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STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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July 29, 2026

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

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

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to the provisions of RSA 14:30-a, VI, authorize the Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Commissioner, to accept and expend $334,825 from the federal Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Child Care Supplemental Non-Disaster Discretionary funds American Relief Act of 2025, to supplement the State's Child Care Development Fund program effective upon Fiscal Committee and Governor and Executive Council approval through June 30, 2027, and authorize the allocation of these funds in the account(s) below. 100% Federal Funds.

05-95-045-451110-77230000 HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH AND HUMAN SVCS DEPT, HHS: DIV ECONOMIC STABILITY, CHILD DEVELOPMENT, CCDF AMERICAN RELIEF ACT

Class/Object	Class Title	SFY 27 Budget	Increase (Decrease) Amount	Revised Budget
Revenue				
000-403944-16	Federal Funds	$ 75,886	$ 334,825	$ 410,711
	General Funds	$ -	$ -	$ -
	Total Revenue:	$ 75,886	$ 334,825	$ 410,711
Expense				
041-500801	Audit Fund Set Aside	$ 411	$ -	$ 411
102-500731	Contracts For Program Svcs	$ 75,475	$ 334,825	$ 410,300
	Total Expense:	$ 75,886	$ 334,825	$ 410,711

EXPLANATION

The Department of Health and Human Services requests to accept and expend the unobligated balance of the Child Care Development Fund-Child Care Supplemental Non-Disaster Discretionary Funds American Relief Act of 2025 to supplement child care initiatives. The balance of the funds will be utilized to improve the New Hampshire Connections Information System, the workforce management system used by child care providers, to comply with Section 508 of the Americans with Disabilities Act under the ADA Title II rule which enforces equivalent digital accessibility requirements for public-facing digital assets, including websites, online forms, event calendars, meeting minutes, PDFs, Word documents, and mobile apps and must be completed by April 2027. Additionally, funding will be used for system changes to New Heights to add sanctions for clients that commit child care fraud as required by 45 CFR 98.68(b)(2) and changes to New Heights for the removal of the exemption of income for legal guardians as required by 45 CFR 98.20(a)(2).

Funds will be budgeted as follows:

Class 102 - CONTRACTS FOR PROGRAM SERVIC	System updates for NHCIS & New Heights

Source of Funds: 100% Federal Funds.

The Department may request General Funds in the event that Federal Funds are no longer available and services are still needed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Morin Horn *For:*

Lori A. Weaver
Commissioner

Department of Health and Human Services
Administration for Children and Families

Notice of Award
Award # 2501NHCCDY
FAIN# 2501NHCCDY
Federal Award Date: January 13, 2025

Recipient Information

1. Recipient Name
NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
129 Pleasant Drive

CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE 03301 6505

2. Congressional District of Recipient
*See Remarks

3. Payment Account Number and Type
*See Remarks

4. Employer Identification Number (EIN)
1026000618B3

5. Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS)
011040545

6. Recipient's Unique Entity Identifier
LA2HR1U97VC6

7. Project Director or Principal Investigator
Grant Administrator

8. Authorized Official
*See Remarks

Federal Agency Information

9. Awarding Agency Contact Information
Kathleen Carey
Supervisory Grants Management Specialist
Kathleen.carey@acf.hhs.gov
646-905-8126

10. Program Official Contact Information
Ruth Friedman
Director
Office of Child Care
ruth.friedman@acf.hhs.gov
202-690-6782

Federal Award Information

11. Award Number
2501NHCCDY

12. Unique Federal Award Identification Number (FAIN)
2501NHCCDY

13. Statutory Authority
H.R.10545 - American Relief Act, 2025

14. Federal Award Project Title
*See Remarks

15. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number
93.575

16. CFDA Program Title
Child Care and Development Block Grant

17. Award Action Type
New

18. Is the Award R&D?
*See Remarks

Summary Federal Award Financial Information

19. Budget Period Start Date 12-21-2024	**End Date** 09-30-2028
20. Total Amount of Federal Funds Obligated by this Action	$476,777.00
20a. Direct Cost Amount	*See Remarks
20b. Indirect Cost Amount Administrative Offset	*See Remarks
21. Authorized Carryover	*See Remarks
22. Offset	*See Remarks
23. Total Amount of Federal Funds Obligated this budget period	$476,777.00
24. Total Approved Cost Sharing or Matching, where applicable	*See Remarks
25. Total Federal and Non-Federal Approved	*See Remarks
26. Project Period Start Date 12-21-2024 -	**End Date** 09-30-2028
27. Total Amount of the Federal Award including Approved Cost Sharing or Matching	*See Remarks

28. Authorized Treatment of Program Income
*See Remarks

29. Grants Management Officer – Signature

Kathleen Carey
Supervisory Grants Management Specialist

Footnotes

Recipient Information
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129 Pleasant Drive
CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE 03301 6505
Employer Identification Number (EIN): 1026000618B3
Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS): 011040545
Recipient's Unique Entity Identifier: LA2HR1U97VC6
Object Class: 41.15

Financial Information

Appropriation	CAN	Allotment	Award this action	Cumulative Grant Award to Date	Document Number	Funding Type
75-25-1515	2025,G993345		$476,777.00	$476,777.00	2501NHCCDY	Block

Terms and Conditions

FISCAL YEAR 2025

SUPPLEMENTAL TERMS and CONDITIONS

The ACF Standard Terms and Conditions applies to all ACF awards and is located on the Award Terms and Conditions page. These Supplemental Terms and Conditions are additional requirements applicable to the program named below.

By acceptance of awards for this program, the recipient agrees to comply with the requirements included in both the Standard and Supplemental Terms and Conditions for this program.

Office of Early Childhood Development (ECD)
Office of Child Care (OCC)

CHILD CARE SUPPLEMENTAL NON-DISASTER DISCRETIONARY FUNDS AMERICAN RELIEF ACT (ARA) of 2025
Child Care and Development Fund Grants
Assistance Listing No. [93.575]

APPLICABLE LEGISLATION, STATUTE, REGULATIONS

1. The administration of this program is subject to:

a. The American Relief Act (ARA) Act of 2025 (P.L. 118-158).
b. Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) Act (42 U.S.C. § 9857 et seq).
c. Provisions of the current approved CCDF State, Territory, or Tribal plan, as applicable, including all approved amendments or revisions.

2. The program is codified at 42 U.S.C. § 9857 et seq.

3. Implementing program regulations are published at:

a. 45 CFR Part 98 – "Child Care and Development Fund".
b. 45 CFR Part 99 – "Procedure for Hearings for the Child Care and Development Fund".

4. These funds are subject to all CCDF Discretionary requirements, except as noted.

5. Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for HHS Awards (UAR) are located under 45 CFR Part 75 (effective 10/1/2025: 2 CFR Parts 200 and 300). In accordance with 45 CFR §75.101 (effective 10/1/2025: 2 CFR §200.101) and program regulations 45 CFR Part 98, the following Subparts:

a. Apply to all awards:

a. Subpart A – Acronyms and Definitions
b. Subpart B – General Provisions
c. Subpart C – Pre-Federal Award Requirements and Contents of Federal Awards: Only 45 CFR §75.202 Requirement to Provide Notice of Federal Financial Assistance programs (effective 10/1/2025: 2 CFR §200.203).
d. Subpart D – Post Federal Award Requirements: Only 45 CFR §§75.351 – 75.353 Subrecipient Monitoring and Management (effective 10/1/2025: 2 CFR §§200.331 – 200.333).
e. Subpart F – Audit Requirements

b. In addition to 5.a., the following apply to Tribal Construction and Renovation projects as noted under 45 CFR §98.84:

a. Subpart D – Post Federal Award Requirements:

1. Program Income: 45 CFR §75.307 (effective on or after 10/1/2025: 2 CFR §200.307)
2. Real Property: 45 CFR §75.318 (effective on or after 10/1/2025: 2 CFR §200.311)
3. Procurement Standards: 45 CFR §§75.326 – 75.335 (effective on or after 10/1/2025: 2 CFR §§200.317 – 200.327)

b. Subpart E – Cost Principles

c. Do not apply to this award, unless exceptions are noted:

a. Subpart C – Pre-Federal Award Requirements and Contents of Federal Awards. See exception noted under 5.a.
b. Subpart D – Post Federal Award Requirements. See exception noted under 5.a.

d. Please note the following Appendices in the UAR apply to all funds under this award:

i. Appendix X – Data Collection Form (SF-SAC)
ii. Appendix XI – Compliance Supplement
iii. Appendix XII – Award Term and Conditions for Recipient Integrity and Performance Matters

e. The following Appendices in the UAR apply only to Tribal Construction and Renovation projects:

iv. Appendix II – Contract Provisions for Non-Federal Entity Contracts under Federal Awards
v. Appendix III – Indirect (F&A) Costs Identification and Assignment, and Rate Determination for Institutions of Higher Education (IHEs)
vi. Appendix IV – Indirect (F&A) Costs Identification and Assignment, and Rate Determination for Nonprofit Organizations
vii. Appendix V – State/Local Governmentwide Central Service Cost Allocation Plans
viii. Appendix VI – Public Assistance Cost Allocation Plans
ix. Appendix VII – State and Local Government and Indian Tribe Indirect Cost Proposals
x. Appendix VIII – Nonprofit Organizations Exempted from Subpart E of the UAR
xi. Appendix IX – Principles for Determining Costs Applicable to Research and Development Under Grants and Contracts with Hospitals

6. In accordance with 45 CFR 87.2(b), the provisions of Federal regulations at 45 CFR Part 87 are not applicable to the CCDF programs in their entirety.

7. Additional applicable regulations and requirements, including information on the HHS transition from 45 CFR Part 75 to 2 CFR Parts 200 and 300, can be found in the ACF Standard Terms and Conditions.

COST SHARING OR MATCHING (NON-FEDERAL SHARE) OF PROGRAM FUNDING

8. In accordance with the ARA, funds shall be used to supplement and not supplant other Federal, State, and local public funds expended to provide child care services for eligible individuals.

States and Territories
9. For States and Territories, ARA CCDF Discretionary funds for this program are awarded with a 100 percent Federal Financial Participation (FFP) rate for program costs, which means a non-Federal share of program funding is not required for this program (i.e., there is no State or Territory Match required).

Tribes
10. For Tribes, ARA CCDF Discretionary funds for this program are awarded with a 100 percent Federal Financial Participation (FFP) rate for program costs, which means a non-Federal share of program funding is not required for this program (i.e., there is no Tribal Match required).

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AND REPORTING

11. Administrative cost cap.

a. State and Territory administrative costs cannot exceed 5 percent of the total, aggregate of Federal and non-Federal shares of CCDF expenditures (All ARA CCDF Discretionary funding and other CCDF funding combined) each grant year. This includes any amount transferred to CCDF from TANF.

b. Tribe administrative costs cannot exceed 15 percent of the aggregate amount of Federal funds, (All ARA CCDF Discretionary funding and other CCDF funding combined) awarded for each fiscal year. The CCDF base amount awarded as discretionary funds is not included in the calculation of the aggregate amount subject to this administrative cost cap.

12. Quality spending requirements (at 658G of the CCDBG Act (42 USC 9858e); 45 CFR 98.53) and direct services spending requirements (at 658E(c)(3)(D) and (E) of the CCDBG Act (42 USC 9858c(3)(D) and (E)); 45 CFR 98.50(f) and (g)) do not apply to ARA CCDF Discretionary funds.

13. Reporting. These funds are subject to government-wide and CCDF-specific reporting requirements. OCC will provide additional guidance on reporting requirements on its website at www.acf.hhs.gov/occ.

14. Obligation/Liquidation Deadline.
ARA CCDF Discretionary funds must be obligated by September 30, 2027 and liquidated by September 30, 2028. Any Federal funds from this award not obligated or liquidated by the deadlines cited above will be recouped by ACF. ARA funds are subject to the reallotment process at 45 CFR § 98.64(b) for States and Puerto Rico and 45 CFR § 98.64(d) for Tribes.

PROGRAM MANAGEMENT AND REPORTING

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PROPERTY REPORTING

16. The OMB approved property reporting is the following:

States and Territories
17. Real Property Reports (SF-429s). The SF-429 Real Property forms are not applicable to this program. Purchase, construction, and renovation are not an allowable activity or expenditure under this award.

Tribes
18. Real Property Reports (SF-429s). The SF-429 Real Property forms are applicable to this program. Construction and renovation projects are an allowable activity or expenditure under this award. For more information, see 45 CFR §98.84 and CCDF-ACF-PI-2023-01. Purchases of real property continues to be an unallowable activity or expenditure under this award.

All Recipients
19. Tangible Property Report (SF-428s). For all recipients, the SF-428 Tangible Personal Property forms must be submitted as described in the ACF Standard Terms and Conditions.

EFFECTIVE PERIOD

20. These program-specific Supplemental Terms and Conditions are effective as of the date of award will remain in effect until updated. They will be updated and reissued only as needed whenever a new program-specific statute, regulation or other requirement is enacted or whenever any of the applicable existing Federal statutes, regulations, policies, procedures, or restrictions is amended, revised, altered, or repealed. These program-specific Supplemental Terms and Conditions are applicable to your award when they have been incorporated by reference in your Notice of Award or subsequent award amendments.

POINTS OF CONTACT

21. Points of contact for additional information or questions concerning either the operation of the program or related financial matters can be found on the Notice of Award

Remarks

* This field is intended to be included in the standardized Notice of Award and will be displayed in subsequent quarters.

This action awards supplemental funds appropriated under H.R. 10545, the American Relief Act, authorized on December 21, 2025. All funds must be obligated by September 30, 2027 and liquidated by September 30, 2028.

CCDF American Relief Act

	G2501NHCCDY	TOTAL
Award Ending 9/30/2028	476,777	476,777 -
Expended Through 6/30/2026	(66,066)	(66,066)
Available Award Balance	410,711	410,711
Less: SFY 26 Balance Forward		75,886
Available To Accept		334,825
Amount Requested This Action		334,825

SFY 27 Appropriations: 10-045-4511-77230000	**2027 Budget**	Balance Fowarded	Total	**This Action**	**Revised Budget**
			-		-
Revenue	-	75,886	75,886	**334,825**	410,711
Expense	-	75,886	75,886	**334,825**	410,711