



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Executive Council

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TO: All District Three Constituents
FROM: Executive Councilor Janet Stevens

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The Executive Council conducted a series of meetings on Wednesday, May 18, 2022. **The Breakfast Meeting was held at Concord's Riverbend Community Mental Health Center**, which is part of New Hampshire's Community Mental Health Center (CMHC) network of 10 regional CMHCs providing care at 40 locations. Community Mental Health Centers are private, non-profit agencies which are contracted with the NH Department Health & Human Services (DHHS), Bureau of Behavioral Health (BBH) to "provide publicly funded mental health services to individuals and families who meet certain criteria".

District Three residents can access comprehensive behavioral healthcare at two CMHCs - **Seacoast Mental Health Center Inc. or Center for Life Management**. Behavioral healthcare for seniors, adult outpatient, medication treatment, child/adolescent/family therapy, emergency services etc. are provided at both.

Seacoast Mental Health Center, Inc. Portsmouth & Exeter, serves the following District Three municipalities: *Brentwood, Chester,, East Kingston, Epping, Exeter, Fremont, Greenland, Hampton, Hampton Falls, Kensington, Kingston, New Castle, Newfields, Newington, Newmarket, North Hampton, Raymond, Rye, Salem, Seabrook, South Hampton, Stratham, and the city of Portsmouth.*

Mental Health Center for Southern NH (DBA CLM Center for Life Management) has locations in **Derry and Salem** and serves the residents of - Atkinson, Chester, Danville, Derry, Hampstead, Newton, Pelham, Plaistow and Windham.

Rapid Response Access Point CALL **833-710-6477** Both of these CMHCs have launched mobile Rapid Response Access Point programs to provide care for residents experiencing a mental health crisis. Trained staff are accessible - 24/7 - including holidays to provide "over the phone support with referral to outpatient services or to have a Mobile Crisis Response Team from either Seacoast Mental Health or the Center for Life Management come to you".

Anyone experiencing a mental health crisis, can reach out for help by calling the Rapid Response Access Point at **833-710-6477**.

The Center for Life Management has provided a partial list of potential needs to contact the Rapid Response Access Point:

- Talking or thinking about harming or killing oneself or others
- Seeking access to firearms, pills, or other ways to kill oneself
- Talking or writing about death, dying, or killing oneself
- Feeling hopeless
- Feeling very angry or looking for revenge
- Acting recklessly or doing risky activities
- Feeling trapped, like there's no way out
- Increasing alcohol or drug use
- Pulling away from friends and family
- Feeling worried or irritated
- Having trouble sleeping or sleeping all the time

The Rapid Response Access Point program was launched in January 2022 and utilization has increased in the subsequent months. From January - March of 2022, 6,267 unique contacts were made to the program with less than 30% of access point interactions state-wide resulting in mobile deployments of staff. The majority of calls received were deescalated telephonically. On average, 23% of individuals who contacted the Rapid Response Access Point were youth and 77% were adults.

I voted in support of a contract amendment to extend these programs for an additional year

At the end of this newsletter are additional resources for families with children.

The Executive Council met on Wednesday, May 18, 2022, in the Executive Council Chamber at the New Hampshire State House to review and vote on 100 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, June 1, 2022.

CONSENT CALENDAR AGENDA

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERAN SERVICES

Major Joseph F. Deigan, Carlsbad, CA, to the rank of Major, NH Air National Guard.
Captain Jason S. Garrahan, Bow, NH, to the rank of Major, NH Army National Guard.
Captain Mark F. Griffin, Jaffrey, NH, to the rank of Major, NH Army National Guard.
Captain Jeremy P. Saunders, Rochester, NH, to the rank of Major, NH Army National Guard.
Seth A. Williams, Dover, NH, to the rank of Major, NH Army National Guard.

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

#B. Authorized to amend a Grant Agreement with the **Southern NH Planning Commission (SNHPC)**, (originally approved by G&C on 6/2/21, item #96), by extending the completion date to December 31, 2022 from May 31, 2022, to complete a project to better protect drinking water from contamination. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% Federal Funds. Chester, Derry, and Windham are part of the SNHPC.**

#E. Authorized to amend existing contracts with the contractors listed in letter dated April 14, 2022, to continue providing **Rapid Response crisis intervention services**, mental and substance use disorder treatment, and other related recovery supports for youth and adults who are under or uninsured and are impacted by COVID-19, and healthcare professionals, by exercising contract renewal options by extending the completion dates from May 31, 2022 to May 31, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval. 100% Federal Funds. **Seacoast Mental Health and the Mental Health Center for Southern NH (DBA CLM Center for Life Management) received a contract extension of one year to May 31, 2023**

REGULAR AGENDA

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

#14 Authorized to amend an existing contract with New Hampshire Harm Reduction Coalition, Dover, NH, (originally approved by G&C on 8/26/20, item #17), for harm reduction services in Syringe Services Programs in order to reduce the rate of opioid misuse and infectious disease complications associated with opioid use, by exercising a contract renewal option by increasing the price limitation by **\$1,341,246 from \$770,000 to \$2,111,246** and by extending the completion date from August 31, 2022 to August 31, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval. 100% Federal Funds. **The Seacoast has a designated Care Coordinator supporting SOS Recovery in Hampton**

Division of Public Health Services

#16 Authorized to amend an existing contract with **Community Health Access Network, Newmarket, NH**, (originally approved by G&C on 1/23/19, item #29), to continue to improve the prevention and management of cancer, arthritis, diabetes, and heart disease by exercising a contract renewal option by increasing the price limitation by **\$2,166,000 from \$2,192,078 to \$4,358,078** and by extending the completion date from June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2024. Effective upon G&C approval **95% Federal, 5% General Funds**.

#23 Authorized to amend an existing contract with **Greater Seacoast Community Health**, Somersworth, NH, (originally approved by G&C on 1/22/21, item #23), for Family Support Coordinator service statewide, by exercising a contract renewal option by increasing the price limitation by **\$75,000 from \$150,000 to \$225,000** and extending the completion date from June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval or July 1, 2022 whichever is later. 100% Other Funds (Governor's Commission). **Greater Seacoast Community Health D3 sites are - Families First Health & Support Center in Portsmouth and SOS Recovery Community Organizations are.**

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

#38 Authorized the Bureau of Construction to enter into a contract with **Busby Construction Co. Inc., Atkinson, NH**, on the basis of a low bid of \$574,955 for the rehabilitation of a metal culvert carrying Bowman Brook under NH 114 in Bedford. (2) Further authorize a contingency in the amount of \$57,495.50 for payment of latent conditions, which may appear during the construction of the project. Effective upon G&C approval through October 28, 2022. **100% Federal Funds**.

DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS AND VETERANS SERVICES

#51 Authorized to amend an existing contract with **Tighe & Bond, Inc., Portsmouth, NH**, (originally approved by G&C on 6/19/19, item #154), for professional Civil Engineering, Environmental and Master Planning Services for planning and design of various projects as necessary and required by the Department, by exercising a renewal option by increasing the price limitation by \$500,000 from \$1,500,000 to \$2,000,000 and by extending the completion date from June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2023. Effective upon G&C approval or July 1, 2022, whichever is later.

#55E Authorized to finalize the grant agreements using signed terms and conditions and in the amount totaling \$414,120 from the approved accept and expend of **\$12,000,000 in American Rescue Plan Act State Fiscal Recovery Funds, previously approved on October 22, 2021, to grant funds for the safety and emergency equipment program for towns and municipalities**, which will be allowed for reimbursement for such investments incurred by December 31, 2022, that are allowable expenses under ARPA SFRF. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds. Derry received \$48,917.00. Exeter received \$50,000.00 and \$3,470.00 was awarded to Plaistow.**

#55F Authorized to enter into a **sole source** agreement with the Community College System of NH, Concord, NH, in the amount of \$2,611,704 from the American Rescue Plan Act State Fiscal Recovery Funds, to fund expansion of the Community College System of NH Licensed Practitioner Nurse program. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2025. **100% Federal Funds.**

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

#56 Authorized the **Division of Travel and Tourism Development to award grants to the organizations detailed in a letter dated April 20, 2022, in the total amount not to exceed \$90,777.62** for marketing projects under the Joint Promotional Program for the grant period. Effective upon G&C approval. **100% General Funds. Hampton Area Chamber received \$5,092.50**

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

#63 Authorized the Division of Parks and Recreation to enter into a contract with **E.L.M. Services, Inc., Hampton Falls,**

NH, in the amount of \$95,200, for the waste collection and disposal at Hampton Beach State Park. Effective upon G&C approval through September 11, 2022. **100% Other Funds (Agency Income).**

#67 Authorized the Division of the Arts, to award an American Rescue Plan Act grant to **Portsmouth Historical Society, Portsmouth, NH**, in the amount of \$6,000 for salary support for 1 position. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2022. **100% Federal Funds.**

#68 Authorized the Division of the Arts, to award a Public Value Partnership grant to **Prescott Park Arts Festival, Portsmouth, NH**, in the amount of \$13,000 to strengthen their capacity for affordable diverse arts programs to NH residents and visitors. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2022. **100% Federal Funds.**

#77 Authorized to approve a Clean Water State Revolving Fund loan agreement with The Star Island Cooperative, in the amount not to exceed \$500,000 to finance the Water Reclamation Pilot Program Project. Effective upon G&C approval. 100% Repayment Funds. **Star Island Cooperative, Portsmouth will use the funding to determine the best way to remove solids and inactivate viruses from wastewater.**

#81 Authorized to enter into a sole source agreement with the University of NH, Sponsored Programs Administration, Durham, NH, in the amount of \$1,500 to perform laboratory analysis of seawater samples to identify and quantify harmful algae cells using a FlowCam. Effective upon G&C approval through December 31, 2022. **100% General Funds.**

DEPARTMENT OF SAFETY

#94 Authorized the Division of State Police to enter into a sole source contract with Northeast Scale Company, Inc. Hooksett, NH, in the amount not to exceed \$157,037 for the purpose of providing preventative maintenance, certification and repair to the scale systems located at the weigh stations on **Interstate 93 in Windham**. Effective upon G&C approval for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025, with the option to renew for one, two year term. **72% Highway, 28% General Funds.**

#97 Authorized the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management to enter into a grant agreement with the **Town of Chester, NH**, in the amount of \$4,000 to update their local Emergency Operations Plan. Effective upon G&C approval through August 31, 2023. **100% Federal Funds.**

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

#105A Authorized to accept and expend federal funds in the amount of **\$720,000 from American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 State Fiscal Recovery Funds**, for the purpose of sub granting funds to the **Portsmouth Police Department to support activities for the Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force**. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. **100% Federal Funds. Contingent upon Fiscal Committee approval on May 20, 2022..**

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

#111 Authorized to enter into a contract with **Bouchard Painting, Inc., Derry, NH**, for a total price not to exceed \$175,000 for interior and exterior painting services at several state owned buildings managed by the Department. Effective upon G&C approval or May 18, 2022, whichever is later, through May 17, 2024, with an option to renew for an additional year.

CONFIRMATIONS

Assessing Standards Board
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Robert J. Gagne, Manchester
Joseph W. Lessard Jr., Salem
David K. Marazoff, Westmoreland

Assessing Standards Board
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NOMINATIONS

Board of Licensure of Interpreters for the Deaf, Deafblind, and Hard of Hearing
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Board of Licensed Dietitians
Deputy Adjutant General
Director of the Division of Water, Department of Environmental Services
Electricians' Board
Fire Standards and Training Commission
Lottery Commission
Manufactured Housing Installation Standards Board
New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority, Housing Finance Board
Respiratory Care Practitioners Governing Board
University System of New Hampshire Board of Trustees
Volunteer New Hampshire Board of Directors
Volunteer New Hampshire Board of Directors
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Nadine M. Lamontagne, Litchfield
Kenneth Rhodes, Auburn

MENTAL & BEHAVIORAL HEALTH RESOURCES AND SUPPORT SERVICES FOR NH KIDS

CALL 911 Calling 911 in the event of a mental crisis is ALWAYS an option. NAMI provides information on how to keep the situation “as calm as possible”.

Waypoint Family Support Warm Line – 800-640-6486 (Monday -Friday 8:30 am – 4:30 pm)
The Family Support Warm Line is a partnership between Waypoint and the State of New Hampshire. A free phone-in service, callers can talk confidentially to family support professionals “to get help with everything from coping strategies, child behaviors, and family dynamics...”.

NAMI NH

NAMI NH offers support and guidance for parents of children with an emotional/behavioral health disorder. Services include, parent support groups, one-on-one support for family members seeking help/guidance, NH Family Network, and an Information Resource Line (800-242-6264

NH Department Health & Human Services – Children’s Behavioral Health

Information on services/resources on securing emergency treatment (Designated Receiving Facility), Community Based Treatment for children, and residential care.