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**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
DIVISION FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**

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REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services, Division for Behavioral Health to budget and expend prior year carry forward Mental Health Data Collection funds in the amount of \$40,000.00 effective upon the date of Governor and Executive Council approval, through June 30, 2022, and further authorize the funds to be allocated as follows. 100% Other Funds.

05-92-92-922010-41210000 HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH AND HUMAN SVCS DEPT, HHS: BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIV, BUREAU OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, MENTAL HEALTH DATA COLLECTION

<u>Class</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>SFY22 Current Adjusted Authorized</u>	<u>Requested Action</u>	<u>Revised SFY22 Adjusted Authorized</u>
009 - 407079	Agency Income	\$194,053	\$40,000	\$234,053
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080 - 500710	Out of State Travel Reimbursement	\$1	\$0	\$1
102 - 500731	Contracts for Program Services	\$194,052	\$40,000	\$234,052
	Total	<u>\$194,053</u>	<u>\$40,000</u>	<u>\$234,053</u>

EXPLANATION

The Behavioral Health Services Information System (BHSIS) was developed by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) to meet statutory requirements for data collections and to support the data needed for Block Grant application requirements. The Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality (CBHSQ) at SAMHSA contracts with Hendell Inc. to encourage states/territories to develop and improve their mental health treatment services data systems providing funding through the BHSIS State Agreement. The funds are used for contracts with the Community Mental Health Centers for data infrastructure projects that facilitate reporting of data through the Phoenix reporting system and the Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths and Adult Needs and Strengths Assessment (CANS/ANSA) comprehensive assessment databases. Funds are also used for a contractor to continue conducting the annual Public Mental Health Consumer Survey, as required by SAMHSA. This annual survey collects anonymous responses from randomly selected adults and family members of children receiving mental health services throughout the 10 community mental health centers (CMHCs). Data is collected on indicators such as access, participation in treatment planning, quality of services, social connectedness, functioning, outcomes, general satisfaction, health and wellness and self determination. Results are reported at an aggregate statewide and regional basis. The purpose of the survey is two-fold: one, to gather

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input from adults and parents of children who use or have used public mental health services so that CMHC's can focus on improving their services, and two, to gather data required by SAMHSA to fulfill NH's Block Grant requirements. This budget and expend request is to add appropriations for the contracted services required by the Center for Mental Health Services.

The funds are to be budgeted as follows:

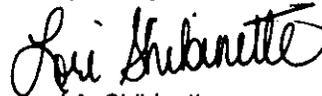
Funds in class 102, Contracts for Program Services, is used for contracts with the Community Mental Health Centers and a contractor to continue conducting the annual Public Mental Health Consumer Survey, as required by the Center for Mental Health Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) of the United States Department of Health and Human Services.

Area served: Statewide.

Source of Funds: 100% Other Funds

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

Respectfully submitted,



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