## **FEMA Provides \$17.9 Million to North Shore University Health System**

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**CHICAGO** – The U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) announced today that \$17,950,808 in federal funding has been made available to North Shore University Health System for costs related to the state's response to the COVID-19 pandemic under the federal disaster declaration of March 26, 2020.

This funding will reimburse North Shore University Health System for costs to establish and operate medical care units for COVID-19 positive patients, treat COVID-19 positive and presumed positive patients, expand the emergency department triage bay, retrofit or expand other health facilities to mitigate pandemic spread, establish and operate a testing site, hire additional staff and acquire life-saving personal protective equipment.

"FEMA's Public Assistance Program is a critical source of support as we work to end the COVID-19 pandemic," said Kevin M. Sligh, acting regional administrator, FEMA Region 5. "This grant funding helped North Shore University Health System implement important safety precautions to keep providers and patients safe and reduce the spread of the virus."

FEMA provides funding at a 100 percent federal share of eligible reimbursable expenses for this project.

FEMA's Public Assistance Program provides funding to local government jurisdictions and eligible private non-profits for the repair, replacement, or restoration of disaster-damaged infrastructure as well as costs incurred for emergency actions taken to protect lives or property. To learn more, visit FEMA's website at <a href="https://www.fema.gov/public-assistance-local-state-tribal-and-non-profit">www.fema.gov/public-assistance-local-state-tribal-and-non-profit</a>. For more information about FEMA's COVID-19 vaccine support efforts, visit <a href="https://www.fema.gov/disasters/coronavirus/vaccine-support">www.fema.gov/disasters/coronavirus/vaccine-support</a>.

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