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The Honorable Ken Weyler, Chairman
Fiscal Committee of the General Court and

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, and RSA 124:15, the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) is seeking approval to amend the accept and expend of American Rescue Plan (ARP), Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, (CCRSA), and Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES) requests identified in Attachment A by extending the end date for funding and extending authorization for positions created in relation to the acceptance of funds from these Acts, from June 30, 2023, to the dates identified in Attachment A, effective upon approval of the Fiscal Committee and the Governor and Executive Council. 100% Federal Funds.

EXPLANATION

The Department of Health and Human Services is seeking approval of the items listed in Attachment A relative to the American Rescue Plan (ARP), Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, (CCRSA), and Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES) requests to manage the significant number of retroactive submissions that would be required at the start of the State Fiscal Year 2024, all with the same requested action. These funds have been authorized by the federal government beyond June 30, 2023. By approving this request, the Department will be able to avoid the risk of halting time sensitive projects and issuing layoff notices to employees in temporary positions.

Typically, Agencies will budget for known federal grants anticipated in the upcoming biennial budget; however, statewide budget guidance issued in August 2022 instructed Agencies to remove all federal relief funding related to the COVID-19 pandemic from their State Fiscal Year 2024/2025 budget submissions.

This request serves only to extend the authorization for use of the funds and continuation of positions for the purposes approved by Fiscal Committee and Governor and Council. Any request to reallocate an existing budget or repurpose funds for new or existing projects will be submitted by DHHS for future Fiscal Committee and Governor and Council approvals.

In the event that federal funds are no longer available, General Funds will not be requested to support these programs.

Respectfully submitted,

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ADDITIONAL FEDERAL COVID RELATED FUNDS
BIENNIUM ENDING JUNE 30, 2023
Attachment A
Fiscal Committee Approvals Through 03/24/2023

Item #	Meeting	Department	Approval F/G	Chapter // RSA Reference	General	Federal	Other	Total	Positions Established		Comments	ACT	Completion Date	AU #	9TS Positions to Continue
21-341	Nov'21	DHHS - Office of the Commissioner	F	RSA 14:30-a, VI		$49,750	$0	$49,750			Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services, Long Term Care Ombudsman to accept and expend a grant from the (OMC6) American Rescue Plan (ARP) for Ombudsman Program under Title VII of the Older Americans Act.	ARPA	9/30/2024	2486	NA
21-150	June'21	DHHS - Division of Economic & Housing Stability	F	RSA 14:30-a, VI		$47,657,076		$47,657,076			Child Care Stabilization grant funds available for SFY 2021 under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 · or the "ARP A 2021" (Public Law 117-002)	ARPA	9/30/2023	2430	N/A
21-064	Apr'21	DHHS - Division of Economic & Housing Stability	F	RSA 14:30-a, VI		$3,627,506		$3,627,506			Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) under Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), Public Law 116-136.	CARES	9/30/2023	7148	N/A
21-152	June'21	DHHS - Division of Economic & Housing Stability	F	RSA 14:30-a, VI		$29,736,767		$29,736,767			Child Care Development Fund Program under the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 or the "ARP A 2021" (Public Law 117-002)	ARPA	9/30/2024	2429	N/A
21-066	Apr'21	DHHS - Division of Economic & Housing Stability	F	RSA 14:30-a, VI		$19,867,522		$19,867,522			Child Care Development Fund Program under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Act or the "CRRSA 2021" (Public Law 116-260)	CCRSA	9/30/2023	2977	N/A
22-071	Feb'22	DHHS - Division of Public Health Services	F/G	EO 2020-04, as extended by EO 2020-05, 2020-08, 2020-09, 2020-10, 2020-14, 2020-15, 2020-16, 2020-17, 2020-18, 2020-20, 2020-21, 2020-23, 2020-24, 2020-25, 2021-01, 2021-02 & 2021-04		$71,147,969		$71,147,969	1		Governor authorized the DHHS, DPHS, to accept funds from the CDC, entitled ELC under the CARES Act - Enhancing Detection Expansion Governor approved 3/19/21	CARES	7/31/2024	1901	9T3016
22-169	May'22	DHHS - Division of Public Health Services	F	RSA 14:30-a, VI & RSA 124:15	$0	$651,604	$0	$651,604	0	0	Federal Funds from the CDC, entitled Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) to fund the Infection Prevention and Control Program under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act. 1 position continued.	CARES	7/31/2024	1936	9T3077
22-209	Jun'22	DHHS - Division of Public Health Services	F	RSA 14:30-a, VI	$0	$571,277	$0	$571,277			Home visiting funds from ARPA. 2nd Round of funding	ARPA	9/30/2024	2451	

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23-029	Jan'23	DHHS - Division of Public Health Services	F	RSA 14:30-a, VI	$0	$2,251,560		$2,251,560			Governor authorized the DHHS, DPHS, to accept funds from the CDC, entitled ELC under the ARP Act - AMD, WGS, NWSS	ARPA	7/31/2024	2699	
21-100	May'21	DHHS - Division of Public Health Services	F	Pursuant to RSA 21-P:43; RSA 4:45; RSA 4:47; and Executive Order 2020-04 as extended by Executive Orders 2020-05, 2020-08, 2020-09, 2020-10, 2020-14, 2020-15, 2020-16, 2020-17, 2020-18, 2020-20, 2020-21, 2020-23, 2020-24, 2020-25, 2021-01 AND 2021-02	$0	$11,106,000	$0	$11,106,000	3		Governor Sununu has authorized the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health Services to Accept and expend funds from Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) entitled Immunization and Vaccines for Children, under the Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act in the amount of $11,106,000 effective upon date of approval through June 30, 2021.	CARES	6/30/2024	1956	9T3111, 9T3112, and 9T3162