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May 28, 2026

Her Excellency, Governor Kelly A. Ayotte
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Authorize the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Medicaid Services, to pay the National Association of Medicaid Directors (VC#219980), Washington, DC in the amount of \$11,360 for annual membership dues effective upon Governor and Council approval, for the period from July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027. Funding source: 50% Federal Funds, 50% General Funds.

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DEPT, HHS: DIVISION OF MEDICAID SERVICES, OFC MEDICAID SERVICES, MEDICAID
ADMINISTRATION**

State Fiscal Year	Class / Account	Class Title	Job Number	Total Amount
2027	026-500251	Organizational Dues	47000000	\$11,360

EXPLANATION

Approval of this request will enable the State to pay annual membership dues to NAMD (National Association of Medicaid Directors) for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027. NAMD Association is a nonpartisan, professional, nonprofit organization of state Medicaid agencies. NAMD is comprised of all 56 Medicaid programs across the 50 states, the District of Columbia, and the U.S. territories.

NAMD's Board of Directors is representative of Medicaid programs across the country and currently includes Medicaid Directors from California, the District of Columbia, Georgia, Iowa, Louisiana, Maine, Michigan, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Oregon, Texas, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.

NAMD has relationships with Medicaid leaders across the country and connects the Center for Medicaid and CHIP Services to the day-to-day experience and operational expertise of states and territories, in support of solving problems and ensuring that Medicaid is accountable, efficient and cost-effective.

The organization brings together the nationwide community of state and territory Medicaid leaders through closely held regional calls and affinity groups that meet monthly to enable of-the-minute sharing of operational realities, impact of federal policies, and identification of emerging needs and trends. The work of NAMD includes state programming, federal policy and events. In addition, NAMD serves as a convener

and conduit to real-time state and territory experience, gathering New Medicaid Directors, Chief Financial Officers, Chief Information Officers, Eligibility Leaders, and Communications Leaders on a regular basis.

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 National Association of State Medicaid Directors was established in 1979 as an Affiliate of the American Public Human Services Association. In 2011 it was reorganized as the National Association of Medicaid Directors to represent and support Medicaid Directors, and to focus exclusively on Medicaid support to the states. The Department has been a member since SFY 2004.

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

No

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

Fifty (50) states, territories and the District of Columbia belong to National Association of Medicaid Directors. The Division of Medicaid Services is the sole agency that is a member for the State of New Hampshire.

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

The dues structure is standardized based on a calibrated structure sized to state specific Medicaid enrolled population, sourced from federal reports.

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

The State benefits from participating in the National Association of Medicaid Directors because it represents the bipartisan views of state Medicaid programs in federal policy processes; serves as a focal point of communication between the states and the federal government; provides an information network among the states on issues pertinent to the Medicaid program; provides rapid assessment of changes in federal policy and regulations; and leverages and promotes expertise across states to improve state Medicaid programs, policies, and operations. Membership provides the Department with informational and program resources which far exceed the annual costs.

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

The National Association of Medicaid Directors produces briefs and conducts trainings via conference calls and webinars on specific aspects of federal policy or regulations. The cost is included in the membership.

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.

The National Association of Medicaid Directors sponsors two national meetings yearly. Historically, all travel related expenses have been covered by grants to the National Association of Medicaid Directors from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

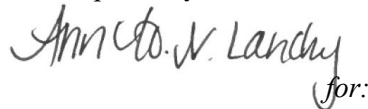
9. Which state agency employees are directly involved with this organization? (Indicate if they are members, voting members, committee members, and/or officers of the organization.).

Henry D. Lipman, Medicaid Director, Department of Health & Human Services, is a member, and serves on the organizations Board and Chair its Finance Committee.

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

Should the Governor and Executive Council not approve this request, the Department would lose its primary point of contact with the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Not having this point of contact would affect the Department's ability to respond to changes in federal regulations in a timely manner, and its ability to leverage other States' experiences administering the Medicaid program. Without this membership, the Department may not be able to promote and preserve New Hampshire's federal policy interests relative to grants and funding and may not have access to assistance with meeting the federal requirements to secure future funding.

Respectfully Submitted,



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DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
NAMD FY27 Membership Dues: July 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027	\$11,360.00
TOTAL	\$11,360.00

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MEDICAID DIRECTORS