

Legislative Intent: It is the intent of the 68<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assembly that the public health division of the department of health and human services shall first offer \$870,000 (the equivalent cost of ten medical staff) from the Federal COVID-19 Public Health Crisis Response Grant for Public Health Workforce as grant funding to local public health units, with an application deadline of December 31, 2023. All funds remaining after the deadline will be available to the department for workforce efforts per federal grant guidance.