are still available after five years, it is expected that UNH MFTC will continue to serve these families with these remaining funds.

The Primary goal of the E³ Teen Fathering Program is to increase the capacity of teen fathers, and by proxy their families, by ensuring these fathers graduate high school, obtain skilled work experience, and are provided education in the field of parenting and father involvement. These three research-based factors have been found to not only improve the lives of teen fathers and their families, but prevent them from sliding into more problematic outcomes that include incarceration, mental illness, substance abuse, and multiple partner fertility.

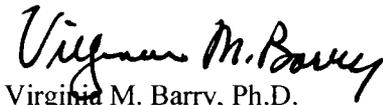
The E³ Teen Fathering Program focuses on three research-based factors that provide long-term support for these fathers and their families: education (e.g. graduates high school, enrolls in college), employment (e.g., provide useful job experience at local agencies), and engagement with their children (e.g., family life education coursework). E³ will address these factors simultaneously by capitalizing on the unique educational context in the state of New Hampshire (i.e. competency-based standards, adult education school) and leveraging community supports that are already in place (e.g., local businesses, nonprofit mentoring programs). E³ will help teen fathers work toward graduation at the same time that they are building a foundation for long-term, skilled employment and obtaining social support for engagement with their children and partners. In sum, this program will support teen fathers, their partners, and their children throughout the life course through focused early intervention.

Over the next five years, the E³ Teen Fathering Program will serve 174 families that include a teen father directly; many times that number of individuals will be served through access to the NH 211 Warmline. The program will also provide resource sheets for every guidance counselor in the State, and all materials developed will be available online through the NH Networks. The program will also support local business by providing a stipend for every father employed through the program.

In sum, The Department of Education would like use this grant to build the capacity of the University of New Hampshire, Marriage and Family Therapy Center, in order to provide their expertise revolving around specific clinical dimensions of teen fatherhood (couple problems, family problems, parenting dilemmas and life adjustment concerns).

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

Respectfully submitted,


Virginia M. Barry, Ph.D.
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COOPERATIVE PROJECT AGREEMENT

between the

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, Department of Education

and the

University of New Hampshire of the UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

- A. This Cooperative Project Agreement (hereinafter "Project Agreement") is entered into by the State of New Hampshire, **Department of Education**, (hereinafter "State"), and the University System of New Hampshire, acting through **University of New Hampshire**, (hereinafter "Campus"), for the purpose of undertaking a project of mutual interest. This Cooperative Project shall be carried out under the terms and conditions of the Master Agreement for Cooperative Projects between the State of New Hampshire and the University System of New Hampshire dated November 13, 2002, except as may be modified herein.
- B. This Project Agreement and all obligations of the parties hereunder shall become effective on the date the Governor and Executive Council of the State of New Hampshire approve this Project Agreement ("Effective date") and shall end on **6/30/21**. If the provision of services by Campus precedes the Effective date, all services performed by Campus shall be performed at the sole risk of Campus and in the event that this Project Agreement does not become effective, State shall be under no obligation to pay Campus for costs incurred or services performed; however, if this Project Agreement becomes effective, all costs incurred prior to the Effective date that would otherwise be allowable shall be paid under the terms of this Project Agreement.
- C. The work to be performed under the terms of this Project Agreement is described in the proposal identified below and attached to this document as Exhibit A, the content of which is incorporated herein as a part of this Project Agreement.

Project Title: **E3 Teen Fathering Program**

- D. The Following Individuals are designated as Project Administrators. These Project Administrators shall be responsible for the business aspects of this Project Agreement and all invoices, payments, project amendments and related correspondence shall be directed to the individuals so designated.

State Project Administrator

Name: Richard Feistman
 Address: Bureau of Integrated Programs
101 Pleasant St
Concord, NH 03301

Phone: 603-271-8315

Campus Project Administrator

Name: Dianne Hall
 Address: University of New Hampshire
Sponsored Programs Administration
51 College Rd. Rm 116
Durham, NH 03824

Phone: 603-862-1942

- E. The Following Individuals are designated as Project Directors. These Project Directors shall be responsible for the technical leadership and conduct of the project. All progress reports, completion reports and related correspondence shall be directed to the individuals so designated.

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Campus Authorized Official KS
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F. Total State funds in the amount of \$90,000 have been allotted and are available for payment of allowable costs incurred under this Project Agreement. State will not reimburse Campus for costs exceeding the amount specified in this paragraph.

Check if applicable

Campus will cost-share _____ % of total costs during the term of this Project Agreement.

Federal funds paid to Campus under this Project Agreement are from Grant/Contract/Cooperative Agreement No. **6 SP1AH000037-01-01** from **US Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service** under CFDA# **93.500**. Federal regulations required to be passed through to Campus as part of this Project Agreement, and in accordance with the Master Agreement for Cooperative Projects between the State of New Hampshire and the University System of New Hampshire dated November 13, 2002, are attached to this document as Exhibit B, the content of which is incorporated herein as a part of this Project Agreement.

G. Check if applicable

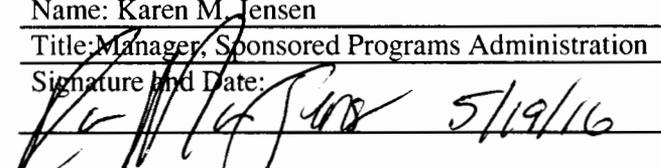
Article(s) _____ of the Master Agreement for Cooperative Projects between the State of New Hampshire and the University System of New Hampshire dated November 13, 2002 is/are hereby amended to read:

H. State has chosen **not to take** possession of equipment purchased under this Project Agreement.
 State has chosen **to take** possession of equipment purchased under this Project Agreement and will issue instructions for the disposition of such equipment within 90 days of the Project Agreement's end-date. Any expenses incurred by Campus in carrying out State's requested disposition will be fully reimbursed by State.

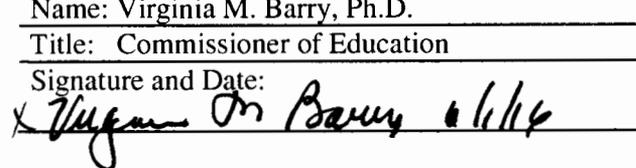
This Project Agreement and the Master Agreement constitute the entire agreement between State and Campus regarding this Cooperative Project, and supersede and replace any previously existing arrangements, oral or written; all changes herein must be made by written amendment and executed for the parties by their authorized officials.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the University System of New Hampshire, acting through the **University of New Hampshire** and the State of New Hampshire, **Department of Education** have executed this Project Agreement.

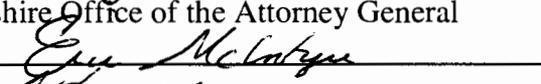
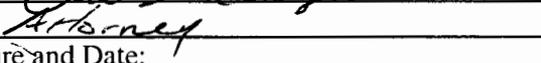
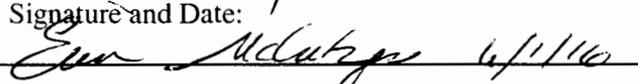
**By An Authorized Official of:
University of New Hampshire**

Name: Karen M. Jensen
Title: Manager, Sponsored Programs Administration
Signature and Date:  5/19/16

**By An Authorized Official of:
Department of Education**

Name: Virginia M. Barry, Ph.D.
Title: Commissioner of Education
Signature and Date:  5/19/16

**By An Authorized Official of: the New
Hampshire Office of the Attorney General**

Name: 
Title: 
Signature and Date:  6/1/16

**By An Authorized Official of: the New
Hampshire Governor & Executive Council**

Name: _____
Title: _____
Signature and Date: _____

EXHIBIT A

- A. Project Title:** E3 Teen Fathering Program
- B. Project Period:** G&C approval - June 30, 2021
- C. Objectives:** See Scope of Work
- D. Scope of Work:** The Marriage and Family Therapy Center (MFTC) will provide expertise that revolves around the specific clinical dimensions of teen fatherhood (couple problems, family problems, parenting dilemmas and life adjustment concerns). The MFTC will provide home-based clinical services, with no charge to the client, utilizing the Marriage and Family Therapy Program advanced graduate students as therapists. The therapy plan will be developed for each participant, uniquely tailored to the client's situation, under the supervision of the Marriage and Family Therapy Program's clinical supervisors. Each clinical case in the Teen Fathering Program will be closely supervised on a weekly basis to ensure the quality necessary to achieve effective clinical outcomes.
- As the representative of the Marriage and Family Therapy Program, Barbara R. Frankel, Ph.D. will participate in monthly meetings to ensure the coordination of services. It is the mutual understanding that this project will lead to the UNH Marriage and Family Therapy Center providing continued support/services to families that include teen fathers beyond the end of this project period.
- E. Deliverables Schedule:** Annual report to be submitted June 30th assessing the numbers of fathers (and their family members) served as well as what services they received. Annual reporting to begin on June 30, 2017.
- F. Budget and Invoicing Instructions:** Campus will submit an invoice on regular Campus invoice forms for \$90,000 at the time of G&C project approval. State will pay Campus within 30 days of receipt of invoice. Campus will provide a list of services available. Unexpended funds at the end of the project period will be retained by UNH to allow the UNH Marriage and Family Therapy Center to provide continued support/services to families that include teen fathers.
Invoice and reports shall be submitted to:

Richard Feistman, PhD
NH Department of Education
101 Pleasant Street
Concord, NH 03301

EXHIBIT B

This Project Agreement is funded under a Grant/Contract/Cooperative Agreement to State from the Federal sponsor specified in Project Agreement article F. All applicable requirements, regulations, provisions, terms and conditions of this Federal Grant/Contract/Cooperative Agreement are hereby adopted in full force and effect to the relationship between State and Campus, except that wherever such requirements, regulations, provisions and terms and conditions differ for INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION, the appropriate requirements should be substituted (e.g., OMB Circulars A-21 and A-110, rather than OMB Circulars A-87 and A-102). References to Contractor or Recipient in the Federal language will be taken to mean Campus; references to the Government or Federal Awarding Agency will be taken to mean Government/Federal Awarding Agency or State or both, as appropriate.

Special Federal provisions are listed here: None or **Uniform Guidance issued by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in lieu of Circulars listed in paragraph above.** .