

COVID-19

Novel Coronavirus

EMERGENCY COMMISSION

Request #1962 & #1963

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REQUEST #1962 AND #1963

- #1962 – Request to increase federal fund authority by \$42.7 million
 - Existing Programs
- #1963 – Request to increase special fund authority by \$36 million
 - Emergency COVID-19 Program

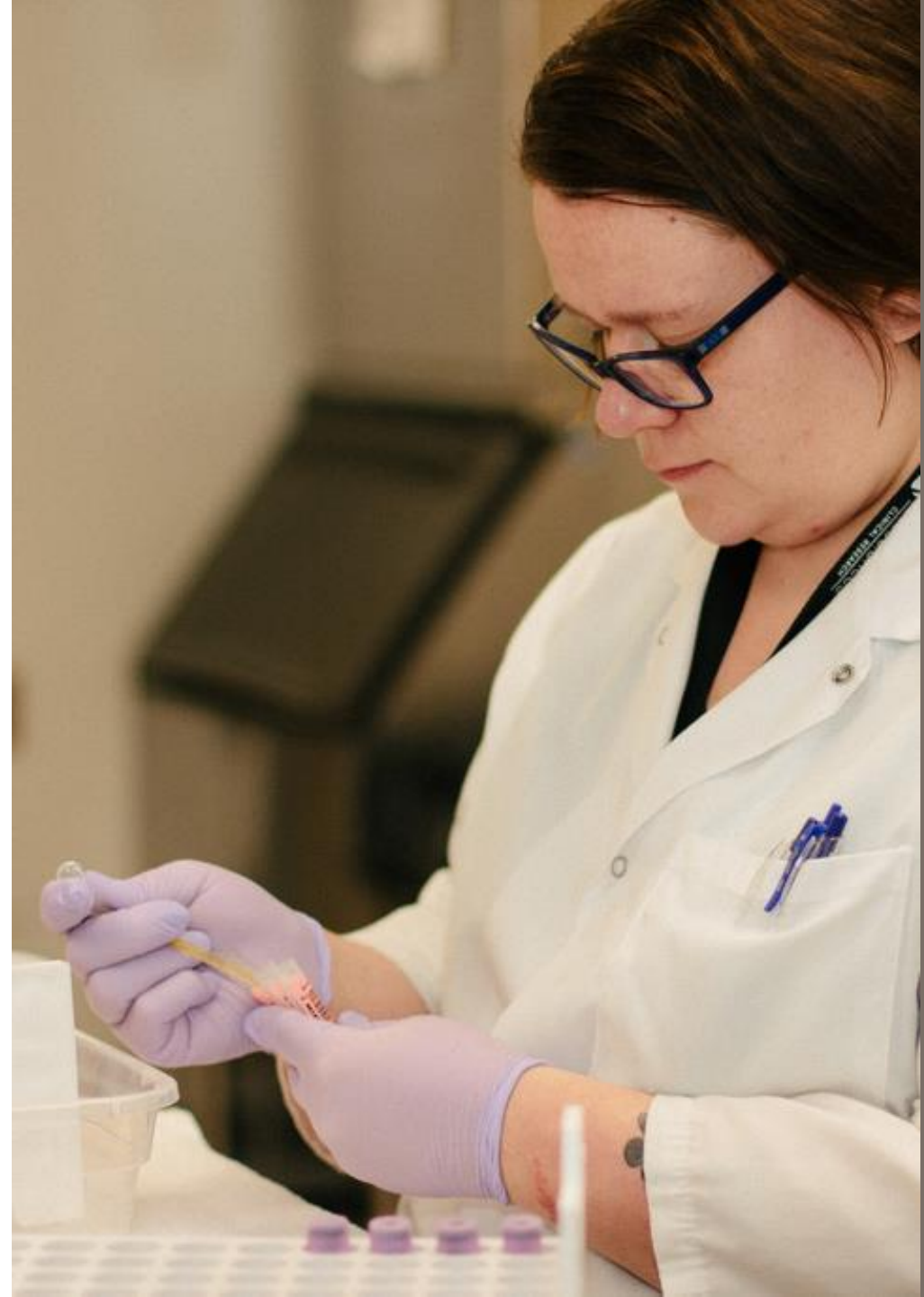
FEDERAL AUTHORITY REQUEST #1962

- Families First Coronavirus Response Act signed 3/18/2020
 - The funds received will increase the funding for existing programs
 - Grants – Medical Assistance
 - An increase of the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) of 6.2% for 6 months (January 2020 – June 2020), estimating \$30 million in addition federal funding
 - Medicaid: Traditional; Long Term Care Services; Home and Community Based Waiver Services
 - Operating
 - An increase of the Home Delivered Nutrition Services of \$800,000 (Ex. Meals on Wheels)
 - An increase of the Congregated Nutrition Services of \$400,000 (Ex. Senior Centers)



FEDERAL AUTHORITY REQUEST #1962

- Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) signed 3/27/2020
 - Grants
 - Child Care Development Block Grant (CCDBG), estimated \$6 million in Federal funds
 - Continued Child Care Assistants (CCA) payments and assistance to child care providers with decreased enrollment and to assure provider are able to remain open after the pandemic
 - Provide child care assistance, without regard to income, to workers deemed essential during the pandemic
 - Low Income Home Energy Assistance program (LIHEAP) funding, estimated \$5.5 million
 - To help lower income households heat and cool their homes



SPECIAL AUTHORITY REQUEST #1963



- Childcare Emergency Operations Grant (CEOG)
 - Emergency Response to *temporarily* support child care providers until the COVID-19 emergency declaration ends
 - Estimated for 90 days, beginning 4/1/2020
 - Phase 1 ending 5/29/2020 with re-evaluation of program occurring 5/22/2020
 - Help sustain financial viability of child care operators in remaining open
 - Does not support an existing program

SPECIAL AUTHORITY REQUEST #1963

- DHS Special Fund

- DHS's Special Fund had remaining funds from the 2017-2019 biennium in the amount of \$36 million, due to Medicaid program expenses being less than budgeted during the 2017-2019 biennium.
- DHS is able to claim federal reimbursement based on Human Service Zone (HSZ) expenditures and work activity of HSZ team members, these funds are in the DHS Special Fund and are mainly used to match federal funds or meet maintenance of effort requirements for grant programs within DHS, including Child Care, TANF, and Medicaid.



ND GOVERNMENT FUNDING TYPES

- Funding Types
 - General – Funding appropriated by the ND Legislature to meet match requirements for federal funds and to fund approved programs and operations
 - Federal – Funding awarded by the federal government
 - Special – Funds other than General or Federal. DHS retains funds that have not been expended in this category.



QUESTIONS



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