FEMA Awards Over \$1 Million to State of New Hampshire for COVID Ventilator Costs

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BOSTON – The Federal Emergency Management Agency will be sending more than \$1 million to the State of New Hampshire to reimburse the state for the cost of providing ventilators for patients during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The \$1,035,424 FEMA Public Assistance grant to the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services will reimburse it for the cost of providing portable generators and servicing ventilators at eight hospitals between April 2020 and July 2022.

Department staff and contractors provided 80 portable ventilator units, re-certified approximately 50 ventilator components, and serviced eight hospital-owned ventilators to ensure their operability. The ventilators were deployed to the following locations: Cheshire Medical Center in Keene, Concord Hospital-Laconia, Cottage Hospital in Woodsville, Exeter Hospital, Huggins Hospital in Wolfeboro, Memorial Hospital in North Conway, Southern NH Medical Center in Nashua, and Valley Regional Hospital in Claremont.

"FEMA is pleased to be able to assist State of New Hampshire with these costs," said FEMA Region 1 Regional Administrator Lori Ehrlich. "Providing resources for our institutions of higher education to combat the COVID-19 pandemic is critical to their success, and to our success as a nation."

FEMA's Public Assistance program is an essential source of funding for states and communities recovering from a federally declared disaster or emergency.

So far, FEMA has provided more than \$197 million in Public Assistance grants to New Hampshire to reimburse the state for pandemic-related expenses.



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