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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) requests permission to contract with the NYS Department of Health for the Rabies Grant Program. The grant award is \$49,072, each year for three years beginning April 1, 2022 and ending March 31, 2025 for a total of \$147,216. This continued funding was expected and budgeted in the 2022 Health budget; it will cover reimbursement for the costs of mandatory human rabies treatment, preparation and shipment of animal specimens, pet vaccination clinics, and education and prevention activities.

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

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



Albany County Department of Health is nationally accredited and meets rigorous public health standards set forth to best meet the needs of our community.