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Representative Mary Jane Wallner, Chairman
Joint Fiscal Committee of the General Court
Legislative Office Building, Room 210-211
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Senator Tom Sherman, Chairman
Senate Health and Human Services Committee
Legislative Office Building, Room 107
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Re: CHINS Quarterly Report to the General Court Pursuant to Chapter Law 249, 2013 Session

Dear Representative Long, Representative Wallner and Senator Sherman:

Enclosed please find a copy of the Department's Quarterly Report to the General Court on the CHINS program pursuant to Chapter Law 249, 2013 Session for the period of April 2020 through June 2020.

If you have any questions regarding this report, please feel free to contact me at (603) 271-4455.

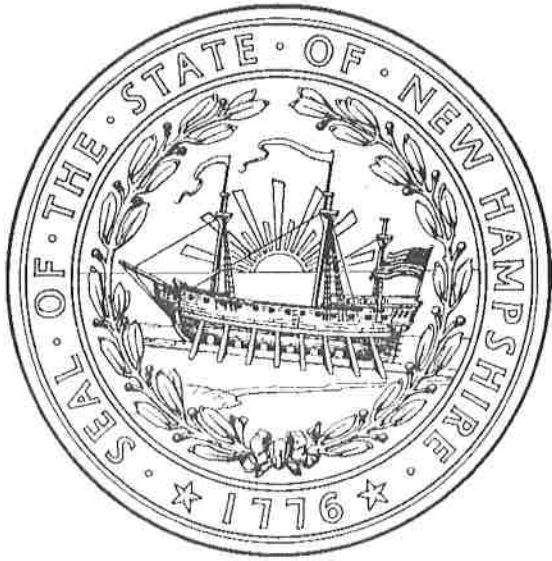
Sincerely,

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Enclosure

NEW HAMPSHIRE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES



CHINS QUARTERLY REPORT TO THE GENERAL COURT PURSUANT TO CHAPTER LAW 249, 2013 SESSION

April 2020 through June 2020

SUMMARY

In 2013 the legislature passed HB 260 relative to the children in need of services program (CHINS). Codified at RSA 169-D, that legislation restored various categories of CHINS, added voluntary services to the program and required the department to provide quarterly reports to the general court regarding the CHINS cases handled under the revised statute. Specifically, the department was directed to report on:

- The number of cases assessed pursuant to RSA 169-D:5-c.
- The number of cases declined for voluntary services and the bases for the declinations.
- The number of cases accepted for voluntary services and their ultimate disposition.
- The number of petitions filed pursuant to RSA 169-D:5, I, and their dispositions.
- The number of voluntary and court-based cases pending in each definition category of RSA 169-D:2, II at the beginning and end of the quarter.
- The type and cost of services provided in cases accepted for voluntary services and cases handled through the court.

The attached report contains the information required by the statute.