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Honorable Andrew Joyce, Chairman Albany County Legislature 112 State Street, Room 710 Albany, New York 12207

Dear Chairman Joyce:

Albany County Department of Health (ACDOH) has been notified of an additional \$975,815 in grant funding for COVID-19 response activities for the period of 7/1/20 - 3/31/2023. The funding is to be used to increase health department staff in order to provide rapid and complete case investigations and also supports our community vaccination efforts. ACDOH is requesting approval to accept this additional funding, amend the 2021 health department budget by \$130,000 and extend the contract to March 31, 2023. This funding will cover staff overtime, continue to fund the positons created under this grant, and fund per diem registered nurses for vaccination clinics.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth F. Whalen, MD, MPH Commissioner of Health

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cc: Hon. Dennis Feeney, Majority Leader Hon. Frank A. Mauriello, Minority Leader Rebekah Kennedy, Majority Counsel Minority Counsel

**Enclosures** 



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