



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
DIVISION OF COMMUNITY BASED CARE SERVICES
BUREAU OF ELDERLY & ADULT SERVICES

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

Retroactive

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services, Bureau of Elderly and Adult Services to accept and expend Planning and Demonstration Grant for Testing Experience and Functional Tools in Community-Based Long Term Services and Supports federal funds from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services in the amount of \$57,408, retroactive to July 1, 2015, through December 31, 2015, and further authorize the funds to be allocated as follows upon Governor and Executive Council approval. Grant funds awarded for periods after SFY 2015 have been requested in the operating budgets for SFY 2016 and SFY 2017. 100% Federal Funds.

05-95-48-481010-8909 HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, DEPT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SVCS, HHS: ELDERLY - ADULT SERVICES, PROGRAM OPERATIONS, TEFT Grant

Table with 5 columns: Class/Object, Class Title, Current Modified Budget, Increase/(Decrease) Amount, Revised Modified Budget. Rows include SFY 2016 summary, Federal Funds breakdown, Total Revenue, and various expense categories like Current Expenses, Food Institutions, etc.

## EXPLANATION

This request is retroactive to July 1, 2015 due to the Continuing Resolution in effect for SFY 2016. These funds were not awarded until April 4, 2014, and were not included in the SFY 2015 budget as of July 1, 2014. Funds were initially accepted by Governor and Council on 06/04/14, Item #57. Grant funds awarded for periods after SFY 2015, have been requested in the operating budgets for SFY 2016 – SFY 2017.

The TEFT grant funds will be used to field test the beneficiary experience survey, developed by the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services, on three community-based, long-term services and supports programs. A representative sample of individuals receiving services from the Bureaus of Behavioral Health, Developmental Services and Elderly and Adult Services will be surveyed twice over the four year grant period. The benefits to the Department of Health and Human Services of conducting these surveys are to identify trends from the aggregated survey data received prior to and after the implementation of Medicaid Managed Care for community based waiver services and to have improved relationships and services for some of the individuals who are recipients of community-based, long-term services and supports. The funds will be used for:

- Class 020 Postage and gift cards to participants for completion of the survey.
- Class 021 Refreshments for meetings with community partners and stakeholders.
- Class 041 Audit fund set aside expense.
- Class 080 Travel to required grant meetings.
- Class 102 Contractor to conduct surveys.
- Class 230 Interpreter services for an estimated 10% of the survey sample.

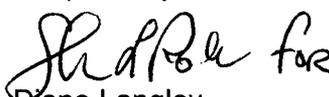
Should the Governor and Executive Council determine not to approve this request the Department will be unable to participate in field testing the new beneficiary experience survey.

Geographic area served: Statewide.

Source of Funds: 100% Federal.

If federal funds become no longer available, general funds will not be requested to support the program expenditures.

Respectfully submitted:

  
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Director

Approved by:   
Nicholas A. Toumpas  
Commissioner

8/5/15

Enclosures

Bureau of Elderly and Adult Services

TEFT Grant

Fiscal Situation

010-095-048-480510-89090000

Year 1 Grant Award (4/1/14 – 3/31/15)	\$ 68,732
Year 1 Expenditures	<u>(\$ 10,191)</u>
Year 1 Grant Balance Remaining	\$ 58,541
Year 2 Grant Award (4/1/15 – 3/31/16)	<u>\$ 34,344</u>
Balance Available to Accept in SFY 2016	\$ 92,885
Allocated Cost Adjustment	<u>(\$ 35,477)</u>
Balance to Accept in SFY 2016	<u>\$ 57,408</u>