



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

for

EMERGENCY RELIEF AND RECOVERY

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December 6, 2021

The Honorable Karen Umberger, Chairman
Fiscal Committee of the General Court

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

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to RSA 14:30-a VI, authorize the Governor's Office For Emergency Relief and Recovery (GOFERR) to accept and expend in an amount not to exceed \$136,386 in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) State Fiscal Recovery Funds (SFRF) to fund the Behavioral Health, Dual Diagnosis Capability in Addiction Assessment Pilot Program that will provide training and consultation for developing, implementing, and sustaining evidence based practices in recovery oriented approach to mental health and substance use disorder treatment. This is an allowable use of ARP SFRF funds under Section 602 (c)(1)(A) to respond to the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts, effective upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Council approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds.**

Funds are to be budgeted in FY2022 in the following account:

<u>01-02-002-0202-24690000¹ ARP Grants and Disbursement</u>		<u>FY2022</u>	<u>FY2022</u>	<u>FY2022</u>
<u>CLASS</u>	<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>CURRENT MODIFIED BUDGET</u>	<u>BUDGET REQUEST</u>	<u>REVISED BUDGET</u>
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>				
040 – Indirect Costs	501587	\$717,750	\$2,500	\$720,250
041 – Audit Fund Set Aside	500801	\$102,831	\$136	\$102,967
042 – Additional Fringe Benefits	500620	\$60,500	\$0	\$60,500
072 – Grants Federal	500575	\$44,255,000	\$133,750	\$44,388,750
103 – Contracts for Op Services	502507	\$3,500,000	\$0	\$3,500,000
<u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u>		\$48,636,081	\$136,386	\$48,772,467
<u>SOURCE OF FUNDS</u>				
000 – Federal Funds	400338	\$48,636,081	\$136,386	\$48,772,467
<u>TOTAL REVENUE</u>		\$48,636,081	\$136,386	\$48,772,467

EXPLANATION

¹ All direct program costs will be accounted for using activity 00FRF602PH0212A and all administrative and indirect costs will be accounted for using activity 00FRF602PH0212Z. Accounting classifications may be subject to technical changes at the discretion of the Department of Administrative Services' Division of Accounting Services.

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Approval of this funding will provide training and consultation for developing, implementing and sustaining evidence-based practices in a recovery-oriented approach to mental health and substance-use disorder treatment. GOFERR seeks to do a sole source subaward to The Farnum Center, a nonprofit in comprehensive alcohol and other drug rehab that offers a full continuum of care including Detoxification, Residential, Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT), Outpatient, and Telehealth programs and annually serves over 5000 New Hampshire residents enrolled in Medicaid or uninsured. The subaward will be used by the Farnum Center to engage the Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation Butler Center for Research (HBF) to strengthen evidence-based practice through assessment, training and technical support for Dual-Diagnosis Capability in Addiction Treatment (DDCAT). More specifically, HBF will perform an assessment, which will include examination of clinical and organizational processes through the lens of the Consolidated Framework for Implementation Research (CFIR), to identify and understand what works, what doesn't, and the barriers preventing the organization from reaching their patient-centered goals. At the beginning of the project, Farnum will seek input from DHHS on establishing benchmarks, goals, measure principals and outcome measures. The DDCAT and CFIR findings will be compiled in a report, along with suggested evidence-based next steps for Farnum Center to consider and share with DHHS. As the reviews are completed, a follow-up consultation is conducted with key executive and operational leadership, including quality and/or compliance leads to map out next steps and priorities, resulting in a customized roadmap for implementation and training. The roadmap for implementation and training will be provided to DHHS and the Governor's Commission on Alcohol and Other Drugs.

Due in part to social distancing during the COVID pandemic, Farnum served an increasing number of patients via out-patient and telehealth services. It also saw an increase in patients with SUD and co-occurring mental health disorders. Farnum's participation in the program will benefit all all of its programs, in-patient and out-patient and allow it to better serve SUD patients with co-occurring mental health disorders.

Cost assumptions:

The \$133,750 budget is for contract expenses:

- \$35,000 DDCAT Assessment and Plan Development
- \$63,000 Training and Technical Support
- \$20,000 Project Management
- \$15,750 Travel and Reimbursable Expenses

ARPA funding is requested to address the public health needs to respond to the pandemic. More specifically, the applicable expenditure categories are EC 1.12 Other Public Health Services. These are allowable uses of ARP FRF funds under Section 602(c)(1)(A) to respond to the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts.

Funds are being budgeted in the classes listed below as follows:

Class 040 – Indirect Costs to recover, per by RSA 21-I:75, a proportional share of the outside funding source to alleviate agency indirect costs.

Class 041 – Audit Fund Set Aside to comply with RSA 124:16 that requires all agencies that receive federal funds to set aside a percentage (0.1%) of the federal revenue amount received to pay for financial and compliance audits.

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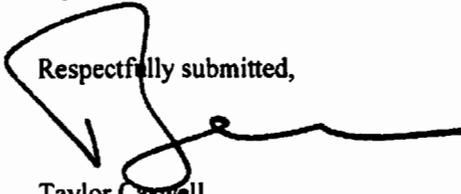
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Class 072 – Grants-Federal to provide funding for grants to sub-grantees.

This is an allowable use of ARP FRF funds under Section 602 (c)(1)(A) to respond to the public health emergency or its negative economic impacts.

In the event that Federal Funds become no longer available, General Funds will not be requested to support this program.

Respectfully submitted,

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Taylor Caswell,
Executive Director, GOFERR