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## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

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May 23, 2018

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

### REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services, to enter into an educational tuition agreement and to pay said costs in an amount of \$960.00 as follows:

Institution:

Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU)

2500 North River Rd

Hooksett, New Hampshire 03106

Course Title(s):

SCS 100: Perspectives in the Social Sciences

Course Date(s):

Begin: 07/02/2018

End: 08/26/2018

Employee:

Jane M. Gronbeck

Funding Source:

05-95-95-953010-56770000-066-500544

Total Cost of Course(s):

\$960.00

State Share:

\$960.00

Source of Funds:

Employee Training, 100% General

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### **EXPLANATION**

The Department of Health and Human Services encourages and supports employees who wish to further their professional growth through continuing education in disciplines that are mutually advantageous.

Jane Gronbeck has been employed by the Department for fifteen years working in the Division of Public Health Services. She has held administrative positions in the NH Immunization Program, the NH Tuberculosis Program, and is currently a Programs Evaluation Specialist for the Infectious Disease Care Service Program, which includes the NH Ryan White CARE Program as well as the NH Tuberculosis Financial Assistance Program. Ms. Gronbeck has wide-ranging responsibilities including: review, monitor, and evaluation of contract budgets; review and approval of invoices and fiscal and statistical reports; audit medical claim forms for accuracy and redirect inaccurate claims; maintain contact with providers and nurse case managers to ensure continuity of service delivery to HIV clients. In her current role Ms. Gronbeck is a member of the program's Compliance Unit which is responsible for conducting annual site visits to contracted medical service providers ensuring adherence to programmatic, State, and federal standards of care. She corresponds with providers, case managers, and assists the Oversight and Monitoring Coordinator with writing site visit reports, statistical reports, and development of other programmatic materials.

This course, entitled Perspectives in the Social Sciences, focuses on fundamental aspects of human behavior among individuals, families, and society. Course outcomes include: develop questions about human behavior that inform personal assumptions, beliefs and values; research developments in the progression of social scientific thought; use social scientific research to address questions about human behavior; and, articulate the value of social sciences on contemporary issues. Ms. Gronbeck will apply this knowledge to her current responsibilities, strengthening her current skills. Knowledge gained through this course will be shared with colleagues so that all will benefit from her participation in this course.

Ms. Gronbeck's goal is to further enhance her professional, business, and analytical skills with the objective of completing a Bachelor of Science in Public Health.

This course will not be taken on State time.

Attached is a fully executed Tuition Agreement for your review.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Weaver,

Associate Commissioner, Operations

Approved by:

Commissioner



# THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE EDUCATIONAL TUITION AGREEMENT

Agreement dated this <u>10th</u> day of <u>May 2018</u> by and through the Department of Health and Human Services (hereinafter referred to as the "State) and <u>Jane Gronbeck</u> (hereinafter referred to as the "Recipient"). The **State** and the **Recipient** do hereby mutually agree as follows:

- 1. The State shall pay to the named institution the sum of \$960.00, which monies shall be used for the purpose of enrolling the Recipient in: Perspectives in the Social Sciences (course name), which course(s) is being offered by Southern New Hampshire University and which course(s) shall commence on July 2, 2018 and terminate on August 26, 2018.
- 2. The Recipient shall complete and achieve a passing grade in each course named in paragraph 1.
- 3. Should the Recipient fail to complete or achieve a passing grade in each course named in paragraph 1, the Recipient shall pay to the State the sum set forth in paragraph 1, provided, however, that if more than one course is named in paragraph 1, the amount which shall be paid to the State shall be calculated on a pro rata basis.
- 4. Upon the satisfactory completion of the courses named in paragraph 1, the Recipient shall continue in the employ of the State in his/her current position (or in such other position, at equal or greater compensation, to which he/she may be assigned) for a period of six (6) months.
- 5. The Recipient shall work in any area of the State to which he/she may be assigned, provided that such assignment will not constitute a severe hardship to said Recipient.
- 6. Should the Recipient breach any of the conditions set forth in paragraphs 4 and 5, the Recipient shall pay to the State a sum equal to all monies previously paid by the State for the Recipient pursuant to the Agreement, provided, however, that the Recipient shall receive a credit for each month in which he/she is employed by the State subsequent to the date upon which the named course(s) are satisfactorily completed, the value of said credit to be calculated on a pro rata basis.
- 7. The Recipient shall not raise any setoff or counterclaim against the State in any action brought by the State to collect any amount due under this agreement.
- 8. Should any amount be found to be due the State in any action brought against the Recipient pursuant to this Agreement, the State shall, in addition to said amount, be entitled to an award of costs and a reasonable amount in "attorney" fees.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the representatives of the State, in his/her official capacity only, and without personal liability, and the Recipient, have hereunto set their hands on the date first above written.

RECIPIENT (signati	ure) dance m. Wronkeck	(printed name) Jane Gronbeck
NOTARY	State of New Hampshire, County of Merr	
Gronbeck (reci	a day of May, 2018, before me, May, 2018, before me, me (or satisfactorily proven) acknowledged that he/she executed the same f	the undersigned officer, personally appeared, <u>Jane</u> to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within for the purposes herein contained.
In witness wher	reof I hereunto set my hand and official seal.	Notary Public Printice of the Peace

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

(signature) PIN WELLYA

(date) 6.518

ELIZABETH LOUISE BIRON Notary Public - New Hampshire My Commission Expires December 6, 2022

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