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March 8, 2016

Her Excellency Governor Margaret Wood Hassan And the Honorable Council State House Concord, NH 03301

Your Excellency and Members of the Council:

## **REQUESTED ACTION**

Authorize the Department of Justice to amend an existing subgrant to the NH Board of Pharmacy, for the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP), approved by the Governor and Executive Council on October 16, 2013, item #41 and amended on March 25, 2015, item #5A by extending the end date from March 31, 2016 to a new end date of September 30, 2016 upon Governor and Executive Council approval. No additional funds are involved in this time extension. 100% Federal Funds.

Funding is available in account #02-20-201510-2907-500576, Job #20SCG13A.

Agency

Vendor #

<u>Amount</u>

Office of Professional

177884-B001

\$368,871

Licensure and Certification:

Board of Pharmacy

## **EXPLANATION**

The approval of this request will allow the NH Board of Pharmacy to utilize funds from the Federal Fiscal Year 2013 Harold Rogers Prescription Drug Monitoring Program Grant to continue the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) which provides physicians and other prescribers the ability to access and monitor their patient's controlled substance prescribing history.

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Due to some staffing vacancies and other delays, the funds were not expended fully within the allowed grant period. A request for a six-month extension from the Federal Bureau of Justice Assistance was approved to allow for technological enhancements to the program.

In the event that federal funds become no longer available, general funds will not be requested to support this program.

Please let me know if you have any questions concerning this request. Your consideration is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph A. Foster

Attorney General

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GRANT AWARD								
Agency Name: NH Board of Pharmacy				Vendor No.:	177945B005			
Program Name:	Prescription Di	rug Monitoring Program		Amount:	\$ 368,871.00			
Grant Start Date:		2/28/2014   State Grant No.						
Grant End Date:		9/30/2016	Federal Grant	Number: 20	013-PM-BX-0005			
Appropriation No.:		02-20-20-201510-2907-072-500576						
Head of Agency		Project Director		Fiscal Officer				
Charles J. Fanaras, R.Ph.		Michelle Ricco Jonas		Jean Barnes				
Board President		Coordinator		Administration				
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		271-6980						
Federal Grant Name:		Harold Rogers Prescription Drug Monitoring Program						
Federal Agency:		United States Department of Justice						
Bureau/Office:		Office of Justice Programs						
CFDA Number:		16.754						
Purpose of Grant:		Implementation of a statewide prescription						
•		drug monitoring program						
Program Require	ments:	Adherence to Program Conditions and Guidelines.						
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Match Requirements:		Match must be spent on program allowable activities.						
Program income	Requirements:	Program Income must be reported and spent on						
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Reporting Require	ements:	Monthly or quarterly Financial reports.						
		Required Performance reports and audit.						
		Adherence to Program Conditions and Guidelines.						
		Completion of Monitoring forms and processes.						
Approval Program Agen				NH Department of Justice				
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Name Charles J. Fan								
		aras, R.Ph.		Kathleen Carr				
Title	Board President			Director of Administration				
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March 3, 2015

Her Excellency Governor Margaret Wood Hassan And the Honorable Council State House Concord, NH 03301

Your Excellency and Members of the Council:

#### REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Justice to amend the subgrant in the amount of \$368,871 to the New Hampshire Board of Pharmacy Drug Monitor Program (PDMP) approved on October 16, 2013, item #41, from the Harold Rogers Prescription Drug Monitoring Program Grant Award, by extending the end date from March 31, 2015 to March 31, 2016. This extension request will be effective from the date of Governor and Council approval through March 31, 2016. No additional funds are being added. This is 100% Federal Funds.

Funding is available in account #02-20-201510-2907-072-500576, Job #20SCG13A, Department of Justice Grants Administration PDMP as follows:

Agency NH Board of Pharmacy <u>Vendor #</u> 177945-B005

<u>Amount</u> \$368,871

### **EXPLANATION**

This program provides physicians and other prescribers access to their patients' controlled substances prescribing history. When the federal award was made in 2013, the PDMP Advisory Council had been meeting for more than a year. Four subcommittees had been formed and had also been meeting for approximately 11 months. Those subcommittees are: Rules, Finance and Sustainability, Evaluation, and Implementation. The rules were developed and adopted in mid-2014, and the process for selecting a Vendor was completed in May, 2014. The program coordinator was also hired at that time. The program went live on October 16, 2014. The program is now fully functioning through Health Information Designs, LLC (Vendor# 262029) and the PDMP program coordinator.

Because the Vendor selection process and the rulemaking process took close to a year, which covered most of the eighteen-month grant period, we are requesting this extension in order

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Grant End Date:			3/31/2016 Federal Grant		Number: 2013-PM-BX-0005			
Appropriation No.:		02-20-20-201510-2907-072-50057€						
Head of Agency		Project Director		Fiscal Officer				
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conditions require the use of controlled substances receive appropriate medical and pharmaceutical care. The Advisory Council (created by RSA 318-B) has been meeting since July, 2012, and has progressed significantly in its prescribed work toward the PDMP implementation. It is anticipated that the PDMP will be fully operational by February, 2014.

The PDMP will not be accessible by law enforcement except through court order. Additionally, strict security of the data provided by the selected vendor of the monitoring system will be required. Physicians who work in the State's emergency departments and urgent care clinics will be able to access their patients' prescribing histories to ensure that the controlled substances that are being prescribed are medically necessary. In the event that a patient is being given multiple prescriptions from multiple doctors, the PDMP will be able to alert the doctors and afford them an unprecedented opportunity for drug abuse intervention and treatment.

In the event that federal funds become unavailable, general funds will not be requested to support this program.

Please let me know if you have any questions concerning this request.

Your consideration is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

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