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January 13, 2022

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

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Education (DOE), Bureau of Student Wellness, to enter into a **Sole Source** Cooperative Project Agreement (CPA) with Keene State College, (VC# 315187) Keene, NH in an amount not to exceed \$694,919.90 to provide external evaluation services and technical assistance for the School Climate Transformation Grant effective upon Governor and Council approval through September 30, 2023. 100% Federal Funds

Funds to support this request are available in the account titled School Climate Transformation for FY22, and FY23, and anticipated to be available in FY24, upon the approval and continued appropriation of funds in the future operating budget, with the authority to adjust encumbrances between Fiscal Years through the Budget Office without further Governor and Council approval, if needed and justified.

	<u>FY22</u>	<u>FY23</u>	<u>FY24</u>	<u>Total</u>
06-56-56-562010-23700000-102-500731	\$308,853.29	\$308,853.29	\$77,213.32	\$694,919.90
Contract for Program Services				

EXPLANATION

The Department is requesting a **Sole Source** Cooperative Project Agreement with Keene State College (KSC) due to the Federal Grant requirement that the Department identify an external evaluator prior to submitting the application. The purpose of this agreement is to support the expansion of New Hampshire's School Climate Transformation Grant to each of the participating Local Education Agencies (LEA's) as follows: Support LEA's with the fidelity of

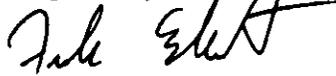
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implementation and expansion of a multi-tiered behavioral frame-work (MTSS-B); collect and report data in an effort to meet grant requirements, and provide training and Technical Assistance to project partners.

The Behavioral Health Improvement Institute (BHII) at Keene State College will provide ongoing evaluation support for the School Climate Transformation Grant including, but not limited to: Daily and weekly data collection from participating LEAs, monthly and as needed calls and meeting with Department of Education staff, twice annual district-wide, and twice-annual project-wide evaluation meetings. Monthly project reports will be submitted to the Department of Education summarizing and analyzing evaluation efforts in an effort to fulfill grant requirements.

In the event that Federal Funds become unavailable, General Funds will not be requested to support this program.

Respectfully submitted,



Frank Edelblut
Commissioner of Education



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Denis Goulet
Commissioner

January 27, 2022

Frank Edelblut, Commissioner
Department of Education
State of New Hampshire
101 Pleasant Street
Concord, NH 03301

Dear Commissioner Edelblut:

This letter represents formal notification that the Department of Information Technology (DoIT) has approved your agency's request to enter into a Cooperative Project Agreement with Keene State College Keene, NH, as described below and referenced as DoIT No. 2022-112.

This is a request to enter into a sole source Cooperative Project Agreement (CPA) with Keene State College (KSC). The Behavioral Health Improvement Institute (BHII) at Keene State College will serve as the external evaluator and technical assistance provider for the State Educational Agency School Climate Transformation Grant. BHII works with community partners to improve community and behavioral health practice and outcomes for underserved populations. Data collected through this CPA will be used for the purposes of meeting state and federal accountability requirements.

The funding amount is not to exceed \$694,919.90 and shall become effective upon Governor and Council approval through September 30, 2023.

A copy of this letter should accompany the Department of Education's submission to the Governor and Executive Council for approval.

Sincerely,

Denis Goulet

DG/RA
DoIT #2022-112

cc: Douglas Schelb, DoIT

COOPERATIVE PROJECT AGREEMENT
between the
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE, Department of Education
and the

Keene State College of the UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

A. This Cooperative Project Agreement (hereinafter "Project Agreement") is entered into by the State of New Hampshire, **Department of Education**, (hereinafter "State"), Department of Education and the University System of New Hampshire, acting through Keene State College, (hereinafter "Campus"), for the purpose of undertaking a project of mutual interest. This Cooperative Project shall be carried out under the terms and conditions of the Master Agreement for Cooperative Projects between the State of New Hampshire and the University System of New Hampshire dated November 13, 2002, except as may be modified herein.

B. This Project Agreement and all obligations of the parties hereunder shall become effective on the date the Governor and Executive Council of the State of New Hampshire approve this Project Agreement ("Effective date") and shall end on 9/30/2023. If the provision of services by Campus precedes the Effective date, all services performed by Campus shall be performed at the sole risk of Campus and in the event that this Project Agreement does not become effective, State shall be under no obligation to pay Campus for costs incurred or services performed; however, if this Project Agreement becomes effective, all costs incurred prior to the date that would otherwise be allowable shall be paid under the terms of this Project Agreement.

C. The work to be performed under the terms of this Project Agreement is described in the proposal identified below and attached to this document as Exhibit A, the content of which is incorporated herein as a part of this Project Agreement.

Project Title: School Climate Transformation Grant (SCTG).

D. The following individuals are designated as Project Administrators. These Project Administrators shall be responsible for the business aspects of this Project Agreement and all invoices, payments, project amendments and related correspondence shall be directed to the individuals so designated.

State Project Administrator	Campus Project Administrator
Name: Jen Doris	Name: Karen Jensen
Address: NH Department of Education 101 Pleasant Street Concord, NH 03301	Address: 51 College Road, Service Building 111A Durham NH 03824
Phone: 603-271-4018	Phone: 603-862-2172

E. The following Individuals are designated as Project Directors. These Project Directors shall be responsible for the technical leadership and conduct of the project. All progress reports, completion reports and related correspondence shall be directed to the individuals so designated.

State Project Director	Campus Project Director
Name: Jen Doris	Name: Megan Phillips
Address: NH Department of Education 101 Pleasant Street Concord, NH 03301	Address: Behavioral Health Improvement Institute, Keene State College, 229 Main Street Keene, New Hampshire 03435
Phone: 603-271-4018	Phone: 802-275-8395

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F. Total Federal funds in the amount of \$694,919.90 subsequent years to be allotted and are available for payment of allowable costs incurred under this Project Agreement. State will not reimburse Campus for costs exceeding the amount specified in this paragraph.

Check if applicable.

Campus will cost-share Click here to enter text. % of total costs during the term of this Project Agreement.

Federal funds paid to Campus under this Project Agreement are from Grant/Contract/Cooperative Agreement No. SM-16-009 from Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse Services Administration under CFDA# 93.104. Federal regulations required to be passed through to Campus as part of this Project Agreement, and in accordance with the Master Agreement for Cooperative Projects between the State of New Hampshire and the University System of New Hampshire dated November 13, 2002, are attached to this document as Exhibit B, the content of which is incorporated herein as a part of this Project Agreement.

G. Check if applicable

Article(s) _____ of the Master Agreement for Cooperative Projects between the State of New Hampshire and the University System of New Hampshire dated November 13, 2002 is/are hereby amended to read:
Click here to enter text.

H. State has chosen not to take possession of equipment purchased under this Agreement.

State has chosen to take possession of equipment purchased under this Project Agreement and will issue instructions for the disposition of such equipment within 90 days of the Project Agreement's end-date. Any expenses incurred by Campus in carrying out State's requested disposition will be fully reimbursed by State.

This Project Agreement and the Master Agreement constitute the entire agreement between State and Campus regarding this Cooperative Project, and supersede and replace any previously existing arrangements, oral or written; all changes herein must be made by written amendment and executed for the parties by their authorized officials.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the University System of New Hampshire, acting through the Keene State College and the State of New Hampshire, Department of Education have executed this Project Agreement.

By An Authorized Official of:	By An Authorized Official of:
Keene State College	Department of Education
Name: Karen Jensen	Name: Frank Edelblut
Title: Director, Pre-Award Compliance	Title: Commissioner of Education
Signature and Date: <i>Karen Jensen</i> 1/21/2022	Signature and Date: <i>Frank Edelblut</i> 1/27/2022

By An Authorized Official of:	By An Authorized Official of:
The New Hampshire Office of the Attorney General	The New Hampshire Governor & Executive Council
Name: Christopher Bond	Name:
Title: Attorney	Title:
Signature and Date: <i>Christopher Bond</i> 1/28/2022	Signature and Date:

Campus Authorized Official KJ
Date 1/21/2022

EXHIBIT A

A. Project Title: School Climate Transformation Grant (SCTG)

B. Project Period: Upon Governor & Council approval through 9/30/2023

C. Objectives: Keene State College (KSC) will provide the New Hampshire Department of Education, (DOE) Office of Social & Emotional Wellness (OSEW) with the following services to support School Climate Transformation Grant for evaluation, data and reporting and technical assistance to DOE and the Local Education Agencies (LEA's) associated with this grant.

D. Scope of Work: Keene State College (KSC) (Vendor Code 315187) shall provide:

1. OSEW meetings, (BHII) team meetings; others as required/necessary
2. Timely responses to project stakeholders via email, phone, zoom as needed
3. Ongoing development and refinement of the Multi-Tiered Systems of Support for Behavioral Health and Wellness (MTSS-B) Toolkit
4. Expansion of MTSS-B Technical Assistance Center website, online portal functionality, branding, and technical assistance infrastructure
5. Annual and ongoing weekly MTSS-B framework training for MTSS-B Consultants and other project stakeholders
6. Enhancement & maintenance of custom Quickbase platform to support data collection
7. Routine data capture and integrity reviews
8. Evaluation manual, training, ongoing technical assistance and support
9. Extracting, cleaning, merging, and manipulating data
10. Descriptive & inferential analyses; creation of charts, dashboard, visual depictions of data
11. Facilitating reflection and learning, data-based decision making, quality improvement
12. Presentations, infographics, reports for funder/project stakeholders
13. Presentations, infographics, reports for external stakeholders (e.g., policymakers)
14. Office supplies required for evaluation work: postage, copies, etc, computer equipment required for evaluation work: laptop computers and related equipment (e.g., videoconference cameras, monitors, computer accessories/cords/chargers, etc.)

E. Deliverables Schedule: The Behavioral Health Improvement Institute (BHII) at Keene State College will provide ongoing evaluation and technical assistance support for the School Climate Transformation grant including, but not limited to:

Domain	Activities	Budget			
		FY22	FY23	FY24	Total
Meetings & collaboration	Project & evaluation team meetings, others as required/necessary; regular check-in meetings with OSEW stakeholders; timely responses to project stakeholders via email, phone, zoom; collaboration with Cookson Communications re: TA Center website portal	\$21,619.73	\$21,619.73	\$5,404.93	\$48,644.39

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MTSS-B Community of Practice	Development and facilitation of quarterly CoP meetings to support cross-fertilization and resource sharing for school district and community partners	\$43,239.46	\$43,239.46	\$10,809.87	\$97,288.79
MTSS-B Coaching training & support	MTSS-B Consultant practice consultation; design of MTSS-B Coach Certification, including coach training series and certification system	\$61,770.66	\$61,770.66	\$15,442.66	\$138,983.98
MTSS-B Framework training	MTSS-B framework training for district project managers, other school/district/community stakeholders	\$46,327.99	\$46,327.99	\$11,582.00	\$104,237.99
MTSS-B school/district recognition system	Design of school/district recognition system for MTSS-B implementation progress	\$18,531.20	\$18,531.20	\$4,632.80	\$41,695.19
MTSS-B Toolkit development	Enhancement of MTSS-B Toolkit, including knowledge translation, tools, and implementation strategies in family/youth voice & engagement; substance misuse prevention; equity & inclusion	\$46,327.99	\$46,327.99	\$11,582.00	\$104,237.99
Data collection & platform	Maintenance of custom Quickbase app, user seats; Routine data capture and integrity reviews; Evaluation manual updates, training, data collection technical assistance	\$24,708.26	\$24,708.26	\$6,177.07	\$55,593.59
Reporting, dissemination, quality improvement	Facilitation of reflection, data-based decision-making, quality improvement; Quarterly and annual evaluation reporting to USDOE in line with reporting requirements; reporting to project stakeholders; data visualization software for data analysis and reporting; Presentations, infographics, reports for project/state stakeholders	\$46,327.99	\$46,327.99	\$11,582.00	\$104,237.99
		\$308,853.29	\$308,853.29	\$77,213.32	\$694,919.90

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F. Budget and Invoicing Instructions:

Limitation on Price: Upon mutual agreement between the state contracting officer and the contractor, line items in this budget may be adjusted one to another, but in no case shall the total budget exceed the price limitation of \$694,919.90.

Funding Source: Funds to support this request are available in the account titled School Climate Transformation Grant for FY22, and FY23, and anticipated to be available in FY24, upon the approval and continued appropriation of funds in the future operating budget, with the authority to adjust encumbrances between Fiscal Years through the Budget Office without further Governor and Council approval, if needed and justified.

Method of Payment: Payment will be made by monthly, invoiced to match deliverables by the 10th day of each month. Invoices shall detail a summary of activities that have taken place in accordance with the terms of the contract. Invoice template will be provided by the Office of Social & Emotional Wellness. Invoices and reports should be sent to:

Attn: Jen Doris
NH Department of Education
Office of Social & Emotional Wellness
101 Pleasant Street
Concord, NH 03301

EXHIBIT B

This Project Agreement is funded under a Grant/Contract/Cooperative Agreement to State from the Federal sponsor specified in Project Agreement article F. All applicable requirements, regulations, provisions, terms and conditions of this Federal Grant/Contract/Cooperative Agreement are hereby adopted in full force and effect to the relationship between State and Campus, except that wherever such requirements, regulations, provisions and terms and conditions differ for INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER EDUCATION, the appropriate requirements should be substituted (e.g., OMB Circular Uniform Guidance). References to Contractor or Recipient in the Federal language will be taken to mean Campus; references to the Government or Federal Awarding Agency will be taken to mean Government/Federal Awarding Agency or State or both, as appropriate.

Special Federal provisions are listed here: None

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Date 1/21/2022