

## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE BY HIS EXCELLENCY CHRISTOPHER T. SUNUNU, GOVERNOR

Emergency Order #55 Pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04 as Extended by Executive Orders 2020-05, 2020-08, 2020-09 and 2020-10

## **Extension of COVID-19 Long Term Care Stabilization Program**

WHEREAS, on April 16, 2020, the Governor issued Emergency Order #31, which established the COVID-19 Long Term Care Stabilization Program (the "Program"); and

WHEREAS, on May 18, 2020, the Governor issued Emergency Order #45, which made certain modifications to the Program; and

WHEREAS, Medicaid providers that provide long term services in facility-based settings as well as in the home and community continue to have a large number of employees who are seeking unemployment compensation as a result of COVID-19, threatening critical staffing levels needed to provide continuity of long term supports and services to individuals in those programs;

WHEREAS, the enhanced unemployment benefits provided by the CARES Act are scheduled to continue until July 31, 2020, which necessitates an extension of the Program until that time.

Now therefore, pursuant to Section 18 of Executive Order 2020-04 as extended by Executive Orders 2020-05, 2020-08, 2020-09, and 2020-10, it is hereby ordered, effective immediately, that:

1. The COVID-19 Long Term Care Stabilization Program, as established in Emergency Order #31 and modified in Emergency Order #45, is hereby extended to July 31, 2020.

Given under my hand and seal at the Executive Chambers in Concord, this 25th day of June, in the year of Our Lord, two thousand and twenty, and the independence of the United States of America, two hundred and forty-four.