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His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu  
and the Honorable Council  
State House  
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

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**REQUESTED ACTION**

Pursuant to RSA 21-I:54, authorize the Department of Health & Human Services, NHH – Facility/Patient Support, to continue one full-time temporary Utilization Review Coordinator, Position #8T3092, salary grade 20 effective December 16, 2022 upon Governor and Council approval through December 15, 2023. 87.6% General Funds, 12.4% Other Funds (provider fees).

Funding is available in account NHH Facility/Patient Support as follows:

	<b>FY2023</b>	<b>FY2024</b>
05-95-94-940010-84100000-050-500109 Personal Service Temp Appoint	\$33,288	\$56,882
05-95-94-940010-84100000-060-500602 Benefits	\$15,497	\$30,995
<b>Total Salaries &amp; Benefits</b>	<b>\$48,785</b>	<b>\$87,877</b>

**EXPLANATION**

The Utilization Review Coordinator, Position #8T3092, currently ends on December 15, 2022. This position is assigned to DHHS: NHH, Revenue Cycle Operations (Utilization Review). The position is still filled and necessary to support the implementation of the IMD Waiver implementation which allows NHH to seek reimbursement for patients aged 21 on admission up to 64 years old.

The Utilization Review Coordinator position is a key position in securing authorizations for patients with Medicaid, Managed Care, and/or Commercial Insurance. The incumbent seeks authorizations and continued authorizations for patients that remain at NH Hospital. The incumbent interacts with clinical staff as well as outside guarantors to ensure NH Hospital maximizes reimbursement for patient care. The incumbent also provides support to Appeals/Denials Specialist should the hospital appeal a guarantor's denial.

Your favorable consideration of this request would be greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,  
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