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

REQUESTED ACTION

For inclusion on the Governor and Council Consent Calendar, pursuant to MOP 1200, I. D., authorize the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health Services, to pay the Association of Public Health Nurses (VC#265751), Westerville, Ohio in the amount of \$5,000 for annual membership dues, effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval for the period of September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2025. 100% Federal Funds.

05-95-90-903010-18350000 HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, HHS: PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION, BUREAU OF LABORATORY SERVICES, NH ELC

State Fiscal Year	Class / Account	Job Number	Class Title	Total Amount
2025	026-500251	90183538	Organizational Dues	\$5,000
			Total	\$5,000

EXPLANATION

Approval of this request will enable the State's public health nurses to access membership resources, network, exchange ideas, and access resources. The Association of Public Health Nurses (APHN) is a member of the Council of Public Health Nursing Organizations. The Council provides voice and visibility for public health nurses and advocates for excellence in public health nursing education, practice, leadership, and research. APHN is an affiliate of the Association of State & Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO). Organizational membership dues cover all public health nurses serving in population-focused roles and provides them membership to APHN.

Listed below are answers to standard questions required for Governor and Executive Council organization dues and membership approval submissions.

1. How long has this organization been in existence and how long has this agency been a member of this organization?

The Association of Public Health Nurses began as the Association of State and Territorial Directors of Nursing (ASTDN) in 1935. On July 1, 2012, the name of the association was changed to The Association of Public Health Nurses (APHN) to better reflect the expanded membership. The State of New Hampshire became members of APHN starting in 2023. This request is to continue

membership for an additional year.

2. Is there any other organization that provides the same or similar benefits which your agency belongs to?

No. APHN is unique and specific to the practice of public health nurses.

3. How many other states belong to this organization and is your agency the sole New Hampshire state agency that is a member?

Currently there are six (6) other state health departments with organizational memberships. The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services is the only state agency in New Hampshire requesting an organizational membership. The membership also covers nurses in the Department of Corrections.

4. How is the dues structure established? (Standard fee for all states, based on population, based on other criteria, etc.)

The APHN determines the annual dues for Organizational Members based on population served.

5. What benefit does the state receive from participating in this membership?

The benefits outlined below enable public health nurses to be aware of current information and gain knowledge to help promote and protect the health of the population.

- o APHN provides opportunities for continuing education through webinars and an annual national conference.
- o APHN also provides opportunities for networking through conference calls, meetings, and opportunities to receive and provide mentorship in public health nursing practice and leadership.
- o Additionally, APHN provides opportunities to access resources such as free postings on the APHN Career Board and cost savings for members seeking to become Certified in Public Health (CPH).

6. Are training or educational research materials included in the membership? If so, is the cost included? Explain in detail.

Yes. APHN provides educational webinars at no additional cost to members.

7. Is the membership required in order to receive any federal grants or required in order to receive or participate in licensing or certification exams? Explain.

No.

8. Is there any travel included with this membership fee? Explain in detail any travel to include the number of employees involved, the number of trips, destination if known and purposes of membership supported trips.

No, there is no travel included with the membership fee.

9. Which state agency employees are directly involved with this organization? (Indicate if they are

members, voting members, committee members, and/or officers of the organization.)

Public Health Nurses from the Department of Corrections and the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health Services and Division for Children, Youth and Families are currently members under the state's organizational membership.

10. Explain in detail any negative impact to the State if the Agency did not belong to this organization.

Should this request not be authorized, the Agency would no longer be able to access the resources provided by this national organization. This includes relationship building for the incorporation of national best practices, training opportunities, recruitment efforts, and continuing education.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Lori A. Weaver". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping initial "L" and "W".

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State of New Hampshire, Division of Public Health
Services
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Invoice # 5286
Invoice Date 05/15/2024
Invoice Due Due Upon Receipt

Amount Due	\$ 5,000.00
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Transactions

Description	Amount
APHN Contributing Organizational Membership Renewal 09/01/2024-08/31/2025	\$ 5,000.00

Total Amount	\$ 5,000.00
Amount Paid	-\$ 0.00
Amount Due	\$ 5,000.00

If paying by check, remit to:

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