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Sept. 22, 2022

Carroll County Commissioners
Terry McCarthy, Chairman
Matthew Plache, Vice-Chairman
Kimberly Tessari, Clerk
Administration Building
95 Water Village Road, Box 1
Ossipee, NH 03864

Dear Carroll County Commissioners:

Visiting Nurse Home Care and Hospice of Carroll County (VNHCH) is submitting the enclosed Regional Appropriation Request for the agency for FY 2023. Our agency is very appreciative of the county's past support which has allowed us to continue to provide needed home care services for the most vulnerable residents of Carroll County. VNHCH has several lines of service-our skilled home care program focuses on more acute care as a person recovers from illness or injury, the hospice program provides supportive care as people near the end of their life. Both these programs are primarily funded by Medicare and private insurances but due to changing costs and restricted reimbursement these programs do not generate the surplus needed to support other programs. The long-term care program focuses on the elderly or disabled population. Services provided under the long term care program are primarily personal care, home health aide and homemaker services although nursing provides oversight and coordination of care. VNHCH also has a palliative care program, the goal of palliative care is to provide support and resources to those who may be living with a chronic disease, are elderly or may need support and assistance. Many of our clients on long term care programs benefit from palliative care as it connects them to additional support. Palliative care is not reimbursable under traditional payor sources but fills a community need and allows for long term oversight and support.

Older adults are living longer and more productive lives. Those with chronic illness and disability are more likely to want to remain independent and in their own homes. Carroll County has one of the most elderly populations in the state and that age cohort continues to grow, most people state their desire to live in their own homes versus living in a facility. Home care services support this wish and provides for coordinated person centered care.

It is not uncommon for our staff to provide home care services to an individual or couple for many years, especially in our long- term care programs. Since VNHCH provides a variety of service lines it is not uncommon for a person to move from one program to another. As illness and disability progress, we often provide the entire family with physical and emotional support so that they can care for their loved one at home. In the end, our staff offers both high touch and high tech care that balances the needs of

client and caregivers alike. These are the special attributes that make home care a vital part of today's health care environment, and our staff is dedicated to providing person centered care in all programs. The long term care program embodies the type of client specific services that allow people to age gracefully and safely in their home.

At the same time, state funding for these vital programs continue to lag behind the cost of providing services. Despite modest increases in funding meeting the cost of providing services is difficult to say the least. We are challenged daily to evaluate how home care interacts with and adds value to the health care system. We must constantly re-imagine the most effective and efficient ways to structure, deliver and be reimbursed for home care services. Despite increasing administrative burdens, we remain focused on our core values of service delivery and meeting the needs of the residents of Carroll County.

As with all industries the effect of the COVID 19 pandemic has caused even more stress on an already over-burdened system. VNHCH offers a robust benefit package as well as other incentives to recruit and retain adequate staff to meet the needs of our community members. We are pleased to report that these efforts have been successful, and our mission is to ensure that we do not have to delay services due to staffing.

The Carroll County Regional Appropriation is used to support two key Long Term Care programs: (1) Bureau of Elderly and Adult Services Title XX and Title IIIB, and (2) the Choices For Independence (CFI) Program (CFI).

Our agency continues to sustain annual losses in our long-term care program. VNHCH is requesting level funding \$75,000 for FY2023 to assist in closing this critical financial gap. Our services represent a substantial cost savings to the county as we work to provide quality home and community-based care to the county's frailest citizens in an effort to prevent or delay nursing home placement. It is clear that affordable and accessible home and community based care must remain an essential component of Carroll County's long-term care system.

Visiting Nurse Home Care and Hospice of Carroll County gratefully acknowledges the generous support that the Carroll County Commissioners and the Delegation members have demonstrated in the past. The Board of Directors, clients and staff are most grateful for your continuing support of our mission to provide quality home care services to county residents. Please let us know if you need any additional information or if we can answer any questions.

Sincerely,

Sandra Ruka, MSN RN

Executive Director

CARROLL COUNTY APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

AGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Applicant Agency: Visiting Nurse Home Care & Hospice of Carroll County

Contact Person: Sandra Ruka, MSN RN Executive Director

Phone:603 356-7006 x114 E-mail: slruka@vnhch.org

Agency Address: Mailing- PO Box 432 (Physical- 1529 White Mountain Highway

City: North Conway State: NH ZIP Code: 03860

Agency's Total Operating Budget:

Prior Year: 2021 - \$3,485,915 | Current Year: 2022 - \$3,698,605 | Proposed Year: 2023 - \$4,046,216

Amount of Funding Requested from Carroll County for 2023: \$75,000

DESCRIPTION OF FEE STRUCTURE, IF APPLICABLE:

Clients can pay full fee for all home care services or apply for financial assistance through Medicaid,

Choices for Independence (CFI), or other low income funding sources such as Title XX or Title IIIB.

Clients eligible for low income assistance are assessed on a sliding fee based on their income assets.

These fees, fundraising and county funding, supplement our low income grants to meet our visit service

Costs. Medicaid, Title XX and Title IIIb clients do not pay so-pays to the agency.

FUNDING SOURCES Category Source, Title, Actual Prior FY: 2021 **Budget Current** Request FY: 2023 Act FY:2022 Fees **Federal** State **SEE ATTACHED** County Municipal **Fund Raising** Grants Other

AGENCY OPERATING BUDGET **Budget Current FY: 2022** Request FY: 2023 **Actual Prior FY: 2021** Personnel Fringe Benefits Consultants & Subcontracts **Utilities:** Electric, **SEE ATTACHED** Phone, Heat, etc. Rent Office Supplies, Printing, Advertising, etc. **Education & Training** (please attach detail on separate page) Travel, Lodging Other TOTALS:

DEFINE UNIT OF SERVICE FOR THIS PROGRAM:

A unit of service equals one visit of direct services in a client home and includes Nursing Care Management, Nursing Assessment and Supervision, Homemaker, Home Health Aide, Personal Care Services, and Caregiver Training.

| | <u> Actual Prior FY: 2021</u> | <u>Budget FY: 2022</u> | Request FY: 2023 |
|--|-------------------------------|------------------------|------------------|
| Total number of units of service in Carroll County | 10,206 | 10,039 | 10,000 |
| Unit of Service Cost | \$97.04 | \$95.21 | \$100.36 |
| Total number of individuals served in Carroll County (count each person only once) | 148 | 150 | 140 |

Explain Method of Formula used to determine amount of Carroll County funding requested:

County funds are used as match funding for low income programs of Title Xx Homemaker, Title IIIB Home Health Aide And Medicaid – Choices for Independence (CFI). 5% of the total cost of Title XX and IIIB is provided by County Funding; 11% of the Medicaid CFI program. All other match funding is generated by Donations and Fund Raising. State/Federal Funds greatly underfund these programs.

| Bureau of Elderly & Adult Ser | vices (BEAS) | Medicaid: Choices for Independence (CFI) | | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------|--|---------------------|------------|------|
| Total Cost | \$401,423 | 100% | Total Cost | \$ 492,067 | 100% |
| Fed / State | 155,000 | 39% | Fed / State | 190,000 | 39% |
| Fees / Fund Raising | 50,000 | 13% | Fees / Fund Raising | 50,000 | 10% |
| County Funds | 20,000 | 5% | County Funds | 55,000 | 11% |

SERVICE AND FINANCIAL DATA

| Service and Cost Distribution | (estima | ated) for: | |
|-------------------------------|---------|------------|------|
| M! | | | T 41 |

| Municipality | <u>Individuals Served</u> | Units of Service |
|-----------------|---------------------------|------------------|
| Albany | 2 | 174 |
| Bartlett | 7 | 598 |
| Brookfield | 1 | 58 |
| Chatham | 1 | 58 |
| Conway | 60 | 4620 |
| Eaton | 1 | 58 |
| Effingham | 1 | 58 |
| Freedom | 2 | 266 |
| Hale's Location | 1 | 58 |
| Hart's Location | 1 | 58 |
| Jackson | 1 | 26 |
| Madison | 14 | 1400 |
| Moultonborough | 3 | 182 |
| Ossipee | 7 | 708 |
| Sandwich | 1 | 58 |
| Tamworth | 5 | 514 |
| Tuftonboro | 1 | 58 |
| Wakefield | 2 | 38 |
| Wolfeboro | 9 | 1010 |
| TOTALS | 120 | 10,000 |

Board of Directors: On a separate page, please provide the name of each member of your agency's board of directors and a detail of what, if any, compensation each Director receives.

Additional Documentation: Please provide a copy of the organization's most recent annual financial statement, bylaws, certificate of incorporation and proof of non-profit status.

| Provide a brief narrative description of the program(s) for which you are requesting funding. |
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| Within the narrative: |
| a. Describe the problem which the program will address. b. Describe the services to be provided and/or the activities to be engaged in. c. Describe the target population as succinctly as possible, including the geographical coverage, age group and/or other special characteristics. d. Mission Statement |
| Through our long-term care programs, Visiting Nurse Home Care & Hospice of Carroll County (VNHCH) |
| Provides comprehensive home care services throughout the county to seniors, adults living with |
| Disabilities, their families and caregivers. Our services include information and referral, case management, |
| Nursing assessments, care coordination and supervision, home health aides, homemaking, family caregiver |
| Training and support, advocacy and advance care planning. Individual assessments are done on all clients |
| To determine needs. These needs are reassessed on a periodic basis to ensure that the appropriate hours of |
| Care are provides. Through coordination and access to other agency programs such as skilled home care and |
| Hospice, our clients have access to a wide range of services that integrate and coordinate with their |
| Long-term programs. |
| |
| VNHCH's unique modes of care coordinates services from one central point, which minimizes duplication |
| While providing the right level of care at the right time. We are consistently working on staffing models |
| That provide ongoing support that are structured to meet individual client's needs. Although workforce |
| Is a nationwide concern VNHCH has been successful in recruiting and retaining staff to meed the needs of |
| Our clients. |
| As a not-for-profit agency, we are proud of our mission:- |
| "Using our passion for compassion to provide exceptional home health care |
| That enables independent living and quality of life for our clients and their families." |
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| CERTIFICATION BY AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES |
| The undersigned hereby certifies and represents that: |
| The information contained in this application and attached appendices is, to the best of my knowledge, accurate and complete; |

2. The undersigned is authorized to act on behalf of the organization in submitting this application.

Signature Preparer's Printed Name & Title Date Signature Signature Date 9-29-22

| CATEGORY | SOURCE, TITLE, ACT | 6/30/2021 | 6/30/2022 | Budget FY 22 | Actual 8/31/2022 | Budget FY 23 |
|---|--|---|---|---|--|---|
| 1 FEES | CLIENT and SUPPORT FEES | 943,542 | 855,499 | 936,000 | 128,233 | 880,97 |
| 2 FEDERAL | OAA: TITLE III B | 53,156 | 47,882 | 55,000 | 7,226 | 50,00 |
| 3 | MEDICARE | 2,033,697 | 2,471,875 | 2,050,000 | 351,363 | 2,503,72 |
| 4 STATE | TITLE XX: AIHC / HM | 128,658 | 104,622 | 125,000 | 15,636 | 105,0 |
| 5 | TITLE XIX: MEDICAID | 287,738 | 217,792 | 300,000 | 27,751 | 230,0 |
| 6 7 | SERVICELINK ADRD RESPITE | - | - | - | - | - |
| 8 COUNTY | CARROLL COUNTY | 75,000 | 75,000 | 75,000 | 12,500 | 75,0 |
| | | | | | | |
| MUNICIPAL | / TOWN | | | | | |
| 9 FUNDRAISIN | NG / PROGRAM SUPPORT | 49,011 | 38,722 | 40,000 | 7,990 | 40,0 |
| 10 GRANTS, BE | EQUESTS, DONATIONS | 60,387 | 135,481 | 75,000 | 2,183 | 100,0 |
| 11 OTHER 12 OTHER | MISCELLANEOUS COVID-19 Support | 699,543 592,328 | (379,967) | 186,400 | 53,835 | 137,5 |
| 12 OTTILIN | COVID-13 Support | 332,320 | _ | _ | | _ |
| | | | | | | |
| TOTALS | ALL SOURCES | 4,923,060 | 3,566,906 | 3,842,400 | 606,717 | 4,122,2 |
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| | ALL SOURCES | 4,923,060 2,035,441 | 3,566,906 2,080,605 | 3,842,400 | 606,717 319,662 | |
| EXPENSES | | | | | | 2,263,0 |
| EXPENSES 1 Salaries 2 Payroll Taxe 3 Benefits | 28 | 2,035,441 147,287 346,170 | 2,080,605 151,570 358,626 | 2,260,000 150,000 417,000 | 319,662 26,648 63,800 | 2,263,0 170,3 426,7 |
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Visiting Nurse Home Care & Hospice of Carroll County Board of Directors

Effective 11/17/21

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| 2020-2022 Susan Ruka |
| 2020-2022 Diane Ryan |





FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2021 and 2020

With Independent Auditor's Report



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Directors Visiting Nurse Home Care & Hospice of Carroll County

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of Visiting Nurse Home Care & Hospice of Carroll County, which comprise the balance sheets as of June 30, 2021 and 2020, and the related statements of operations, changes in net assets, and cash flows for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (U.S. GAAP); this includes 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.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. We conducted our audits in accordance with U.S. generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Visiting Nurse Home Care & Hospice of Carroll County as of June 30, 2021 and 2020, and the results of its operations, changes in its net assets and its cash flows for the years then ended, in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

Berry Dunn McNeil & Parker, LLC

Manchester, New Hampshire

November 2, 2021

Balance Sheets

June 30, 2021 and 2020

ASSETS

| | <u>2021</u> | 2020 |
|---|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Current assets Cash and cash equivalents Patient accounts receivable, net Other current assets | \$ 1,631,610 518,378 130,770 | \$ 1,466,892 326,819 128,185 |
| Total current assets | 2,280,758 | 1,921,896 |
| Assets limited as to use Property and equipment, net | 3,470,968 <u>36,363</u> | 2,814,276 50,074 |
| Total assets | \$ <u>5,788,089</u> | \$ <u>4,786,246</u> |
| LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS | | |
| Current liabilities Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Accrued payroll and related expenses CARES Act Funding | \$ 42,029 272,473 | \$ 36,836 199,888 527,281 |
| Total current liabilities | 314,502 | 764,005 |
| Net assets Without donor restrictions With donor restrictions | 5,440,839 <u>32,748</u> | 4,003,694 18,547 |
| Total net assets | 5,473,587 | 4,022,241 |
| Total liabilities and net assets | \$ <u>5,788,089</u> | \$ <u>4,786,246</u> |

Statements of Operations

Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020

| | <u>2021</u> | <u>2020</u> |
|---|---------------------|-------------------|
| Operating revenue | | |
| Net patient service revenue | \$ 3,229,646 | \$ 2,827,293 |
| Grant revenue | 222,064 | 203,969 |
| Net assets released for operations | 9,799 | 21,527 |
| CARES Act and other operating revenue | <u>674,716</u> | <u>121,533</u> |
| Total operating revenue | 4,136,225 | 3,174,322 |
| Operating expenses | | |
| Salaries and benefits | 2,528,898 | 2,401,036 |
| Other operating expenses | 897,318 | 817,850 |
| Depreciation | 23,699 | 27,037 |
| Total operating expenses | 3,449,915 | 3,245,923 |
| Operating gain (loss) | 686,310 | <u>(71,601</u>) |
| Other revenue and gains | | |
| Contributions | 59,849 | 84,105 |
| Investment income, net | 73,840 | 69,406 |
| Change in fair value of investments | <u>617,146</u> | <u>82,285</u> |
| Total other revenue and gains | 750,835 | 235,796 |
| Excess of revenue over expenses and increase in net assets without donor restrictions | \$ <u>1,437,145</u> | \$ <u>164,195</u> |

Statements of Changes in Net Assets

Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020

| | Without Donor Restrictions | With Donor Restrictions | <u>Total</u> |
|---|-------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Balances, June 30, 2019 | \$ 3,839,499 | \$9,073 | \$ 3,848,572 |
| Excess of revenue over expenses Net assets released from restrictions Contributions | 164,195 - | (21,527) 31,001 | 164,195 (21,527) 31,001 |
| Increase in net assets | 164,195 | 9,474 | 173,669 |
| Balances, June 30, 2020 | 4,003,694 | 18,547 | 4,022,241 |
| Excess of revenue over expenses Net assets released from restrictions Contributions | 1,437,145 - - | (9,799) <u>24,000</u> | 1,437,145 (9,799) <u>24,000</u> |
| Increase in net assets | 1,437,145 | <u>14,201</u> | 1,451,346 |
| Balances, June 30, 2021 | \$ <u>5,440,839</u> | \$ <u>32,748</u> | \$ <u>5,473,587</u> |

Statements of Cash Flows

Years Ended June 30, 2021 and 2020

| | <u>2021</u> | <u>2020</u> |
|--|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Cash flows from operating activities Increase in net assets Adjustments to reconcile increase in net assets to net cash provided by operating activities | \$ 1,451,346 | \$ 173,669 |
| Depreciation Change in fair value of investments (Increase) decrease in | 23,699 (617,146) | 27,037 (82,285) |
| Patient accounts receivable Other current assets Increase (decrease) in | (191,559) (2,585) | · · |
| Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Accrued payroll and related expenses CARES Act Provider Relief Funds | 5,193 72,585 <u>(527,281</u>) | (3,644) 40,569 527,281 |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | 214,252 | 750,479 |
| Cash flows from investing activities Investment purchases Proceeds from sale of investments Capital expenditures | (398,381) 358,835 (9,988) | (1,160,083) 1,121,402 |
| Net cash used by investing activities | (49,534) | (38,681) |
| Net increase in cash and cash equivalents | 164,718 | 711,798 |
| Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year | 1,466,892 | 755,094 |
| Cash and cash equivalents, end of year | \$ <u>1,631,610</u> | \$ <u>1,466,892</u> |

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1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

Organization

Visiting Nurse Home Care & Hospice of Carroll County (the Association) is a non-stock, non-profit corporation organized in the State of New Hampshire. The Association's primary purpose is to provide comprehensive home care services to communities in New Hampshire.

Basis of Presentation

Net assets and revenues, expenses, gains, and losses are classified as described below based on the existence or absence of donor-imposed restrictions in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB) Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) Topic 958, Not-For-Profit Entities. Under FASB ASC Topic 958 and FASB ASC Topic 954, Health Care Entities, all not-for-profit healthcare organizations are required to provide a balance sheet, a statement of operations, a statement of changes in net assets, and a statement of cash flows. FASB ASC Topic 954 requires reporting amounts for an organization's total assets, liabilities, and net assets in a balance sheet; reporting the change in an organization's net assets in statements of operations and changes in net assets; and reporting the change in its cash and cash equivalents in a statement of cash flows.

Net assets without donor restrictions: Net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed restrictions and may be expended for any purpose in performing the primary objectives of the Association. These net assets may be used at the discretion of the Association's management and the board of directors (board).

Net assets with donor restrictions: Net assets subject to stipulations imposed by donors and grantors. Some donor restrictions are temporary in nature; those restrictions are to be met by actions of the Association or by the passage of time. Other donor restrictions are perpetual in nature, whereby the donor has stipulated the funds be maintained in perpetuity.

Donor restricted contributions are reported as increases in net assets with donor restrictions. When a restriction expires, net assets are reclassified from net assets with donor restrictions to net assets without donor restrictions in the statements of operations and changes in net assets.

Income Taxes

The Association is a not-for-profit corporation as described in under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (IRC). As a public charity, the Association is exempt from state and federal income taxes on income earned in accordance with its tax-exempt purpose. Unrelated business income is subject to state and federal income tax. Management has evaluated the Association's tax positions and concluded that the Association has no unrelated business income or uncertain tax positions that require adjustment to the financial statements.

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Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles 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. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include highly liquid investments with an original maturity of three months or less, excluding assets limited as to use.

The Association has cash deposits in a major financial institution which may exceed federal depository insurance limits. The Association has not experienced any losses in such accounts. Management believes it is not exposed to any significant risk with respect to these accounts.

Patient Accounts Receivable

Accounts receivable are stated at the amount management expects to collect from outstanding balances. Management provides a reserve for payment adjustments by analyzing past history and identification of trends for all funding sources in the aggregate. Management regularly reviews data about revenue in evaluating the sufficiency of the reserve, which is netted against accounts receivable. Amounts not collected after all reasonable collection efforts have been exhausted are applied against the allowance for payment adjustments.

Patient accounts receivable amounted to \$518,378, \$326,819, and \$407,086 as of June 30, 2021, 2020, and 2019, respectively.

Assets Limited As To Use

The Association reports investments at fair value and has elected to report all gains and losses in the excess of revenue over expenses to simplify the presentation of these accounts in the statement of operations, unless otherwise stipulated by the donor or State law.

Investments, in general, are exposed to various risks, such as interest rate, credit, and overall market volatility. As such, it is reasonably possible that changes in the values of investments will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the amounts reported in the balance sheets.

Assets limited as to use consist of assets designated by the board for long-term growth.

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Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are carried at cost less accumulated depreciation. Maintenance, repairs and minor renewals are expensed as incurred and renewals and betterments are capitalized. Provision for depreciation is computed using the straight-line method over the useful lives of the related assets.

Net Patient Service Revenue

Services to all patients are recorded as revenue when services are rendered at the estimated net realizable amounts from patients, third-party payors and others, including estimated retroactive adjustments under reimbursement agreements with third-party payors. Retroactive adjustments are accrued on an estimated basis in the period the related services are rendered and in future periods as final settlements are determined. Patients unable to pay full charge, who do not have other third-party resources, are charged a reduced amount based on the Association's published sliding fee scale. Reductions in full charge are recognized when the service is rendered.

Performance obligations are determined based on the nature of the services provided by the Association. Revenue for performance obligations satisfied over time is recognized based on actual services rendered. Generally, performance obligations satisfied over time relate to patients receiving skilled and non-skilled services in their home or facility. The Association measures the period over which the performance obligation is satisfied from admission to the point when it is no longer required to provide services to that patient, which is generally at the time of discharge.

Providers of home health services to clients eligible for Medicare home health benefits are paid on a prospective basis, with no retrospective settlement. The prospective payment is based on the scoring attributed to the acuity level of the client at a rate determined by federal guidelines. As the performance obligations for home health services are met, revenue is recognized based upon the portion of the transaction price allocated to the performance obligation. The transaction price is the prospective payment determined for the medically necessary services.

Providers of hospice services to clients eligible for Medicare hospice benefits are paid on a perdiem basis, with no retrospective settlement, provided the Association's aggregate annual Medicare reimbursement is below a predetermined aggregate capitated rate. Revenue is recognized as the services are performed based on the fixed rate amount. As the performance obligations for hospice services are met, revenue is recognized based upon the portion of the transaction price allocated to the performance obligation. The transaction price is the predetermined aggregate capitated rate per day.

Because all of the Association's performance obligations relate to short-term periods of care, the Association has elected to apply the optional exemption provided in FASB ASC Subtopic 606-10-50-14(a) and, therefore, is not required to disclose the aggregate amount of the transaction price allocated to performance obligations that are unsatisfied or partially unsatisfied at the end of the reporting period.

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Contributions

Unconditional promises to give cash and other assets are reported at fair value at the date the promise is received, which is then treated as cost. The gifts are reported as net assets with donor restrictions if they are received with donor stipulations that limit the use of the donated assets. When a donor restriction expires, that is, when a stipulated time restriction ends or purpose restriction is accomplished, net assets with donor restrictions are reclassified as net assets without donor restrictions and reported in the statement of operations and changes in net assets as net assets released from restrictions. Donor-restricted contributions whose restrictions are met in the same year as received are reflected as contributions without donor restrictions in the accompanying financial statements.

COVID-19

On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) a global pandemic. In response to the global pandemic, The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services implemented certain relief measures and also issued guidance for limiting the spread of COVID-19.

Local, U.S., and world governments encouraged self-isolation to curtail the spread of COVID-19, by mandating the temporary shut-down of business in many sectors and imposing limitations on travel and the size and duration of group meetings. Many sectors are experiencing disruption to business operations and may feel further impacts related to delayed government reimbursement, volatility in investment returns, and reduced philanthropic support. There is unprecedented uncertainty surrounding the duration of the pandemic, its potential economic ramifications, and any government actions to mitigate them.

The U.S. government has responded with several phases of relief legislation as a response to the COVID-19 outbreak. Legislation enacted into law on March 27, 2020, called the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act), a statute to address the economic impact of the COVID-19 outbreak. The CARES Act, among other things, 1) authorizes emergency loans to distressed businesses by establishing, and providing funding for, forgivable bridge loans; 2) provides additional funding for grants and technical assistance' 3) delays due dates for employer payroll taxes and estimated tax payments for corporations; and 4) revises provisions of the IRC. including those related to losses, charitable deductions, and business interest. The Association received emergency grant funding under the CARES Act during the year ended June 30, 2020, totaling \$136,384 to offset the impact of COVID-19. Management believes the Association met the conditions necessary to recognize these contributions during the year ended June 30, 2021, based on its understanding of the requirements related to lost revenues and COVID-related expenses. The Association also received \$63,750 and \$39,000 of CARES Act money passed through the State of New Hampshire for hazard pay during the years ended June 30, 2021, and June 30, 2020, respectively. These funds are recognized as CARES Act and other operating revenue in the financial statements. Management believes the position taken is a reasonable interpretation of the rules, subject to any further clarification.

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On April 17, 2020, the Association received a loan from the U.S. Small Business Association (SBA) under the CARES Act Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) in the amount of \$385,805. The loan is to be used for payroll and other allowable costs authorized in the PPP rules, and forgiveness of the loan balance is dependent upon compliance with this and other terms and conditions of the CARES Act. Funds used for unauthorized purposes are required to be repaid. The Association incurred sufficient qualifying expenses as of June 30, 2021 to meet the conditions for forgiveness and the loan was forgiven on January 5, 2021. Therefore, the refundable advance is recognized as CARES Act and other operating revenue in the 2021 financial statements. Due to the complexity of the reporting requirements, there is a possibility that the SBA may perform further scrutiny over the forgiveness application in the future. Management believes the position taken is a reasonable interpretation of the rules, subject to any further clarification.

2. Availability and Liquidity of Financial Assets

As of June 30, 2021, the Association has working capital of \$1,966,256 and average days (based on normal expenditures) cash and liquid investments on hand of 174 which includes only cash and cash equivalents, as all investments are board designated for investment.

Financial assets and liquidity resources available within one year for general expenditure, such as operating expenses and capital acquisitions not financed with debt or restricted funds (unfunded capital expenditures), were as follows:

| | <u>2021</u> | <u>2020</u> |
|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Cash and cash equivalents Patient accounts receivable, net Grant receivable | \$ 1,631,610 518,378 <u>33,518</u> | \$ 1,466,892 326,819 44,180 |
| Financial assets available to meet cash needs for general expenditures | \$ <u>2,183,506</u> | \$ <u>1,837,891</u> |

The Association manages its cash available to meet general expenditures following three guiding principles:

- Operating within a prudent range of financial soundness and stability;
- Maintaining adequate liquid assets; and
- Maintaining sufficient reserves to provide reasonable assurance that long-term commitments will continue to be met, ensuring the sustainability of the Association.

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3. Assets Limited As To Use

Assets limited as to use, stated at fair value, are as follows:

| | <u>2021</u> | <u>2020</u> |
|--|--|-------------------------------------|
| Cash and cash equivalents Equity securities Mutual funds | \$ 39,472 1,351,264 <u>2,080,232</u> | \$ 39,792 1,066,416 1,708,068 |
| Total assets limited as to use | \$ <u>3,470,968</u> | \$ <u>2,814,276</u> |

Fair Value Measurement

FASB ASC Topic 820, Fair Value Measurement, defines fair value as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability (an exit price) in an orderly transaction between market participants and also establishes a fair value hierarchy which requires an entity to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs when measuring fair value. The fair value hierarchy within ASC Topic 820 distinguishes three levels of inputs that may be utilized when measuring fair value:

- Level 1: Quoted prices (unadjusted) for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the entity has the ability to access as of the measurement date.
- Level 2: Significant observable inputs other than Level 1 prices, such as quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities, quoted prices in markets that are not active, and other inputs that are observable or can be corroborated by observable market data.
- Level 3: Significant unobservable inputs that reflect an entity's own assumptions about the assumptions that market participants would use in pricing an asset or liability.

The fair value of all the Association's investments is measured on a recurring basis using Level 1 inputs.

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4. Property and Equipment

Property and equipment consists of the following:

| | | <u>2021</u> | | <u>2020</u> |
|---|------------|--------------------|-----|--------------------|
| Furniture and equipment Leasehold improvements | \$ | 372,455 155,877 | \$_ | 362,467 155,877 |
| Total cost Less accumulated depreciation | _ | 528,332 491,969 | _ | 518,344 468,270 |
| Property and equipment, net | \$ <u></u> | 36,363 | \$_ | 50,074 |

5. Net Patient Service Revenue

Net patient service revenue is as follows:

| | <u>2021</u> | <u>2020</u> |
|--|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Medicare Medicaid Other third-party payers and private pay | \$ 2,032,730 287,738 | \$ 1,963,306 284,607 579,380 |
| Total | \$ <u>3,229,646</u> | \$ <u>2,827,293</u> |

Laws and regulations governing the Medicare and Medicaid programs are complex and subject to interpretation. Compliance with such laws and regulations can be subject to future government review and interpretation as well as significant regulatory action including fines, penalties and exclusion from the Medicare and Medicaid programs. The Association believes that it is in substantial compliance with all applicable laws and regulations. However, there is at least a reasonable possibility that recorded estimates could change by a material amount in the near term. Differences between amounts previously estimated and amounts subsequently determined to be recoverable or payable are included in net patient service revenue in the year that such amounts become known.

The Association provides care to patients who meet certain criteria under its charity care policy without charge or at amounts less than its established rates. Because the Association does not pursue collection of amounts determined to qualify as charity care, they are not reported as revenue. The cost to provide such services is not considered material to the financial statements.

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In assessing collectability, the Association has elected the portfolio approach. This portfolio approach is being used as the Association has similar contracts with similar classes of patients. The Association reasonably expects that the effect of applying a portfolio approach to a group of contracts would not differ materially from considering each contract separately. Management's judgment to group the contracts by portfolio is based on the payment behavior expected in each portfolio category. As a result, management believes aggregating contracts (which are at the patient level) by the particular payor or group of payors results in the recognition of revenue approximating that which would result from applying the analysis at the individual patient level.

6. Functional Expenses

The Association provides various services to residents within its geographic location. Expenses related to providing these services are as follows:

| | <u>2021</u> | <u>2020</u> |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|
| Program services | | |
| Salaries and benefits | \$ 2,082,805 | \$ 1,840,885 |
| Other operating expenses | 00.400 | 00.055 |
| Program supplies Contract services | 60,492 | 60,655 |
| | 143,032 137,717 | 134,309 101,173 |
| Transportation Software maintenance | 62,861 | 55,978 |
| Other | 251,601 | 213,323 |
| Depreciation | <u> 19,518</u> | 20,854 |
| • | | · |
| Total program services | 2,758,026 | 2,427,177 |
| Administrative and general | | |
| Administrative and general Salaries and benefits | 446,093 | 560,151 |
| Other operating expenses | 440,033 | 300, 131 |
| Contract services | 169,944 | 166,629 |
| Transportation | 4,319 | 5,932 |
| Software maintenance | 13,464 | 16,598 |
| Other | 53,888 | 63,253 |
| Depreciation | <u>4,181</u> | 6,183 |
| Total administrative and general | 691,889 | 818,746 |
| Total | \$ <u>3,449,915</u> | \$ <u>3,245,923</u> |

The Association uses Medicare cost reporting methodology for allocation of expenses between program services and administrative and general.

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7. Commitments and Contingencies

<u>Leases</u>

Leases that do not meet the criteria for capitalization are classified as operating leases with related rental charges to operations as incurred.

The following is a schedule, by fiscal year, of future minimum lease payments under operating leases for office facilities that have initial or remaining lease terms in excess of one year:

| 2022 | | \$ 47,836 |
|------|-------|--------------|
| 2023 | | 4,973 |
| | Total | \$ 52,809 |

Rental expense amounted to \$47,840 in 2021 and \$47,958 in 2020.

Malpractice Insurance

The Association insures its medical malpractice risks on a claims-made basis. There were no known malpractice claims outstanding at June 30, 2021 and 2020, which, in the opinion of management, will be settled for amounts in excess of insurance coverage, nor are there any unasserted claims or incidents which require loss accrual. The Association intends to renew coverage on a claims-made basis and anticipates that such coverage will be available in future periods.

8. Net Assets

Net assets without donor restrictions are fully available to support operations of the Association. Net assets with donor restrictions were as follows:

| | <u>2021</u> | | <u>2020</u> |
|--|--------------|-----|-------------|
| Specific purpose | | | |
| Hospice pet care | \$ 4,665 | \$ | 4,665 |
| Advanced care planning | 1,000 | | 3,500 |
| Crossings program | 5,425 | | 10,382 |
| Palliative program | 13,529 | | - |
| Simple comforts | 8,129 | _ | |
| Total net assets with donor restrictions | \$ 32,748 | \$_ | 18,547 |

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9. Concentration of Risk

The Association grants credit without collateral to its patients, most of whom are local residents and are insured under third-party payer agreements. Following is a summary of accounts receivable, by funding source:

| | <u>2021</u> | <u>2020</u> |
|-------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Medicare Medicaid Other | 64 % 4 <u>32</u> | 63 % 5 <u>32</u> |
| Total | <u> 100</u> % | <u>100</u> % |

10. Subsequent Events

For financial reporting purposes, subsequent events have been evaluated by management through November 2, 2021, which is the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

(f/k/a as Visiting Nurse & Hospice Care Services of Northern Carroll County)

AMENDED AND RESTATED BYLAWS

ARTICLE I NAME; LOCATION

SECTION 1. Name. The name of the corporation is Visiting Nurse Home Care & Hospice of Carroll County (hereinafter referred to as the "Corporation"). In addition, the Corporation may maintain and use the following trade names (and any other trade names as the Board of Directors deems appropriate from time to time) for so long as it deems it prudent, desirable or appropriate to do so in the course of conducting its business: "Visiting Nurse & Hospice Care Services of Northern Carroll County" and "Carroll County Health and Home Care Services".

SECTION 2. Location. The principal place of business of the Corporation shall be located in North Conway, New Hampshire or any other place within the State of New Hampshire as the Board of Directors may time designate from time to time. The Corporation may also have a place or places of business or an office or offices at such other place or places, within or without the State of New Hampshire, as the Board of Directors may from time to time designate and the business of the Corporation requires.

ARTICLE II MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. Members. Memorial Development Foundation, Inc. ("Memorial Development Foundation") shall be the sole member of the Corporation.

SECTION 2. Annual Meeting. The annual meeting of the Corporation shall be held in North Conway, New Hampshire between November 1 and December 31 of each year, or at such other time on such other day and at such time and place as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors, for the purpose of electing Directors and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting. If the election of Directors shall not be held on the day designated herein for any annual meeting of the member(s), or at any subsequent continuation after adjournment thereof, the election shall be held at a special meeting of the member(s) as soon thereafter as convenient or as provided in Section 6 of this Article.

SECTION 3. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Corporation may be called by the President of the Board of Directors at any time and for any purpose(s) described in the meeting notice and shall be called by the President upon the written request of any three (3) Directors or any member entitled to vote, any such meeting to be held within thirty (30) days of the President's receipt of the request therefore. A member may waive notice of any

meeting either (i) in writing (which shall be filed with the minutes) or (ii) by attending any meeting unless the member objects at the beginning of the meeting to holding the meeting or transacting business at the meeting.

SECTION 4. Notice. Notice of any annual or special meetings shall be in writing and given to the member(s) at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting. Notices may be given in person, by telegram or other form of wire or wireless communication, or by mail or private carrier. Notice of a special meeting shall set forth the matters to be acted upon and only matters so set forth shall be acted upon at the meeting.

SECTION 5. Quorum; Proxies. One duly authorized representative of Memorial Development Foundation, the sole member, shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Corporation or at any adjournment thereof. The member may vote in person by its duly authorized representative or by its Board of Directors, or may vote by proxy executed in writing by a duly authorized representative.

SECTION 6. Member Action Without a Meeting. Any action required or permitted to be taken by the member of the Corporation at a meeting may be taken without a meeting if a written consent describing the action taken is signed by the duly authorized representative of the Memorial Development Foundation (after vote or consent of the Board of Directors of Memorial Development Foundation) and filed with the Corporation's records. Such signed consent has the effect of a meeting vote and may be described as such in any document.

ARTICLE III DIRECTORS

SECTION 1. Powers. The Corporation shall be governed and its operation shall be directed by its Board of Directors which shall have charge, control and management of the affairs, properties and funds of the Corporation and which shall have the power and authority to do and perform all acts and functions not inconsistent with the law or these Bylaws, or with any action taken at any meeting of the Board of Directors of the Corporation and currently in effect.

SECTION 2. Number and Qualification. The Board of Directors shall be composed of not less than five (5) nor more than twelve (12) persons, as determined (or amended from time to time) by resolution of either the member or the Board of Directors, such persons to be qualified and elected as herein provided. Each Director shall be a voting Director, including the President of the Memorial Development Foundation who shall serve as a member of the Board of Directors ex-officio. No person may be elected to serve as a Director of the Corporation unless nominated by the Board of Directors or its duly authorized Nominating Committee. Directors may serve multiple, consecutive terms. At least five (5) of the Directors shall not be of the same immediate family or related by blood or marriage absent the approval of the director of the NH Division of Charitable Trusts.

SECTION 3. Election and Tenure. Each Director shall be qualified and elected by

Memorial Development Foundation as set forth in Article II, Section 2, and shall hold office for a term of three (3) years or until his/her successor is qualified and elected. The terms of the Directors shall be arranged so that, as nearly as possible, one-third (1/3) of the total number of Directors shall be elected at each annual meeting of the Corporation.

<u>SECTION 4.</u> Regular Meetings. The Board of Directors may provide by resolution the time and place, either within or without the State of New Hampshire, for the holding of regular meetings without other notice than such resolution.

SECTION 5. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Board of Directors may be called by or at the request of the President or a majority of directors. The person or persons authorized to call special meetings of the Board of Directors may fix any place within the State of New Hampshire as the place for holding any such special meeting of the Board of Directors, provided, however, that a special Directors' meeting called expressly for the purpose of removal of one (1) or more directors shall be held at the principal business office of the Corporation in the State of New Hampshire, or in the County in New Hampshire in which the principal business office of the Corporation is located.

SECTION 6. Notice of Meetings. Notice of the time and place of any meeting shall be given at least four (4) days prior thereto by written notice delivered personally or mailed to directors at the their business address, or by telegram or other form or wire or wireless communication. If mailed, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered five (5) days after it is deposited with postage prepaid in the United States mail. If notice is given by telegram, such notice shall be deemed to be delivered when the telegram is delivered to the telegram company. Any Director may waive notice of any meeting in writing filed with the minutes of the meeting. In addition, the attendance of a Director at or participation in a meeting shall constitute a waiver of notice for such a meeting, except where a Director at the beginning of a meeting or promptly upon his/her arrival objects to holding the meeting or to the transaction of any business at the meeting and does not thereafter vote for or assent to action taken at the meeting. Except as otherwise required, neither the business to be transacted at nor the purpose of any meeting of the Board of Directors need be specified in the notice or waiver of notice of such meeting. A meeting of the Board of Directors may be held at any time without notice, if all of the Directors are present, or if those not present waive notice of the meeting in writing and such waiver is filed with the minutes of the meeting.

SECTION 7. Quorum; Manner of Acting; Proxies. A majority of members of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Board of Directors, provided, however, that if less than a quorum of the Directors are present at said meeting, a majority of the Directors present may adjourn the meeting from time to time without notice other than an announcement at the meeting, until the requisite number of Directors shall be present. A Director may participate in a meeting by any means of communication by which all Directors participating may simultaneously hear each other during the meeting and is deemed to be present in person at the meeting when participating in this manner. The action of a majority of the Directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the action of the Board of Directors. Each Director shall be entitled to one (1) vote on matters before the

Board. No voting by proxy shall be permitted at any meeting of the Directors.

SECTION 8. Director Action Without a Meeting. Unless the Articles of Agreement provide otherwise, any action required or permitted to be taken by the Board of Directors at a meeting may be taken without a meeting if the action is taken by unanimous written consent of the Board of Directors as evidenced by one (1) or more written consents describing the action taken, signed by each Director and filed with the minutes or records of the Corporation. Action taken by consent is effective when the last Director signs the consent, unless the consent specifies a different effective date. A signed consent has the effect of a meeting vote and may be described as such in any document.

SECTION 9. Vacancies. A vacancy shall be deemed to exist in the Board of Directors when a Director (a) fails to accept the office within fifteen (15) days after notice thereof; (b) is removed; (c) dies; or (d) resigns. Any Director who is absent without excuse from three (3) regular meetings of the Board during one (1) year may be deemed by the Board to have resigned from the Board. The Board shall, by resolution, define those absences to be deemed unexcused. In the event of any vacancy on the Board of Directors, the remaining Directors shall, by a majority vote, appoint a new Director to fill such vacancy from a list of individuals approved by the Board of Directors of Memorial Development Foundation and said appointee shall hold office for the unexpired term of such predecessor in office and until such Director's successor shall have been elected and qualified. In the absence of such a list, the Board of Directors shall appoint a new Director to fill such vacancy for the unexpired term of the predecessor in office, subject to veto by Memorial Development Foundation at its next meeting. If so vetoed, such new Director shall be deemed to have resigned effective as of the date of the veto and a new Director must be appointed to fill the vacancy.

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The Board of Directors may provide for a corporate seal which may have inscribed thereon the name of the Corporation and the year of its organization, and may be in such form and contain such other words and/or figures as the Board of Directors shall determine. The corporate seal may be used by printing, engraving, lithographing, stamping or otherwise making, placing or affixing, or causing to be printed, engraved, lithographed, stamped or otherwise made, placed or affixed, upon any paper or document, by any process whatsoever, an impression, facsimile, or other reproduction of said corporate seal.

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To the extent legally permissible, the Corporation shall indemnify each person who may serve or who has served at any time as a director, officer or employee of the Corporation, against all expenses and liabilities, including, without limitation, counsel fees, judgments, fines, excise taxes, penalties and settlement payments, actually, necessarily and reasonably incurred by or imposed upon such officer, director or employee in connection with any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, in which such officer, director or employee is made a party or becomes involved by reason of the fact that he or she serves or served in such capacity as director, officer or employee (other than a proceeding voluntarily initiated by such officer, director or employee), provided that no indemnification shall be provided for any officer, director or employee with respect to any matter as to which the officer, director or employee shall have been adjudicated not to have acted in good faith in the reasonable belief that such officer's or director's or employee's action was in the best interests of the Corporation, nor for (1) any breach of the director's or officer's duty of loyalty to the corporation or its member(s), (2) acts or omissions which are not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law; or (3) any transaction from which the director, officer or employee derived an improper personal gain. Any compromise or settlement payment must be approved pursuant to the procedures under New Hampshire RSA 293-A:8.55 as it may be amended from time to time.

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The indemnification provided hereunder shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors and administrators of any officer, director or employee entitled to indemnification hereunder.

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No amendment or repeal of the provisions of this Article which adversely affects the

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ARTICLE X AMENDMENTS

These Bylaws, once adopted, may be altered, amended or repealed and new bylaws adopted at any time, if so voted by a majority of the full Board of Directors at any meeting of the Board of Directors, provided that the substance of any proposed change must be stated in the notice of the meeting in which such action is to be taken, subject to repeal or change by the Memorial Development Foundation. Any such new or amended Bylaws shall not be inconsistent with the Articles of Agreement of the Corporation.

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No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, directors, officers or other private persons, except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in its Articles of Agreement. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of (or in opposition to) any candidate for public office. Nothing herein shall preclude the Corporation from expressing its views with respect to legislation which may affect its operation, assets, or finances, subject to federal and state laws without violating the foregoing or any state laws. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Bylaws, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a)

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I certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Amended and Restated Bylaws of Visiting Nurse Home Care & Hospice of Carroll County as adopted by the Board of Directors thereof on June 14, 2011 and approved by Memorial Development Foundation on December 14, 2011.

Secretary
Visiting Nurse Home Care &
Hospice of Carroll County

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(f/k/a as Visiting Nurse & Hospice Care Services of Northern Carroll County)

AMENDED AND RESTATED BYLAWS

ARTICLE I NAME; LOCATION

SECTION 1. Name. The name of the corporation is Visiting Nurse Home Care & Hospice of Carroll County (hereinafter referred to as the "Corporation"). In addition, the Corporation may maintain and use the following trade names (and any other trade names as the Board of Directors deems appropriate from time to time) for so long as it deems it prudent, desirable or appropriate to do so in the course of conducting its business: "Visiting Nurse & Hospice Care Services of Northern Carroll County" and "Carroll County Health and Home Care Services".

SECTION 2. Location. The principal place of business of the Corporation shall be located in North Conway, New Hampshire or any other place within the State of New Hampshire as the Board of Directors may time designate from time to time. The Corporation may also have a place or places of business or an office or offices at such other place or places, within or without the State of New Hampshire, as the Board of Directors may from time to time designate and the business of the Corporation requires.

ARTICLE II MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. Members. Memorial Development Foundation, Inc. ("Memorial Development Foundation") shall be the sole member of the Corporation.

SECTION 2. Annual Meeting. The annual meeting of the Corporation shall be held in North Conway, New Hampshire between November 1 and December 31 of each year, or at such other time on such other day and at such time and place as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors, for the purpose of electing Directors and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting. If the election of Directors shall not be held on the day designated herein for any annual meeting of the member(s), or at any subsequent continuation after adjournment thereof, the election shall be held at a special meeting of the member(s) as soon thereafter as convenient or as provided in Section 6 of this Article.

SECTION 3. Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Corporation may be called by the President of the Board of Directors at any time and for any purpose(s) described in the meeting notice and shall be called by the President upon the written request of any three (3) Directors or any member entitled to vote, any such meeting to be held within thirty (30) days of the President's receipt of the request therefore. A member may waive notice of any

meeting either (i) in writing (which shall be filed with the minutes) or (ii) by attending any meeting unless the member objects at the beginning of the meeting to holding the meeting or transacting business at the meeting.

SECTION 4. Notice. Notice of any annual or special meetings shall be in writing and given to the member(s) at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting. Notices may be given in person, by telegram or other form of wire or wireless communication, or by mail or private carrier. Notice of a special meeting shall set forth the matters to be acted upon and only matters so set forth shall be acted upon at the meeting.

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ARTICLE VI FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of the Corporation shall begin on the first day of July in each year, and shall end on the 30th day of June next following, unless otherwise determined by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VII CORPORATE SEAL

The Board of Directors may provide for a corporate seal which may have inscribed thereon the name of the Corporation and the year of its organization, and may be in such form and contain such other words and/or figures as the Board of Directors shall determine. The corporate seal may be used by printing, engraving, lithographing, stamping or otherwise making, placing or affixing, or causing to be printed, engraved, lithographed, stamped or otherwise made, placed or affixed, upon any paper or document, by any process whatsoever, an impression, facsimile, or other reproduction of said corporate seal.

ARTICLE VIII INDEMNIFICATION

To the extent legally permissible, the Corporation shall indemnify each person who may serve or who has served at any time as a director, officer or employee of the Corporation, against all expenses and liabilities, including, without limitation, counsel fees, judgments, fines, excise taxes, penalties and settlement payments, actually, necessarily and reasonably incurred by or imposed upon such officer, director or employee in connection with any threatened, pending or completed action, suit or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, in which such officer, director or employee is made a party or becomes involved by reason of the fact that he or she serves or served in such capacity as director, officer or employee (other than a proceeding voluntarily initiated by such officer, director or employee), provided that no indemnification shall be provided for any officer, director or employee with respect to any matter as to which the officer, director or employee shall have been adjudicated not to have acted in good faith in the reasonable belief that such officer's or director's or employee's action was in the best interests of the Corporation, nor for (1) any breach of the director's or officer's duty of loyalty to the corporation or its member(s), (2) acts or omissions which are not in good faith or which involve intentional misconduct or a knowing violation of law; or (3) any transaction from which the director, officer or employee derived an improper personal gain. Any compromise or settlement payment must be approved pursuant to the procedures under New Hampshire RSA 293-A:8.55 as it may be amended from time to time.

Such indemnification may, to the extent authorized by the Board, include payment by the Corporation of expenses incurred in defending a civil or criminal action or proceeding in advance of the final disposition of such action or proceeding.

The indemnification provided hereunder shall inure to the benefit of the heirs, executors and administrators of any officer, director or employee entitled to indemnification hereunder.

The right to indemnification under this Article shall be in addition to and not exclusive of all other rights to which any person may entitled. Nothing contained in this Article shall affect any rights to indemnification to which Corporation directors, officers or employees may be entitled by contract or otherwise under law.

No amendment or repeal of the provisions of this Article which adversely affects the

rights of an officer, director or employee under this Article shall apply with respect to such officer's or director's or employee's acts or omissions that occurred at any time prior to such amendment or repeal, unless such amendment or repeal was voted for by or was made with the written consent of such officer, director or employee.

ARTICLE IX CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Every Director, officer and committee member shall disclose to the Board of Directors any such conflict of interest or possible conflict of interest with regard to any issue and such possible conflict and disclosure shall be documented. No Director, officer or committee member shall vote on any issue, motion, or resolution which directly or indirectly inures to such individual's benefit financially or in which such Director, officer or committee member has a conflict of interest and no such person may be counted in determining that a quorum exists. The Board shall authorize the Corporation to enter into transactions only in accordance with the provisions of NH RSA 7:19-a and all other applicable federal or state laws or regulations, as they may exist from time to time. The Directors and Board of Directors shall also act in accordance with any Conflict of Interest policy of the Corporation.

ARTICLE X AMENDMENTS

These Bylaws, once adopted, may be altered, amended or repealed and new bylaws adopted at any time, if so voted by a majority of the full Board of Directors at any meeting of the Board of Directors, provided that the substance of any proposed change must be stated in the notice of the meeting in which such action is to be taken, subject to repeal or change by the Memorial Development Foundation. Any such new or amended Bylaws shall not be inconsistent with the Articles of Agreement of the Corporation.

ARTICLE XI CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, directors, officers or other private persons, except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in its Articles of Agreement. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of (or in opposition to) any candidate for public office. Nothing herein shall preclude the Corporation from expressing its views with respect to legislation which may affect its operation, assets, or finances, subject to federal and state laws without violating the foregoing or any state laws. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Bylaws, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a)

by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future federal tax law), or (b) by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future federal tax law).

I certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the Amended and Restated Bylaws of Visiting Nurse Home Care & Hospice of Carroll County as adopted by the Board of Directors thereof on June 14, 2011 and approved by Memorial Development Foundation on December 14, 2011.

Secretary
Visiting Nurse Home Care &
Hospice of Carroll County

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WILLIAM M. GARDNER WEW HAMPSHIRE

ARTICLES OF MERGER

Pursuant to the provisions of RSA 292:7, the Undersigned nonprofit corporations have adopted the following articles of merger for the purpose of merging them into Visiting Nurse Services of Northern Carroll County:

- the and of each of County 1. The attached plan of merger was approved by undersigned corporations: Hospice of Northern Carroll Visiting Nurse Services of Northern Carroll County.
- the plan of 2. As to each of the undersigned corporations, merger was adopted in the following manner:
 - (a) The plan of merger was adopted by Hospice of Northern Carroll County at a meeting of the board of directors held on MARCH 25, 1994, and received the vote of a majority of the directors in office, there being no members having voting rights in respect thereof.
- ٥ţ o£ board vote members (b) The plan of merger was adopted by Visiting Nurse Services of Northern Carroll County at a meeting of the bodirectors held on April 5, 1994, and received the voluminajority of the directors in office, there being no member having voting rights in respect thereof.
- compliance and 3. The manner of the adoption of the plan of merger the vote by which it was adopted constitute full legal compwith the provisions of RSA 282:7 and with the articles of agreement of the undersigned corporations.
- Office the the date with the 4. The effective date of the merger is the copy of the adopting vote is recorded of the Secretary of State.

Dated: 3-35-94

County Carroll of Northern Hospice

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Dated: 45/94

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President

Visiting Nurse Services Northern Carroll County

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Post Office Box 1880, GPQ Brooklyn, NY 11202

Date: OCT 03 1990

Visiting Nursing Services of Northern Carroll County, Inc. P.O. Box 432 North Conway, NH 03860 Date of Examption:
June, 1974
Internal Revenue Code Section:
501(c)(3)
Person to Contact:
C. Gauthier
Contact Telephone Number:
(617) 565-7776

Gentlemen:

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Thank you for submitting the information shown below. We have made it a part of your file.

The changes indicated do not adversely affect your exempt status and the exemption letter issued to you continues in effect.

Rlease let us know about any further change in the character, purpose, method of operation, name or address of your organization. This is a requirement for retaining your exempt status.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

District Director

Item Changed: Amended Articles of Incorporation dated November 21, 1986

Letter 976(DO)(7-77)

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Internal Revenue Service

Department - the Treasury

District Director JEK Federal Bidg., Boston, Mass. 02203

P.O. Box 9088

Telephone Number:

Person to Contact: P. McLaughlin

VISITING NURSE SERVICES OF NORTHERN CARROLL COUNTY INC. Hemorial Hospital

North Conway, N.H. 03860 .

(617) 223-3470

Refer Reply to:

Taxpayer Service

Date: 1/20/82

Dear Sir or Madam:

This is in reply to your recent letter requesting a copy of an exemption letter for the above-named organization.

| TIT Records in this off | ice show that a determination | letter was issued |
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| in June. 1974 | ruling that the organization Section (now) 501[0][3] | was exempt from |
| federal income tax under | Section (now) 501[4][3] | of the Internal |
| Revenue Code of 1954. | | • |

| Records in this office show | that the organization is exempt under | r |
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| Section (now) of | the Internal Revenue Code as part of | ė |
| group ruling issued to | | |
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Further, the organization is not a private foundation because it is an organization described under Section 509[a][2]

Further, the organization is a private foundation as described in Section 509(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954.

This ruling remains in effect as long as there are no changes in the character, purposes or method of operation of the organization.

I trust the foregoing information will serve your purpose.

If you have any questions, you may contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown in the heading of this letter.

HERRIAT B. MOSHER District Director

Ntate of New Hampshire Bepartment of State

The undersigned, as Deputy Secretary of State of the State of New Hampshire, hereby certifies that the attached Affidavit of Amendment to the Articles of Agreement of VISITING NURSE SERVICES OF NORTHERN CARROLL COUNTY, now VISITING NURSE AND HOSPICE CARE SERVICES OF NORTHERN CARROLL COUNTY, a New Hampshire nonprofit corporation, has been filed in this office.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereto set my hand and cause to be affixed the Seal of the State of New Hampshire this 2nd day of May, 1994.

Robert P. Ambrose Deputy Secretary of State

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