



**REQUEST TO EMERGENCY COMMISSION**  
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**Requestor Information**

Department name: ND Department of Health and Human Services  
 Department number: 301  
 Name of contact person: Karol Riedman  
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**Purpose of Request**

Is this request related to a state emergency? Yes  
 Purpose of request: Intra-agency line item transfer

From Line Item	To Line Item	Amount
30179 COVID	30160 Grants	\$500,000

**Background Information**

Was any portion of the request presented during the previous legislative session? No  
 Is the request for a new program? No  
 Does the request require an FTE increase? No  
 Does the request conform with legislative intent? Yes  
 Provide explanation:  
 Request is to move funding authority from COVID line to Grants line to cover shortfall related to timing of payment under the federal Ebola Preparedness Grant  
  
 In prior biennia, funding was provided by the Legislative Assembly for an Ebola Preparedness grant to Sanford Health of Fargo (100% federal funding). This was a one-time grant which was anticipated to be completed by 6/30/2021. Due to delays at the federal level in approving the spending plan by the subrecipient the award was extended into current biennium.

**Other Information**

Statutory provisions that relate to this request:  
 NDCC 23-01-11 Outlines the authority for the ND Department of Health to accept federal funds for public health work

Provide an explanation as to how the request supports state priorities, improves state efficiencies, and promotes effective state government:  
 The Ebola Grant funding assists Sanford Health of Fargo to establish an area within the hospital capable of handling highly infectious diseases, including Ebola.

Provide any other relevant information:  
 In May 2015 the ND Department of Health received a federal grant for Hospital Emergency Preparedness to pass through to hospitals. The grant was designed to assist a hospital in developing a plan and construction of an area to address patients with highly contagious diseases, including Ebola. An award was issued to Sanford Health of Fargo. Due to delays at the federal level to approve the construction plans as well as redirection of efforts during the COVID pandemic this project was not completed by June 30, 2021. The federal government extended the grant and in early 2022 approved the plan. The outstanding Ebola grant was \$1.195 million. We will be utilizing existing authority to cover all but \$500,000 of this shortfall.

**Signature**

I, the undersigned, have read this Request, know the contents, and believe the statements contained within to be true.



*Karen Borr*

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*11/21/2022*

Date