



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Executive Council

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TO: All District Three Constituents
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DATE: April 14, 2022

The Executive Council conducted a series of meetings on Wednesday, April 6, 2022. **The Breakfast Meeting was held at the Office of Professional Licensure and Certification (OPLC)** headquarters with Executive Director Lindsey Courtney providing - an agency overview, initiatives for Fiscal Year '21-'22, Emergency Licensure during COVID-19, and Strategic Planning goals for the agency.

- **OPLC oversees 52 occupational licensure boards** with independent regulatory authority.
- More than **180 license types** are managed by OPLC.
- The agency has oversight of **157,075 New Hampshire licenses** which are subject to renewal requirements.
- Total OPLC workforce: 100 authorized positions. **Roughly 350 New Hampshire residents serve as members of boards, commissions, councils, and committees.**
- Budget for FY '22 is **approximately \$14.5 million.**
- **Temporary Emergency Licenses** were granted for behavioral healthcare specialists during COVID. **More than 1,114 temporary licenses were awarded to Licensed Alcohol & Other Drug Counselors; Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselors; Licensed Clinical Supervisors; Licensed Independent Clinical Social Workers; Marriage & Family Therapists; and Psychologists.**
- Behavioral healthcare specialists issued a **New Hampshire Emergency License during the pandemic represents 62% of the current workforce for these six specialty areas.**
- Strategic Planning will focus on – enhancing customer service, increasing licensure portability, and fulfillment of state and regulatory requirements for boards, commissions etc.

Following the Breakfast Meeting on Wednesday, April 6, 2022, the **Executive Council resumed work at 10:00 a.m. in the Executive Council Chamber at the New Hampshire State House** to review and vote on 86 warrant/agenda items and to approve Civil Commissions, Nominations and Confirmations, as well as Department of Military Affairs and Veterans Services Nominations, Confirmations and Appointments.

The Executive Council will vote on the nominees at the next meeting of the Council on **Wednesday, April 20, 2022.**

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES – CHILD CARE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

#8 *Authorized to amend an existing contract with the NH Children's Trust, Inc., Concord, NH, (originally approved by G&C on 6/30/21, item #41) for the ongoing support of Family Resource Centers across the state to receive the "Family Resource Center of Quality" designation to achieve national standards and to further develop the Kinship Navigator Program, by increasing the price limitation by \$344,865 from \$4,388,600 to \$4,733,465 with no change to the contract completion date of June 30, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval. 100% Federal Funds.*

Working with the 15 Family Resource Centers across the state, this contract (amendment) is intended to increase awareness of the **New Hampshire's Child Care & Development Fund (CCDF)**. **Known as the Child Care Scholarship, there has been a declining rate of New Hampshire families utilizing funds available.** The outreach campaign will target – parents and caregivers of young children, childcare centers, community leaders and prospective recipients. Applications for the scholarship are online at [NH EASY - CHILD CARE SCHOLARSHIP](#)

Listed below is additional information on the myriad of resources available for parents and caregivers of young children.

Program Information
Child Development
Child Care Provider Services
Child Care Scholarship Wait List
Child Care Search
Let's Grow! NH
Licensed Plus Providers
NH Early Childhood and Afterschool Professional Development System
Publications
Quality Child Care
Contact Child Development

Division of Public Health Services

#11 Authorized to amend an existing contract with ConvenientMD, LLC, Portsmouth, NH, (Informational item B G&C 5/19/21) for the provision of post-accidental needlestick testing and occupational medicine services for COVID-19 vaccinators and source patients by decreasing the price limitation by \$184,800 from \$237,600 to \$52,800 with no change to the contract completion date of June 30, 2022. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Other Funds (Governor's Office for Emergency Relief and Recovery).** **Reduction in funding reflects the closure of New Hampshire's statewide COVID-19 testing sites.**

#12 Authorized to amend existing contacts with the Contractors as detailed in letter dated March 17, 2022, (originally approved by G&C on 6/20/18 item #27E) to provide home visiting services to expectant women and newly parenting individuals by increasing the total price limitation by \$813,936 from \$10,157,002 to \$10,970,938 with no change to the contract completion dates of September 30, 2022. Effective upon G&C approval. **87% Federal, 9% General, and 4% Other Funds (Governor Commission Funds).** **Home Visiting services for Rockingham County, which provides assistance for 29 Rockingham County families, is being provided by Waypoint. The amended contract will provide an additional \$418,000 to the Waypoint contract for a total of \$5.3 million.**

Division for Behavioral Health

#14 Authorized to enter into new **sole source** contracts with the vendors listed in letter dated March 8, 2022, which includes the option to renew for 2 years, and amend existing contracts (originally approved by G&C on 10/27/21 item#15) to expand and continue providing Critical Time Intervention services, by exercising contract renewal options by increasing the total price limitation by \$3,252,100 from \$790,341 to \$4,042,441 and extending the completion dates of the existing contracts from June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval. **70% Federal, 30% General Funds.** **The contract for Portsmouth (Region 8) will be administered by Seacoast Mental Health with a budget of \$440,000. The Derry/Region 10 contract will be administered by the Mental Health Center for Southern NH – budget of \$349,000.**

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

[#15](#) Authorized to pay property owners, tenants and/or claimants \$15,000 as documented in the Completed Awards list, for amounts greater than \$5,000 for the period extending from March 1, 2022, through March 14, 2022. Effective upon G&C approval. **A payment of \$7800 was allocated for business re-establishment costs associated with Depot Intersection (Salem).**

[#24](#) Authorized to enter into a contract with Spears Bros., Building Salvage & Wrecking of Laconia, NH, on the basis of a low bid of **\$322,455.50 for the Derry-Londonderry I-93 Exit 4A project** consisting of demolition of residential buildings and ancillary structures, and site restoration on 7 State owned properties, located on the Trolley Car Lane in the Town of Londonderry, and Folsom Road and Ferland Drive in the Town of Derry. (2) Further authorize that a contingency in the amount of \$32,245.55 be approved for payment of latent conditions, which may appear during the construction of the project. Effective upon G&C approval through September 16, 2022. **100% Federal Funds.**

[#26](#) Authorized to enter into a contract with Continental Paving Inc. of Londonderry, NH, on the basis of a low bid of \$4,439,948.49 for resurfacing 12 sections of various Tier 2, 3 and 4 roadways in 18 towns, including: Hampton, North Hampton, Rye, Milton, Seabrook, Newmarket, Lee, Kensington, Hampton Falls, Plaistow, Hampstead, Atkinson, Dover, Rollinsford, Strafford, Epping, Newfields, and South Hampton in District 6. Effective upon G&C approval through September 23, 2022. **100% Other Funds (Betterment and SB367). A total of 24.2 miles of District Three roadways will be resurfaced following the contract completion date of September 23, 2022.**

NEW HAMPSHIRE FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT

[#44](#) Authorized to accept and expend \$22,665 from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for purposes related to supporting a graduate student and enhanced operations of the Great Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2022. **100% Federal Funds. Funds will be allocated to support a graduate research fellow and other K-12 educational programs.**

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE FOR EMERGENCY RELIEF AND RECOVERY

[#45A](#) Authorized to enter into a **sole source** agreement with Hampton Area Chamber of Commerce, Hampton, NH, in an amount not to exceed \$342,550 in American Rescue Plan Act State Fiscal Recovery Funds to fund an expansion of the Career Pathways Program, which provides skills-based education and training as well as information on available career paths in the trades industry to help bridge the existing skills gap and address workforce shortages. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds. Funds will be used to expand the NH School Mechanical Trades program into Manchester following the initial contract approved for the Seacoast region of District Three.**

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

[#48](#) Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation, to enter into a contract with Green Shadow Property Maintenance LLC, Rollinsford, NH, in the amount of \$39,500 to perform **Beach Grading at Hampton Beach State Park. Effective upon G&C approval through May 8, 2022. 100% Other Funds.**

[#49](#) Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation, to enter into a contract with **Fences Unlimited, Inc. Windham, NH, in the amount of \$12,950** for alterations to the Communication Building at Miller State Park – Pack Monadnock Mountain. Effective upon G&C approval through May 1, 2022. **100% Capital Funds.**

[#50](#) Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation, to enter into a contract with JMS Roofing, LLC, Wolfeboro, NH in the amount of \$26,187.50 to perform a roof replacement on the **Fremont Depot at Rockingham Recreational Trail, 562 Main Street, Fremont, NH. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2022. 100% Capital Funds.**

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

[#79](#) Authorized to disclaim and/or waive on behalf of the State of NH any interest that the State may now have or be eligible to acquire in certain land parcel remnants located on either side of the **Central Court right-of-way in Derry, NH, so that the Town of Derry may quiet title to such land without obstacle from the State's competing statutory interest.**

CONFIRMATIONS

Assessing Standards Board
Board of Veterinary Medicine
Deputy Attorney General, Department of Justice
Director, Office of the Child Advocate

Fire Standards and Training Commission

Fire Standards and Training Commission
Public Employee Labor Relations Board
Speech-Language Pathology and Hearing Care Provider Governing Board

State Board of Education

Pharmacy Board
Water Council

Betsey L. Patten, Concord
Robyn Eldredge, Chichester
James T. Boffetti, Litchfield
Cassandra Sanchez, Methuen, MA
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Jason A. Smedick, Goffstown
Richard J. Laughton, Durham
Mary Ann Melizzi-Golja, Nashua
Philip J. Nazzaro, Newmarket
Daniel J. Gross, Keene
Lawrence E. Maznek, Bedford

NOMINATIONS

Artist Laureate
Assistant Commissioner, Department of Administrative Services

Board of Accountancy

Board of Barbering, Cosmetology, and Esthetics

Board of Dental Examiners

Board of Licensing for Alcohol and Other Drug Use Professionals

Board of Nursing

Board of Nursing

Community College System of New Hampshire, Board of Trustees
Director, Division of Learner Support, Department of Education
Occupational Therapy Governing Board

Theophilus N. Martey, Manchester
Sheri L. Rockburn, Concord
Edward C. David, Seabrook
Erin V. Jordan, Manchester
Muhenad Samaan, Windham
Jessica E. Bennett, Bedford
Michele Melanson-Schmitt, Litchfield
Wendy Stanley Jones, Greenland
Stephen J. Ellis, Pittsburg
Melissa A. White, Hopkinton
Nicole L. Quartulli, Danbury