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December 2, 2013

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

Retroactive

Your Excellency and Members of the Council:

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Justice to **retroactively** pay annual dues to the National Association of Medicaid Fraud Control Units in the amount of \$5,000 for the Medicaid Fraud Annual Dues for the period of July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014, effective upon Governor and Council approval through June 30, 2014. Funding Source: 75% Federal, 25% General Funds.

Funding for this request is available in account #02-20-20-200510-2615, Department of Justice, Public Protection, Medicaid Fraud as follows:

<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>FY14 Amount</u>
026-500251	Membership Dues	\$5,000.00

EXPLANATION

This request is retroactive because the invoice from the National Association of Medicaid Fraud Control Units was not received until November 26, 2013. This is the first scheduled meeting to submit this request.

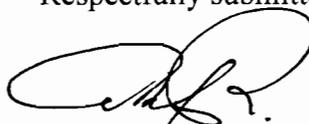
Congress enacted the Medicaid program in 1965. New Hampshire's Medicaid Fraud Unit has been operating since 1984. The Unit has statewide jurisdiction to investigate and prosecute fraud and abuse practices in the State of New Hampshire and receives 75% federal funding for its operations. New Hampshire is a member of the National Association of Medicaid Fraud Units (NAMFCU) headquartered in Washington, DC. The nation's 49 Medicaid fraud units are organized under the umbrella of NAMFCU. As a condition of membership, each state is required to pay annual organizational dues.

Attached are the standard questions and answers required for organizational dues and memberships.

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

Your consideration is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Foster', with a large, stylized flourish above the name.

Joseph A. Foster
Attorney General

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Standard questions required for Governor and Council for 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?*

The National Association of Medicaid Fraud Control Units (NAMFCU) has been in existence since 1965. We have belonged to this organization since our agency was established.

2. *Is there any other organization which provides the same or similar benefits which your agency belongs to?*

The Medicaid Fraud Control Unit does not belong to another organization providing the same or similar benefits.

3. *How many other states belong to this organization and is your agency the sole New Hampshire state agency that is a member?*

This organization is made up of 49 states. The NH MFCU is the sole State agency in New Hampshire belonging to this organization.

4. *How is the dues structure established?*

NAMFCU determines the dues amount based on federal funding provided.

5. *What benefit does the state receive from participating in this membership?*

The State receives investigative and administrative training for staff along with coordinated litigation in global cases.

6. *Are training or educational/research materials included in the membership? If so, is the cost included.*

Yes, training and educational/research materials are included in the membership. Some training is reimbursed.

7. *Is the membership required to receive any federal grants or required in order to receive or participate in licensing or certification exams?*

Staff is required to attend at least one annual training.

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.*

There is travel involved. The Director is required to attend an annual conference as well as other trainings offered. The cost for travel, room and board is provided in lump sum scholarships in some cases, otherwise, the federal grant pays for 75% of the cost for each trip.

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).*

Assistant Attorney General Karin M. Eckel is currently the Director of the NH Medicaid Fraud Control Unit and is New Hampshire's representative with NAMFCU.

10. *Explain in detail any negative impact to the State if the Agency did not belong to this organization.*

- Loss of benefits of settlement money in global cases as well as dissolution of the New Hampshire Unit.
- Lack of knowledge and cooperation with other states in major state and federal emerging issues.

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Medicaid Fraud Annual Dues: July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014

Total Due: \$ 5,250.

Any questions can be directed to Taylor Rose Bartlett, Global Case and Finance Coordinator
At 202-326-6017 or tbartlett@naag.org.

Please remit to:

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COMPANY (FUND) 10 General Fund
BSR/DIV 2005 DIV OF PUBLIC PROTECTION

Detail Trans Register - QL277
From 11/01/2013 Through 11/30/2013

PROCESS LEVEL (AGENCY) 020 JUSTICE DEPT OF
ORGANIZATION 4615 MEDICAID FRAUD
ACCOUNTING UNIT 46150000 MEDICAID FRAUD

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