

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES  
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services  
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**VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL:** [Christopher.R.Nicolopoulos@ins.nh.gov](mailto:Christopher.R.Nicolopoulos@ins.nh.gov)

Christopher Nicolopoulos  
Insurance Commissioner  
New Hampshire Insurance Department  
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Dear Commissioner Nicolopoulos:

This letter is to notify you that, in part due to the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act of 2021, New Hampshire will receive a total of \$31,544,702 in pass-through funding to implement its State Innovation Waiver under the Affordable Care Act (ACA) for calendar year 2021.

As you are aware, on August 5, 2020, the Department of Health & Human Services and the Department of the Treasury (the Departments) approved New Hampshire's State Innovation Waiver under Section 1332 of the ACA. New Hampshire's approved application waives the ACA's requirement for the single risk pool to the extent necessary to implement a state reinsurance program called the New Hampshire Reinsurance Program for plan years 2021 through 2025. On April 21, 2021, the Departments notified New Hampshire that they had determined that New Hampshire's pass-through funding amount for calendar year 2021 was \$22,723,855. This determination reflected federal law as of March 10, 2021, prior to the passage of the ARP. Among other changes, the ARP temporarily expanded the ACA's premium tax credit (PTC), increasing the generosity of the PTC for those who were already eligible under the ACA and making PTCs available to individuals with incomes above 400 percent of the federal poverty level for the first time.

The Departments have now completed their analysis of the effects of the ARP on pass-through funding. The Department of the Treasury's final administrative determination for New Hampshire's total pass-through funding for calendar year 2021, after accounting for the ARP, is \$31,544,702. As a result, New Hampshire will receive \$8,820,847 more in pass-through funding than the amount specified in the Departments' April letter.

We look forward to continuing to work with you and your staff. If you have any questions regarding program matters or official correspondence concerning the waiver, please contact Lina Rashid at [Lina.Rashid@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:Lina.Rashid@cms.hhs.gov) or [stateinnovationwaivers@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:stateinnovationwaivers@cms.hhs.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ellen Montz". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Ellen" and the last name "Montz" clearly distinguishable.

Ellen Montz

Director

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Cc:

Mark Mazur, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Tax Policy, U.S. Department of the Treasury

Christopher T. Sununu, Governor, State of New Hampshire

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