AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEARS ENDED
DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021

INDEX TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Independent Auditor's Report	. 1-2
Statements of Financial Position	3
Statements of Activities and Changes in Net Assets	. 4-5
Statements of Cash Flows	6
Notes to Financial Statements	7-18

WWW.MASONRICH.COM

Six Bicentennial Square, Concord, New Hampshire 03301
P: 603.224.2000 F: 603.224.2613



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors New Hampshire Individual Health Plan Benefit Association Concord, New Hampshire

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of New Hampshire Individual Health Plan Benefit Association (a nonprofit organization), which comprise the statements of financial position as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, and the related statements of activities and changes in net assets, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of New Hampshire Individual Health Plan Benefit Association as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, and the changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with accounting with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to the financial statement audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of New Hampshire Individual Health Plan Benefit Association and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether these are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about New Hampshire Individual Health Plan Benefit Association's ability to continue as a going concern within one year after the date that the financial statements are available to be issued.

Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statement as a whole are free from material misstatements, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit concluded in accordance with generally

accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards* will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements, including omissions, are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and *Government Auditing Standards*, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due
 to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such
 procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and
 disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit
 procedures that are appropriate in circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an
 opinion on the effectiveness of New Hampshire Individual Health Plan Benefit Association's
 internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant
 accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the
 financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the
 aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about New Hampshire Individual Health Plan Benefit
 Association's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audit.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued out report dated July 26, 2023, on our consideration of New Hampshire Individual Health Plan Benefit Association's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering New Hampshire Individual Health Plan Benefit Association's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Masoner Rich, P.A.

MASON + RICH PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION Certified Public Accountants Concord, New Hampshire

NEW HAMPSHIRE INDIVIDUAL HEALTH **PLAN BENEFIT ASSOCIATION** STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021

100		na
ASS	H.	3

ASSEIS		
CURRENT ASSETS	2022	2021
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 8,942,477	\$ 16.769.590
Assessments Receivable	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	
Prepaid Expenses, See Note B	8,135,928 1,110,123	9,135,450 726,891
Short-Term Investments	4,565,077	720,891
Total Current Assets	22,753,605	26,631,931
Total Carrent Assets	22,733,003	20,031,931
OTHER ASSETS		
Long-Term Investments	1,726,074	
Total Other Assets	1,726,074	-
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 24,479,679	\$ 26,631,931
LIABILITIES AND NET AS	SSETS	
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts Payable	\$ 2,445	\$ 4,528
Accrued Expenses	44,624	53,048
Deferred Assessments, Current Portion	23,640,584	26,574,355
Total Current Liabilities	23,687,653	26,631,931
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES		
Deferred Assessments, Net of Current Portion	601,789	-
Other Liabilities	190,237	-
Total Long-Term Liabilities	792,026	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES	24,479,679	26,631,931
TOTAL NET ASSETS	· ·	-
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 24,479,679	\$ 26,631,931

NEW HAMPSHIRE INDIVIDUAL HEALTH

PLAN BENEFIT ASSOCIATION
STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021

	2022	2021
ASSESSMENTS	2022	2021
Assessment Receipts and Receivables	\$ 34,601,996	\$ 20,046,076
Government Grants	31,544,102	-
Total Assessments	66,146,098	20,046,076
OTHER SUPPORT		
Miscellaneous Income	55,699	790
Total Other Support	55,699	790
TOTAL ASSESSMENTS & OTHER SUPPORT	66,201,797	20,046,866
EXPENSES		
PROGRAM EXPENSES		
Administrative Services - Granite Advantage	81,465	79,478
Administrative Services - Reinsurance	141,000	138,000
Remittance to NH Health Protection Program	20,736,851	19,502,926
Disbursements of Reinsurance Program	45,030,249	-
Professional Fees - Reinsurance	59,420	62,293
Information Technology - Reinsurance	8,000	8,000
Public Information - Granite Advantage	600	4,605
Total Program Expenses	66,057,585	19,795,302
MANAGEMENT & GENERAL		
Administrative Services	186,465	184,478
Bank Fees	625	706
Board Meetings	1,000	200
Insurance	9,000	9,000
Postage and Shipping	296	495
Printing	237	277
Professional Fees	70,054	92,122
Telephone	293	437
Total Management & General	267,970	287,715
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 66,325,555	\$ 20,083,017

STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021

NON OBER ATING REVENUE (EVDENGER)	2022	2021
NON-OPERATING REVENUE (EXPENSES)		
Investment Income, Net of Expenses	\$ 145,253	\$ 36,151
Net Realized and Unrealized Gain (Loss) on Investments	(21,495)	-
Total Non-Operating Revenue (Expenses)	123,758	36,151
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN NET ASSETS	-	-
NET ASSETS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	 -	
NET ASSETS, END OF YEAR	\$ 	\$

NEW HAMPSHIRE INDIVIDUAL HEALTH PLAN BENEFIT ASSOCIATION STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2022 AND 2021

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	2022	2021
Increase (Decrease) in Net Assets	\$ -	\$ -
(Increase) Decrease in Operating Assets:		
Assessments Receivable	999,522	(4,737,491)
Prepaid Expenses	(383,232)	(719,483)
Increase (Decrease) in Operating Liabilities:		
Accounts Payable	(2,083)	(4,794)
Accrued Expenses	(8,424)	(21,694)
Deferred Assessments, Current Portion	(2,933,771)	16,560,200
Deferred Assessments, Net of Current Portion	601,789	-
Other Liabilities	190,237	
Total Adjustments	(1,535,962)	11,076,738
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Operating Activities	(1,535,962)	11,076,738
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Purchase of Investments	(6,291,151)	-
Net Cash Provided by (Used in) Investing Activities	(6,291,151)	
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(7,827,113)	11,076,738
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year	16,769,590	5,692,852
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Year	\$ 8,942,477	\$ 16,769,590

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

A | NATURE OF OPERATIONS

New Hampshire Individual Health Plan Benefit Association (the "Association") is a statutory not-for-profit organization established by the State of New Hampshire under Chapter 404-G of the New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated ("RSA 404-G"). The Association's purpose is to protect the citizens of the state who participate in the individual health insurance market by providing a mechanism to equitably distribute the excess risk sometimes associated with this market. The Association previously made available individual health insurance to New Hampshire residents who are considered medically uninsurable or who otherwise qualify based on federal and state guidelines and currently supports the state's Medicaid expansion program and reinsurance program as described below.

The Association's membership consists, by statute, all writers of health insurance coverage in the state under RSA 415, 420-A or 420-B, including group excess loss insurance.

New Hampshire Marketplace Premium Assistance Program Support

In its 2016 session, the New Hampshire legislature amended various existing statutes, including RSA 404-G (the "2016 Statutory Amendments"). The 2016 Statutory Amendments required the Association to continue in existence for the sole and limited purpose of collecting assessments on behalf of the State of New Hampshire in support of the New Hampshire Marketplace Premium Assistance Program, a component of the New Hampshire Health Protection Program established under New Hampshire RSA 126-A:5 (XXV) to expand Medicaid coverage (the "Health Protection Program"). The Association adopted an Amended and Restated Plan of Operation and Termination (the "Amended Plan") to reflect this limited purpose and to require that any excess funds remaining from prior activities, after satisfaction of all the Association's liabilities, be used for the Health Protection Program and for the Association's reasonable operational costs. The Amended Plan guides and governs the remainder of the Association's operations and the winding down of the corporation, in which the Amended Plan has been further amended as disclosed in this Note A under "New Hampshire Granite Advantage Health Care Program Support" and under "New Hampshire Reinsurance Program". This program ended as of June 30, 2020.

New Hampshire Granite Advantage Health Care Program Support

In its 2018 session, the New Hampshire legislature further amended various existing statutes, including RSA 404-G (the "2018 Statutory Amendments"). The 2018 Statutory Amendments require the Association to continue in existence for the purpose of collecting assessments on behalf of the State of New Hampshire in support of the New Hampshire Granite Advantage Health Care Program (the "Granite Advantage Program") established under New Hampshire RSA 126-AA, which replaces the Marketplace Premium Assistance Program established under New Hampshire RSA 126-A:5 (XXV).

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The 2018 Statutory Amendments require the Association to collect from its members and deposit into the Granite Advantage Health Care Trust Fund an amount not to exceed the lesser of the "remainder amount" defined in New Hampshire RSA 126-AA:1(V) or the amount of revenue transferred from the alcohol abuse prevention and treatment fund pursuant to New Hampshire RSA 176-A:1(IV) and taxes attributable to premiums written for medical and other medical-related services for the newly eligible Medicaid population. To reflect the changes imposed by the 2018 Statutory Amendments, the Association adopted a First Amendment to its Restated Plan (the "First Amendment"). The First Amendment was approved by the Commissioner of the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services and by the Commissioner of the New Hampshire Insurance Department (the "Insurance Commissioner"). Among other matters, the First Amendment authorizes the Association to transfer any monies not needed for the support of the Marketplace Premium Assistance Program and the Association's related expenses to a reserve fund held by the Association for contingencies which may arise under its support of the Granite Advantage Program.

The 2018 Statutory Amendments state that the Granite Advantage Program will terminate on December 31, 2023 unless extended by future legislation. If no extension is enacted, then the Association will make its final distribution of assessment proceeds to the Granite Advantage Health Care Trust Fund by February 15, 2024. The Commissioner of the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services then will determine the final remainder amount under the Granite Advantage Program and report it to the Association by February 15, 2025. If the true-up reveals that the Association's assessments resulted in an underpayment of the final remainder amount, then the Association will remit the underpayment from its reserves or, if the reserves are not sufficient, from a special assessment of the Association's members. If the Association has overpaid the final remainder amount, that overpayment will be remitted to the Association within 45 days of the Commissioner's report.

New Hampshire Reinsurance Program

In its 2019 session, the New Hampshire Legislature further amended Section 12 of RSA 404-G, effective July 1, 2019 (the "2019 Statutory Amendments") to permit the Insurance Commissioner, if supported by the recommendation of actuarial experts, to request that the Association propose a plan of operation for a risk sharing program, reinsurance program or other program that will best support the availability and affordability of the individual insurance market in the state. Pursuant to the 2019 Statutory Amendments and based on the report of his actuarial experts, the Insurance Commissioner issued an Order on February 25, 2020 requiring the Association to assess and develop, if in furtherance of the Association's purpose, a proposal for a reinsurance program with the support of federal funding in the form of shared savings under a State Innovation Waiver (n/k/a State Relief and Empowerment Waiver) under Section 1332 of the Affordable Care Act (the "Section 1332 Waiver").

In response to the Insurance Commissioner's Order, the Association engaged its management team, in consultation with experts and legal counsel and the Insurance Commissioner, to review the actuarial analysis and determine the components of a proposed State market stabilization program and its anticipated costs and operational procedures and to develop a related Section 1332 Waiver application. To document its proposed program pursuant to Section 12 of the Statute, the Association adopted a Second Amendment to its Restated Plan (the "Second Amendment") on March 11, 2020. During 2020, all of the conditions to the implementation of the proposed program, known as the "New Hampshire Reinsurance Program" (the "Reinsurance Program"), were met, including approval

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and the U.S. Department of the Treasury (collectively the "Federal Agencies") of the State's Section 1332 Waiver application and its projected "pass-through savings". On September 30, 2020, the Insurance Commissioner issued a Supplemental Order directing that the Association, as Administrator of the Reinsurance Program, receive the federal grant monies under the Section 1332 Waiver. The Association adopted a Third Amendment to its Restated Plan (the "Third Amendment") on October 20, 2020 which allows and directs the Association to become the grantee of record under the Section 1332 Waiver, and to accept and receive directly federal funding under the Section 1332 Waiver.

The Reinsurance Program commenced operation on January 1, 2021 and has been administered by the Association on behalf of the New Hampshire Department of Insurance (the "Insurance Department"). The Reinsurance Program will reimburse issuers who offer comprehensive, major medical plans in New Hampshire's individual market that are part of the single-risk pool. Payments to carriers are to be calculated based on a percentage (coinsurance percentage) of the annual claims that issuers incur for coverage under such plans between a specified lower threshold (attachment point) and upper threshold (reinsurance cap). The reinsurance parameters are to be determined each year by the Insurance Department by March 31 of the prior year based on recommendations of the Board of Directors of the Association and the Commission of the Status of Health Coverage Markets for Individual and Small Employers. The Restated Plan, as amended, requires that all funding collected for the Reinsurance Program will be paid out (for payments to issuers and for program administration and reserves) for the year for which it is collected, but no additional State funds will be provided for the Reinsurance Program. The Association's obligation to make payments to issuers under the Reinsurance Program is limited to the extent of funding received by the Association in connection with the Reinsurance Program.

In 2021, pursuant to the Commissioner's Order, the Association began collecting quarterly assessments on behalf of the State of New Hampshire for the Reinsurance Program, as approved by the Commissioner. The accounting rules adopted by the Association will treat the State based assessment collections (less administrative expenses) as deferred assessments until specific claims costs are identified or other operating costs are recorded. On July 1, 2021, the Center of Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) awarded a grant to the Association under the Section 1332 State Innovation Waiver Program for the period January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. On September 7, 2021, CMS advised the Commissioner and the Association that it would be receiving additional funding for the program as a result of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. The Association was notified that federal grant funds of \$31,544,102, granted in 2021, will not be drawn until 2022 when participating carriers will be reimbursed for qualifying 2021 claims. Under the Association's Restated Plan, as amended, claims incurred in 2021 by participating carriers that may qualify for reimbursement under the Reinsurance Program will be evaluated and used to determine the reinsurance amount to be paid out to the carriers during the year ended December 31, 2022. See Note B for additional information. In June and September 2022, the Association drew the Federal grant funds of \$31,544,102 with \$13,486,147 of State of NH Reinsurance Assessment proceeds net of expenses distributed \$45,030,249 in funds to the three participating carriers in the 2021 program.

In July 2022, the Association received a Notice of Award of \$26,565,613 for the 2022 program which will be drawn in June 2023 to reimburse participating carriers for qualifying claims in 2022.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

B | SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

This summary of significant accounting policies of the Association is presented to assist in the understanding of these financial statements. The financial statements and notes are the representations of the Association's management who is responsible for their integrity and objectivity. These accounting policies conform to generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) in the United States of America and have been consistently applied in the preparation of these financial statements.

Basis of Accounting

The Association uses the accrual basis of accounting in its financial statements. Under this basis, revenue is recognized when earned rather than when payment is received and expenses and purchases of assets are recognized when the obligation is incurred rather than when the cash is disbursed.

Basis of Presentation

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in conformity with GAAP as prescribed or permitted by the New Hampshire Insurance Department, which differ from statutory accounting practices prescribed or permitted by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners Statutory Accounting Practices (NAIC SAP). A reconciliation of the Association's GAAP equity and NAIC SAP statutory surplus is not included within these financial statements due to the immateriality of differences.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the statements of cash flow, cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, funds on deposit with financial institutions, and investments with original maturities of three months or less. There were no cash equivalents as of December 31, 2022 and 2021.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements. Estimates also affect the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Prepaid Expenses

At December 31, 2022 and 2021, the Association's payments to the Granite Advantage Program exceeded the remainder amount by \$1,101,081 and \$718,469, respectively.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Contributions

Contributions are recognized under Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Update (ASU) 2018-08, Not-for-Profit Entities (Topic 958): Clarifying the Scope and the Accounting Guidance for Contributions Received and Contributions Made. Contributions received are recorded as net assets with donor restrictions or net assets without donor restrictions depending on the existence of nature of any donor restrictions. Contributions are recognized when the donor makes an unconditional promise to give to the Association. Contributions that are restricted by the donor are reported as increases in net assets without donor restrictions if the restriction expires in the fiscal year in which the contributions are recognized. All other donor-restricted contributions are reported as increases in net assets with donor restrictions depending on the nature of the restrictions. When a restriction expires, net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions.

Substantially all of the Association's support is from assessments collected from insurance carriers as noted in the Member Assessments disclosure. The assessments include donor-imposed conditions or barriers that must be overcome before the Association is entitled to the transfer of assets. The barriers include limited discretion over how the resources are spent and the contributor retains a right of return of the resources provided. The assessments are transferred from the contributor in advance of the Association overcoming either of the barriers. As a result of these conditions, contributions are recognized as liabilities until the conditions have been substantially met or explicitly waived by the donor. The total deferred assessments were \$24,242,373 and \$26,574,355 at December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. At the point the conditions have been substantially met, the contributions are recognized immediately and classified as net assets without donor restrictions.

In 2022, United Health Services Inc. (United), parent company to Tufts Health Freedom Insurance Company (Tufts), advised the Association that Tufts had overpaid assessments for the calendar years 2019, 2020, and 2021 and requested that the overpayments be returned to Tufts. On October 27, 2022, the Association and United entered into a settlement agreement establishing a total refund amount of \$1,940,960. Further, under the agreement, the amounts overpaid for 2019 totaling \$380,473 would be paid by cash payments, one half within 30 days of the agreement and the balance by cash payment no later than August 15, 2024. Under the agreement, Tufts' reportable assessable lives due quarterly would be credited back to Tufts beginning November 15, 2022 for the Third Quarter reported lives and quarterly thereafter until the balance outstanding is fully credited to Tufts. As of December 31, 2022, the balance of assessment credits remaining of \$1,202,168 is included in Deferred Assessments and the remaining cash payment of \$190,237 is recognized as Other Liabilities on the statements of financial position.

Member Assessments - Granite Advantage Program

The 2018 Statutory Amendments require that each year the Commissioner of the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services, after consultation with the Insurance Commissioner, will report the "remainder amount" for the Granite Advantage Program for the next calendar year to the Association (and others). Further, the Association is required to calculate and report, by November 1st of the year preceding the assessment year, an assessment rate per member per month utilizing carrier's prior experience and seeking to collect 50% of the remainder amount plus the Association's expenses. Each year, the Association obtains the approval of the Insurance Commissioner for the assessment rates that insurance carriers pay, as required by RSA 404-G.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Member Assessments – Reinsurance Program under State Innovation Waiver under Section 1332 of the Affordable Care Act

As stated in Note A, the Reinsurance Program is in part funded by the Association's member required assessments. The assessment rate for this program is established in March of the year preceding the program year and is a calculation based on the second lowest cost Silver Plan in the New Hampshire rating area for a 40-year-old nonsmoker multiplied by .006.

Assessments Receivable

Assessments receivable are stated at the estimated amount management expects to collect based on the number of reported covered lives from the prior quarter. Following the end of each calendar quarter, the Association's members are required to report their covered lives for each month separately for the Granite Advantage Program and the Reinsurance Program and separately remit assessments due for each program. The total member assessments receivable was \$8,135,928 and \$9,135,450 at December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. Management evaluates the collectability of member accounts by considering factors such as historical experience, the age of the receivable, and current economic conditions that may affect the member's ability to pay. The Association does not record an allowance for doubtful accounts because management expects to collect all outstanding balances; this is not considered a departure from accounting principles generally accepted in the United States because the effects of the direct write off method approximate those of the allowance method. The Association assesses interest to members on assessments not paid within 45 days after each calendar quarter.

If necessary, the Board may establish one or more special assessment rates to satisfy all debts and liabilities of the Association, including the collection of 50% of the "remainder amount" due to the Granite Advantage Health Care Trust Fund. No special assessments have been charged to the insurance carriers for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021.

Investments

Under FASB ASC 958-320, *Investments – Debt Securities*, the Association measures debt securities, in the form of federal Treasury bills and notes, at their fair value on the statements of financial position. Investment income is considered a change in net assets without donor restrictions, unless restricted by a donor's explicit stipulation or law. Realized and unrealized gains and losses on securities in the investment portfolio are allocated to net assets on a specific-identification basis and are included as a component of the changes in net assets without donor restrictions or net assets with donor restrictions depending on donor specifications.

Net Assets

The Association reports its net assets as required by FASB ASU 2016-14, *Not-for-Profit Entities* (Topic 958): Presentation of Financial Statements of Not-for-Profit Entities. Under ASU 2016-14, the Association is required to report information regarding its financial position and activities according to the following classes: net assets without donor restrictions and net assets with donor restrictions.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Descriptions of the net asset categories included in the Association's financial statements are as follows:

<u>Net assets without donor restrictions</u> include revenues and expenses and contributions which are not subject to any donor imposed restrictions. Unrestricted net assets can be board designated by the Executive Board for special projects and expenditures; however, there were no board designations at December 31, 2022 and 2021.

Net assets with donor restrictions include contributions for which time restrictions or donor-imposed restrictions have not yet been met. When a restriction expires, net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified to net assets without donor restrictions and reported in the statement of activities as net assets released from restriction. Net assets with donor restrictions also include gifts which require, by donor restriction, that the corpus be invested in perpetuity and only the income or a portion thereof (excluding capital gains restricted by State statute) be made available for program operations in accordance with donor restrictions.

As disclosed in Note B, under the Contributions disclosure, the Association receives substantially all its support from assessments which are recognized as a liability until certain barriers are overcome. As a result, the Association does not carry a net asset balance since the excess of assessments and other support over expenses and other deductions is reported as a liability under deferred assessments.

Functional Allocation of Expenses

The costs of providing the various programs and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statements of activities. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated among the programs and supporting services benefited. Expenses are charged to each program based on the direct expenses incurred or estimated usage based on time spent on each program by the subcontracted management company.

Income Taxes

As of October 1, 2016, the Association asserted its exemption from federal income tax under Section 115 of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC) of 1986, as amended (the "Tax Code"), as an affiliate of a governmental unit. Because the Reinsurance Program has been added to the Association's operations, the Association filed Form 1024-A with the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) to seek recognition as a social services organization exempt from federal income taxation under IRC Section 501(c)(4) of the Tax Code. On March 21, 2022, the Association received notification that the IRS approved NHHP's request to be recognized as an exempt organization under IRC Section 501(c)(4) of the Tax Code, effective June 24, 2021.

Management evaluates its tax positions in accordance with FASB Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 740-10, *Accounting for Uncertain Tax Positions*, which prescribes a recognition threshold and measurement attribute for financial statement recognition and measurement of a tax position taken or expected to be taken in a tax return and also provides guidance on various related matters such as derecognition, interest, penalties, and disclosures required. The Association's policy is to recognize interest and penalties related to unrecognized tax benefits as tax expense.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Fair Value Measurements

The topic of FASB ASC 820-10, *Fair Value Measurement*, defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value in generally accepted accounting principles, and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. FASB ASC 820-10 is effective for financial statements issued for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007 for all financial assets and liabilities and any other assets and liabilities that are recognized or disclosed at fair value on a recurring basis.

In addition to defining fair value, FASB ASC 820-10 expands the disclosure requirements around fair value and establishes a fair value hierarchy for valuation inputs. The hierarchy prioritizes the inputs into three levels based on the extent to which inputs used in measuring fair value are observable in the market. Each fair value measurement is reported in one of the three levels which are determined by the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety. These levels are:

Level one – inputs are based upon unadjusted quoted prices for identical instruments traded in active markets. All of the Association's investments are level 1 inputs at December 31, 2022 and 2021.

Level two – inputs are based upon quoted prices for similar instructions in active markets, quoted prices for identical or similar instruments in markets that are not active, and model-based valuation techniques for which all significant assumptions are observable in the market or can be corroborated by observable market data for substantially the full term of the assets or liabilities. The Association did not have level 2 inputs at December 31, 2022 and 2021.

Level three – inputs are generally unobservable and typically reflect management's estimates of assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. The fair values are therefore determined using model-based techniques that include option-pricing models, discounted cash flow models, and similar techniques. The Association did not have level 3 inputs at December 31, 2022 and 2021.

C | INVESTMENTS

During the year ended December 31, 2022, the Association separately transferred \$5,000,000 in funds of the Reinsurance Program and \$1,300,000 in funds of the Granite Advantage Program to the Wealth Management Group of Bank of New Hampshire to be invested in U.S. Treasury bills and notes, not to exceed a total of \$7.0 million. As of December 31, 2022, the Association held investments at cost totaled \$6,312,646 which investments at face value totaled \$6,519,000, with maturities between June 15, 2023 and May 31, 2024. Investments carry interest rates between 2.73% and 4.41% at maturity and are carried at market value as of December 31, 2022. At December 31, 2022, the fair market of investments held was \$6,291,151, which includes unrealized loss of \$21,495. If held to maturities, these investments would realize at total face value the spread of \$206,354.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Cost and fair value of debt securities at December 31 are as follows:

	Cost	Net Unrealized Gain	Net Unrealized Loss	Fair Value
2022 Debt Securities	\$ 6,312,646	\$ -	\$ (21,495)	\$ 6,291,151

Investment proceeds and related changes in investments for the year ended December 31 are as follows:

	2022
Interest and Dividends	\$ 42,029
Changes in Investments	(21,495)
Less Investment Fees	(5,407)
Total Investment Return	\$ 15,127

D | RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

As discussed in Note A, assessments are levied on all members based on projected funding needs. The assessments are determined by the Board of Directors, the majority of which is comprised of representatives elected by the members, as required by RSA 404-G. The total assessments charged to related party insurance carriers were \$31,067,844 and \$36,606,276 for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. The assessment receipts and receivables on the statements of activities was \$34,601,996 and \$20,046,076 for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. The difference between the total assessments charged to related parties and the amount reported on the statement of activities was the result of changes in deferred assessments. See the note disclosure for Contributions under Note B for more information.

E | **CONCENTRATIONS**

Cash

The Association maintains cash balances that, at times, may exceed the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) federally insured limit of \$250,000. The Association also maintains a cash balance in three money market accounts which in turn hold multiple the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation guaranteed investments up to \$250,000. As of December 31, 2022 and 2021, the Association's uninsured cash balance totaled \$476,458 and \$715,962, respectively. The Association's management believes it is not exposed to significant risk.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Assessment Receipts and Receivables

For the year ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, the Association collected approximately \$17,240,600 and \$10,986,600, respectively, or 50%, of assessment receipts and receivables from three of its members. The Association's management believes it is not exposed to significant risk because it can charge special assessments to satisfy all debts and liabilities of the Association, if needed.

F | CASH RESERVES

The Association's Board of Directors has adopted a policy whereby the Association will maintain a cash reserve balance for the administrative cost to operate the New Hampshire Marketplace Premium Assistance Program, Granite Advantage Program, and for unanticipated financial issues. The cash reserves required for this purpose at December 31, 2022 and 2021 was \$1,845,746 and \$1,380,746, respectively. See Note I for information regarding the Association's liquidity reserve.

G | **INCOME TAXES**

For the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, management has evaluated its tax positions in accordance with FASB ASC 740-10, *Accounting for Uncertain Tax Positions*. The Association's management does not believe they have taken uncertain tax positions; therefore, a liability for income taxes associated with uncertain tax positions has not been recognized. Additionally, the Association did not recognize interest or penalties resulting from tax liabilities associated with recognizing uncertain tax positions for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021.

As disclosed in Note B, the Association has asserted its exemption from federal income tax under IRC Section 115 the Tax Code from the period of October 1, 2016 through July 31, 2020. The Association remains subject to examination by taxing authorities during this period indefinitely. Management has evaluated its risks in asserting exemption from federal income tax under Section 115 of the Tax Code and believes risks are minimal.

On June 24, 2021, the Association filed Form 1024-A with the IRS requesting exemption from federal income tax as a social service organization under IRC Section 501(c)(4) of the Tax Code. On March 21, 2022, the Association received notification that the IRS approved the Association's request for exemption from federal income tax under IRC Section 501(c)(4). In the normal course of business, the Association will be subject to examination by taxing authorities for three years from the date the tax returns are filed or until 2024.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

H | CONTINGENT ASSET

The Association was awarded a judgment for restitution totaling \$70,648 in the year ended December 31, 2016. The timing and collection of the restitution payments was ordered by the court based on the defendants' ability to pay which management believed was not reasonably certain. At December 31, 2021, the remaining balance owed to the Association was \$54,809; however, in 2022, the Association received a payment of \$55,697 as payment in full of the awarded judgment. Therefore, there was no balance owed at December 31, 2022. For the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, the Association collected restitution payments of \$55,699 and \$790, respectively. The Association has collected total payments of \$71,536 and \$15,839 as of December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively, which includes interest on balances due.

I | LIQUIDITY AND AVAILABILITY OF FINANCIAL ASSETS

The Association's financial assets available within one year from the statements of financial position date for general operating expenses are as follows:

	2022	2021
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 8,942,477	\$ 16,769,590
Assessments Receivables	8,135,928	9,135,450
Prepaid Expenses	1,110,123	726,891
Short-Term Investments	4,565,077	
Financial Assets, Year End	22,753,605	26,631,931
Less those unavailable for general expenditure		
within one year due to:		
Cash Reserves	(1,845,746)	(1,380,746)
Financial assets available to meet cash needs		
for general expenditures within one year	\$ 20,907,859	\$ 25,251,185

As disclosed in Note A under the New Hampshire Granite Advantage Health Care Program disclosure, the Association is required to continue in existence for the purpose of collecting assessments on behalf of the State of New Hampshire in support of the Granite Advantage Program. Furthermore, the Association is scheduled to operate the Reinsurance Program through 2026. As a result of the Association's limited function and finite operating period, management has specifically budgeted for its obligations owed to the New Hampshire Health Protection Trust Fund for the "remainder amounts" and for other operating expenses, but not for runout period expenses of the Reinsurance Program. Management believes its liquid financial assets are sufficient to fund these operations

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

At times, the Board of Directors may designate a portion of any operating surplus to its cash reserves, as outlined in the Associations First Amendment to its Restated Plan of Operation. At December 31, 2022 and 2021, there were cash reserves of \$1,845,746 and \$1,380,746, respectively. The Board of Directors believe the cash reserves are sufficient to fund unanticipated liquidity needs that may arise. See Note F for more information. The Board of Directors also may establish one or more special assessment rates to satisfy all debts and liabilities of the Association, including the "remainder amount" due to the New Hampshire Granite Advantage Health Care Trust Fund or the Granite Advantage Program. As of December 31, 2022 and 2021, no special assessments were deemed necessary or have been charged to the insurance carriers.

J | COVID-19 CONSIDERATIONS

In March 2020, the World Health Organization declared the outbreak of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) as a pandemic which continues to spread throughout the world. While the spread of this virus has caused business disruptions across the United States, the Association has not experienced any significant interruptions to their activities for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, respectively. While there remains considerable uncertainty around the duration of this pandemic, there are no going concerns with the Association's ability to continue operations for a period of one year from the date of these financial statements.

K | SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

Management has evaluated subsequent events through July 26, 2023, the date which the financial statements were available to be issued, and has not evaluated subsequent events after that date. The Association did not identify any subsequent events that would require disclosure in the financial statements.