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August 8, 2023

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, NH 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to RSA 14:30-a, VI, authorize the Department of Health and Human Services to accept and expend additional other income, Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) Audit Recoupment revenue, in the amount of \$44,928,833, to ensure that receipts from overpayments are distributed to the underpaid hospitals as required per New Hampshire's Medicaid's State Plan, effective upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Council approval through June 30, 2025, and further authorize the allocation of these funds in the account below. 100% Other Funds (DSH Audit Recoupment).

**05-95-47-470010-63660000, HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH AND HUMAN SVCS
DEPT OF HHS: DIVISION OF MEDICAID SERVICES, OFC OF MEDICAID SERVICES,
UNCOMPENSATED CARE REDISTRIBUTION**

CLASS OBJ GROUP	CLASS TITLE	Current Authorized Budget	Increase / (Decrease) Amount	Revised Authorized Budget
005-405242-04	DSH Audit Recoupment	\$0	\$44,928,833	\$44,928,833
Total Revenue		\$0	\$44,928,833	\$44,928,833
515-500357	Hospital Uncomp Care Pool	\$0	\$44,928,833	\$44,928,833
Total Expense		\$0	\$44,928,833	\$44,928,833

EXPLANATION

The Department requests to accept other funds to be exclusively used for processing the redistribution of Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH-Uncompensated Care) payments. The Department is required to have independent audits of DSH payments, per Section 1923(j) of the Social Security Act. However, Federal and state litigation has prevented the Department from conducting the reconciliation and redistribution process for DSH since State Fiscal Year 2011. The funds in this accounting unit will provide for increased public transparency to ensure that receipts from overpayments are distributed to the underpaid hospitals as required per New Hampshire's Medicaid's State Plan. For context, the State Plan

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and all amendments are approved by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) and represents the agreement between New Hampshire and CMS detailing the nature and scope of the state's Medicaid plan.

This request is similar to the item previously approved by the Fiscal Committee on May 19, 2023 (FIS 23-153), and the Governor and Council on May 17, 2023 (#14). Approval of this request will result in a net-zero dollar impact as the Department will pass through collections and payments to and from hospitals to redistribute overpayments and underpayments related to Disproportionate Share Hospital uncompensated care (DSH). There were not any collections or payments made during State Fiscal Year 2023 due to additional calculations needing to be completed prior to the reconciliation of the 2011-2017 redistribution. This accounting unit was not included in the biennial budget ending June 30, 2025.

The funds will be budgeted as follows:

Class 515 Funds to be redistributed to underpaid hospitals per New Hampshire's Medicaid State Plan.

Respectfully submitted,



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