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December 23, 2020

Sue Birch, Director
Health Care Authority
P.O. Box 45502
Olympia, WA 98504-5502

Dear Director Birch:

Pursuant to enactment of the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act (P.L. 116-136), I hereby allocate \$13,400,000 to the Health Care Authority from General Fund-Federal (Coronavirus Relief Funds) for the following purposes.

- \$1,500,000 is provided for opioid outpatient providers with an emphasis on those who treat Medicaid and state only populations. Allowable uses of the funds include personal protective equipment for clinic or medical office staff; COVID-19 testing supplies; medical supplies; health care worker overtime pay; and costs associated with adjusting facilities to accommodate social distancing (does not include capital costs).
- \$1,500,000 is provided for evaluation and treatment centers and residential treatment facilities with an emphasis on those that treat Medicaid and state only populations. Allowable uses of the funds include personal protective equipment for clinic or medical office staff; COVID-19 testing supplies; medical supplies; health care worker overtime pay; and costs associated with adjusting facilities to accommodate social distancing (does not include capital costs).
- \$2,200,000 is provided for community mental health centers and other licensed behavioral health therapy providers with an emphasis on those who treat Medicaid and state only populations. Allowable uses of the funds include personal protective equipment for clinic or medical office staff; COVID-19 testing supplies; medical supplies; and health care worker overtime pay.
- \$6,000,000 is provided for primary care providers, including internal medicine and family practice providers, with an emphasis on those who treat Medicaid populations. Allowable uses of the funds include personal protective equipment for clinic or medical office staff; COVID-19 testing supplies; medical supplies; and health care worker overtime pay.
- \$2,200,000 is provided to dentists and dental care providers with an emphasis on those who treat Medicaid populations. Allowable uses of the funds include personal protective equipment for clinic or medical office staff; COVID-19 testing supplies; medical and dental supplies; and health care worker overtime pay.

As of this time, guidance issued by the federal government on the use of Coronavirus Relief Funds specifies that for a cost to be considered to have been incurred, the performance or delivery must take place by December 30, 2020, but payment can occur up to 90 days afterwards. If federal legislation extending the Coronavirus Relief Funds is enacted, the time limit will be extended to December 31, 2021.

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The Office of Financial Management approved this allocation in Unanticipated Receipt #0190. Using expenditure authority code 7Z0, please submit the required allotment amendment packet using the "Operating Allocation" packet type.

We appreciate your continued efforts in responding to this health crisis. If you have any questions, please contact OFM Budget Operations at (360) 902-0555 or budget.operations@ofm.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Schumacher", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

David Schumacher
Director

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