STATE OF DELAWARE

UNIFORM GUIDANCE SINGLE AUDIT REPORT

YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2024



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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

The Honorable Governor and Honorable Members of the State Legislature State of Delaware

Report on the Audit of the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Qualified and Unmodified Opinions

We have audited the accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the Schedule) of the State of Delaware for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the Schedule.

Qualified Opinion on Unemployment Insurance, ALN 17.225, Expenditures

In our opinion, except for the matters described in the Basis for Qualified and Unmodified Opinions section of our report, the Schedule referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the expenditures of federal awards of the State of Delaware for the year ended June 30, 2024, in accordance with the cash basis of accounting described in Note 1.

Unmodified Opinions on All Other Expenditures

In our opinion, the Schedule referred to above presents fairly, in all material respects, the expenditures of federal awards of the State of Delaware for the year ended June 30, 2024, in accordance with the cash basis of accounting described in Note 1.

Basis for Qualified and Unmodified Opinions

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS); the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards section of our report. We are required to be independent of the State of Delaware and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified and unmodified audit opinions.

Matters Giving Rise to Qualified Opinion on Unemployment Insurance, ALN 17.225, Expenditures The State's Department of Labor was unable to provide sufficient appropriate audit evidence for the expenditures of the Unemployment Fund. The State's records do not permit us, nor is it practical to extend or apply other auditing procedures, to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to conclude that the expenditures were free from material misstatement. As a result of these matters, we were unable to determine whether further audit adjustments may have been necessary in respect to the Unemployment Fund expenditures.

Emphasis of Matter - Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 of the Schedule, which describes the basis of accounting. The Schedule is prepared on the cash basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter

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Other Matters – Federal Expenditures Not Included in the Compliance Audit

The State's basic financial statements include the operations of the Delaware State Housing Authority, Diamond State Port Corporation, Riverfront Development Corporation, Delaware State University, Delaware Charter Schools and Delaware Agricultural Lands Preservation Foundation, which may have received federal awards, and which are not included in the State's schedule of expenditures of federal awards for the year ended June 30, 2024. Our audit, described below, did not include the operations of the Delaware State Housing Authority, Diamond State Port Corporation, Riverfront Development Corporation, Delaware State University, Delaware Charter Schools, and Delaware Agricultural Lands Preservation Foundation because other auditors were engaged to perform audits (when required) in accordance with the Uniform Guidance. We were separately engaged to perform, and we have separately reported on the results of our audit of the Delaware State University in accordance with Uniform Guidance.

Responsibilities of Management for the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the Schedule in accordance with the cash basis of accounting described in Note 1, and for determining that the cash basis of accounting is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the Schedule in the circumstances. Management is also responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the Schedule that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Schedule as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the Schedule.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the Schedule, whether due to fraud, or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the Schedule.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit
 procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an
 opinion on the effectiveness of the State of Delaware's internal control. Accordingly, no such
 opinion is expressed.

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 Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the Schedule.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control related matters that we identified during the audit.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated March 25, 2025 on our consideration of the State of Delaware's internal control over financial reporting of the Schedule and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the State of Delaware's internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the State of Delaware's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

Clifton Larson Allen LLP

Baltimore, Maryland March 25, 2025



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

The Honorable Governor and Honorable Members of the State Legislature State of Delaware

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the governmental activities, the aggregate discretely presented component units, the general fund, federal fund, local school district fund, capital projects fund, lottery fund, DelDOT fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information and we were engaged to audit the business-type activities and unemployment fund of the State of Delaware (the State), as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the State's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated . Our report includes a reference to other auditors who audited the financial statements of certain agencies and component units of the State of Delaware, which represent the indicated percent of total assets and deferred outflows of resources and total revenues as described in our report on the State's financial statements and as presented in the following table. This report does not include the results of the other auditors' testing of internal control over financial reporting or compliance and other matters that are reported on separately by those other auditors. This report does not include the results of our testing of internal control over financial reporting or compliance and other matters for the Delaware Department of Transportation, Delaware State Lottery and Delaware State University as we have issued separate reports for the Delaware Department of Transportation, Delaware State Lottery and Delaware State University. The financial statements of the Delaware Sustainable Energy Utility and the Riverfront Development Corporation of Delaware were not audited in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and accordingly this report does not include reporting on internal control over financial reporting or instances of reportable noncompliance associated with the Delaware Sustainable Energy Utility and the Riverfront Development Corporation of Delaware.

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Opinion Unit	Entity	Assets and Deferred Outflows of Resources	Revenues
Governmental Activities	Sustainable Energy Utility, Inc.	1.0%	0.4%
Discretely Presented Component Units	Delaware State Housing Authority, Diamond State Port Corporation, Riverfront Development Corporation, Delaware State Foundation, Delaware Charter Schools, and Delaware Agricultural Lands Preservation Foundation	82.5%	72.7%
General Fund	Sustainable Energy Utility, Inc.	2.3%	0.6%
Aggregate Remaining Fund Information	Delaware Public Employees' Retirement System and Delaware Other Postemployment Benefits Fund Trust	99.0%	87.2%

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Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the State's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the State's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the State's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified.

We identified a certain deficiency in internal control, described in the accompanying 2024-001 that we consider to be a material weakness.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the State's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

The State's Response to Findings

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the State's response to the finding identified in our audit and described in the accompanying schedule of findings and management response. The State's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

The Honorable Governor and Honorable Members of the State Legislature State of Delaware

Clifton Larson Allen LLP

Purpose of This Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

Baltimore, Maryland December 23, 2024



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

The Honorable Governor and Honorable Members of the State Legislature State of Delaware

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the schedule of federal awards (the Schedule), and related notes of the State of Delaware (the State), for the year ended June 30, 2024 and have issued our report thereon dated March 25, 2025.

Our report on the Schedule included an emphasis of matter paragraph describing the basis of accounting described in Note 1 of the Schedule.

The State's basic financial statements include the operations of the Delaware State Housing Authority, Diamond State Port Corporation, Riverfront Development Corporation, Delaware State University, Delaware Charter Schools and Delaware Agricultural Lands Preservation Foundation, which may have received federal awards, and which are not included in the State's schedule of expenditures of federal awards for the year ended June 30, 2024. Our audit, described below, did not include the operations of the Delaware State Housing Authority, Diamond State Port Corporation, Riverfront Development Corporation, Delaware State University, Delaware Charter Schools, and Delaware Agricultural Lands Preservation Foundation because other auditors were engaged to perform audits (when required) in accordance with the Uniform Guidance. We were separately engaged to perform, and we have separately reported on the results of our audit of the Delaware State University in accordance with Uniform Guidance.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit, we considered the State's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the Schedule, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the State's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the State's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's Schedule will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

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Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that have not been identified.

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the State's Schedule is free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the Schedule. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

Clifton Larson Allen LLP

Baltimore, Maryland March 25, 2025



INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM, REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER COMPLIANCE, AND REPORT ON THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE

The Honorable Governor and Honorable Members of the State Legislature State of Delaware

Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program Qualified, Unmodified, and Disclaimer of Opinions

We have audited the State of Delaware's (the State) compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on each of the State's major federal programs as listed in the in the Summary of Opinions section below for the year ended June 30, 2024, except for Unemployment Insurance. We were also engaged to audit the State's compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that should have a direct and material effect on the Unemployment Insurance. The State's major federal programs are identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs.

Summary of Opinions

Major Federal Program/Cluster	Type of Opinion
Unemployment Insurance	Disclaimer
Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	Qualified
Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund	Qualified
Activities to Support State, Tribal, Local and Territorial (STLT) Health Department Response to Public Health or Healthcare Crises	Qualified
CCDF Cluster	Qualified
Childrens Health Insurance Program	Qualified
Medicaid Cluster	Qualified
Opioid STR	Qualified
Block Grants for Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse	Qualified
Pandemic EBT	Unmodified
SNAP Cluster	Unmodified
Capitalization Grants for Clean Water State Revolving Funds	Unmodified
Rehabilitation Services Vocational Rehabilitation Grants to States	Unmodified
National Guard Military Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Projects	Unmodified
Child Support Services	Unmodified
Immunization Cooperative Agreements	Unmodified
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters)	Unmodified

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Disclaimer of Opinion on Unemployment Insurance

We do not express an opinion on the State's compliance with the types of compliance requirements identified as subject to audit in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on Unemployment Insurance. Because of the significance of the matters described in the Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion on Unemployment Insurance section of our report, we have not been able to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion on compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the *OMB Compliance Supplement* that could have a direct and material effect on Unemployment Insurance.

Qualified Opinions on the Eight Major Federal Programs Identified in the Preceding Table

In our opinion, except for the noncompliance described in the Basis for Qualified and Unmodified Opinions section of our report, the State complied, in all material respects, with the compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on the identified major programs for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Unmodified Opinion on Each of the Other Major Federal Programs Identified in the Preceding Table In our opinion, the State complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its other major federal programs identified in the summary of auditors' results section of the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs for the year ended June 30, 2024.

Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion on Unemployment Insurance

As described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs, we were unable to obtain audit evidence supporting the State's compliance with the eligibility, special tests, and reporting requirements applicable to the Unemployment Insurance as described in finding numbers 2024-004 through 2024-009. As a result of these matters, we were unable to determine whether the State complied with the requirements applicable to Unemployment Insurance.

Basis for Qualified and Unmodified Opinions

We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS); the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 200, *Uniform Administrative* Requirements, *Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Our responsibilities under those standards and the Uniform Guidance are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section of our report.

We are required to be independent of the State and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. Our audit does not provide a legal determination of the State's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above.

The Honorable Governor and Honorable Members of the State Legislature State of Delaware

Matters Giving Rise to Qualified Opinion on the Eight Major Federal Programs Identified in the Following Table

As described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs, the State did not comply with the requirements regarding:

Program	Assistance Listing	Noncompliance	Finding Number
Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	21.027	Reporting	2024-013
Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund	21.029	Reporting - FFATA	2024-015
Activities to Support State, Tribal, Local and Territorial (STLT) Health Department Response to Public Health or Healthcare Crises	93.391	Allowable Costs/Cost Principles	2024-017
CCDF Cluster	93.575, 93.596	Period of Performance	2024-018
Children's Health Insurance Program Medicaid Cluster	93.767, 93.775, 93.777, 93.778	Special Tests and Provisions - Provider Eligibility	2024-021
Children's Health Insurance Program Medicaid Cluster	93.767, 93.775, 93.777, 93.778	Special Tests and Provisions - Managed Care Financial Audit	2024-022
Opioid STR	93.788	Allowable Costs/Cost Principles	2024-024
Opioid STR	93.788	Reporting - FFATA	2024-025
Block Grants for Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse	93.959	Reporting - FFATA	2024-026

Compliance with such requirements is necessary, in our opinion, for the State to comply with the requirements applicable to that program.

Other Matters - Federal Expenditures Not Included in the Compliance Audit

The State's basic financial statements include the operations of the Delaware State Housing Authority, Diamond State Port Corporation, Riverfront Development Corporation, Delaware State University, Delaware Charter Schools and Delaware Agricultural Lands Preservation Foundation, which may have received federal awards, and which are not included in the State's schedule of expenditures of federal awards for the year ended June 30, 2024. Our audit, described below, did not include the operations of the Delaware State Housing Authority, Diamond State Port Corporation, Riverfront Development Corporation, Delaware State University, Delaware Charter Schools, and Delaware Agricultural Lands Preservation Foundation because other auditors were engaged to perform audits (when required) in accordance with the Uniform Guidance. We were separately engaged to perform, and we have separately reported on the results of our audit of the Delaware State University in accordance with Uniform Guidance.

Responsibilities of Management for Compliance

Management is responsible for compliance with the requirements referred to above and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control over compliance with the requirements of laws, statutes, regulations, rules and provisions of contracts or grant agreements applicable to the State's federal programs.

The Honorable Governor and Honorable Members of the State Legislature State of Delaware

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance for Unemployment Insurance

Our responsibility is to conduct an audit of compliance in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance and to issue an auditors' report. However, because of the matter described in the Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion on Unemployment Insurance section of our report, we were not able to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion on compliance.

We are required to be independent of the State and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance for All Other Major Programs

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether material noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above occurred, whether due to fraud or error, and express an opinion on the State's compliance based on our audit. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance will always detect material noncompliance when it exists.

The risk of not detecting material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for that resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Noncompliance with the compliance requirements referred to above is considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, it would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user of the report on compliance about the State's compliance with the requirements of each major federal program as a whole.

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance, we:

- exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- identify and assess the risks of material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the State's compliance with the compliance requirements referred to above and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.
- obtain an understanding of the State's internal control over compliance relevant to the audit in
 order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances and to test and
 report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, but not for
 the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the State's internal control over
 compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and any significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in internal control over compliance that we identified during the audit.

The Honorable Governor and Honorable Members of the State Legislature State of Delaware

Other Matters

The results of our auditing procedures disclosed other instances of noncompliance which are required to be reported in accordance with the Uniform Guidance and which are described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as items 2024-002, 2024-003, 2024-010, 2024-011, 2024-014, 2024-016, 2024-019, 2024-020, 2024-023, 2024-027, and 2023-028. Our opinion on each major federal program is not modified with respect to these matters.

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the State's response to the noncompliance findings identified in our compliance audit described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. The State's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of Compliance section above and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies in internal control over compliance and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. However, as discussed below, we did identify certain deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses and significant deficiencies.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis. A material weakness in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. We consider the deficiencies in internal control over compliance described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as items 2024-004, 2024-005, 2024-006, 2024-007, 2024-008, 2024-009, 2024-013, 2024-015, 2024-017, 2024-018, 2024-021, 2024-022, 2024-024, 2024-025, and 2023-026 to be material weaknesses.

A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. We consider the deficiencies in internal control over compliance described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs as items 2024-002, 2024-003, 2024-010, 2024-011, 2024-012, 2024-014, 2024-016, 2024-019, 2024-020, 2024-023, 2024-027, and 2023-028 to be significant deficiencies.

Our audit of the major programs referenced in the Basis for Qualified and Unmodified Opinions section of our report was not designed for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.

The Honorable Governor and Honorable Members of the State Legislature State of Delaware

Government Auditing Standards requires the auditor to perform limited procedures on the State's response to internal control over compliance findings identified in our audit described in the accompanying schedule of findings and questioned costs. the State's response was not subjected to the other auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the response.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

Clifton Larson Allen LLP

Baltimore, Maryland March 25, 2025

Federal Grantor/Program or Cluster Title	Assistance Listing Number	Federal E	xpenditures	Passed Through to Subrecipients
U.S. Department of Agriculture				•
Delaware Criminal Case Scheduling Initiative	10.000		\$ 18,336	\$ -
Plant and Animal Disease, Pest Control, and Animal Care	10.025		1,016,928	-
Market Protection and Promotion	10.163		2,302	-
COVID-19 - Specialty Crop Block Grant Program - Farm Bill	10.170	\$ 16,871		16,871
Specialty Crop Block Grant Program - Farm Bill	10.170	325,991		207,172
Total Specialty Crop Block Grant Program - Farm Bill		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	342,862	224,043
COVID-19 - Pandemic Relief Activities: Farm and Food Worker Relief Grant Program	10.181		51,902	33,062
COVID-19 - Pandemic Relief Activities: Local Food Purchase Agreements with States,	10.182		810,000	755,000
Tribes, and Local Governments The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) Commodity Credit			320,491	188,491
Corporation Eligible Recipient Funds	10.187		020,401	100,401
Cooperative Agreements with States for Intrastate Meat and Poultry	10.475		181,385	-
Inspection			45 440 540	
COVID-19 - Pandemic EBT Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Employment and Training	10.542		15,148,548	-
(E&T) Data and Technical Assistance Grants	10.537		1,713	-
COVID-19 - Pandemic EBT Administrative Costs	10.649		2,796,008	-
SNAP Cluster				
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program	10.551		251,034,107	-
COVID-19 - State Administrative Matching Grants for the Supplemental Nutritional	10.561	535,429		-
Assistance Program State Administrative Matching Grants for the Supplemental Nutritional Assistance	10.561	23,727,823		-
Program Total State Administrative Matching Grants for the Supplemental Nutritional				
Assistance Program		_	24,263,252	
Total SNAP Cluster		·	275,297,359	-
Child Nutrition Cluster				
School Breakfast Program	10.553		15,635,226	236,239
National School Lunch Program	10.555		44,375,708	610,852
COVID-19 - Summer Food Service Program for Children Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program	10.559 10.582		2,567,385 2,240,099	1,302,495 38,228
Total Child Nutrition Cluster	10.002	-	64,818,418	2,187,814
WIC Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children	10.557		9,951,565	_
Child and Adult Care Food Program	10.558		19,307,158	17,549,996
State Administrative Expenses for Child Nutrition	10.560		1,399,305	-
Food Distribution Cluster				
Commodity Supplemental Food Program	10.565		155,608	117,357
Emergency Food Assistance Program (Administrative Costs)	10.568		308,463	132,113
Emergency Food Assistance Program (Food Commodities) Total Food Distribution Cluster	10.569	-	2,548,782 3,012,853	249,470
	10.570	205.404		
COVID-19 - WIC Farmer's Market Nutrition Program (FMCP)	10.572 10.572	235,181 38,168		-
WIC Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (FMCP) Total WIC Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (FMCP)	10.572	36,106	273,349	-
Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program	10.576	50,000		45.000
COVID-19 Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program	10.576	18,056		7,500
Total Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition Program	10.576		68,056	•
Child Nutrition Discretionary Grants Limited Availability	10.579		229,035	-
Food for Education	10.608		6,974,351	-
Cooperative Forestry Assistance	10.664		218,454	-
Urban and Community Forestry Program	10.675		217,189	-
Forest Stewardship Program Forest Health Protection	10.678		271,336 84,621	35,012
Total U.S. Department of Agriculture	10.680	-	402,813,524	21,275,388
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U.S. Department of Commerce State Digital Equity Planning and Capacity Grant	11.032		435,135	
Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment Program	11.035		1,305,312	

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U.S. Department of Commerce (continued)				
Economic Development Cluster COVID-19 - Economic Adjustment Assistance	11.307	\$ 695,688		\$ -
Economic Adjustment Assistance	11.307	2,622,151		Ψ - -
Total Economic Development Cluster	_	2,022,101	\$ 3,317,839	-
Interjurisdictional Fisheries Act of 1986	11.407		17,675	-
Sea Grant Support	11.417		11,609	
Coastal Zone Management Administration Awards	11.419		1,753,883	235,332
Unallied Science Program	11.472 11.473		327,205 115,583	-
Office for Coastal Management Atlantic Coastal Fisheries Cooperative Management Act	11.473		203,013	-
Manufacturing Extension Partnership	11.611		799,080	-
Total U.S. Department of Commerce			8,286,334	235,332
U.S. Department of Defense				
Beach Erosion Control Projects	12.101		407,950	-
State Memorandum of Agreement Program for the Reimbursement of Technical	12.113		28,861	-
Services Military Construction - National Guard	12.400		5,109,749	_
National Guard Military Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Projects	12.401		20,247,038	-
Community Economic Adjustment Assistance for Compatible Use and Joint			655	_
Land Use Studies	12.610			
Total U.S. Department of Defense			25,794,253	-
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development				
Fair Housing Assistance Program_State and Local Total U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development	14.401		36,048 36.048	
·			36,046	
U.S. Department of the Interior Program Not Yet Cataloged	15.000		23,204	
Flogram Not Tet Cataloged	13.000		23,204	-
Fish and Wildlife Cluster				
Sport Fish Restoration	15.605		5,250,542	-
Wildlife Restoration and Basic Hunter Education and Safety	15.611		4,979,195	
Total Fish and Wildlife Cluster			10,229,737	-
Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund	15.615		49,471	-
Landowner Incentive	15.633		63,429	-
State Wildlife Grants Endangered Species Recovery Implementation	15.634 15.657		1,061,011 16,761	-
Adaptive Science	15.670		10,751	-
Historic Preservation Fund Grants-In-Aid	15.904		510,684	33,354
Outdoor Recreation_Acquisition, Development and Planning	15.916		20,000	-
Water Use and Data Research	15.981		20,577	
Total U.S. Department of the Interior			12,005,433	33,354
U.S. Department of Justice	16.017		400 272	400 440
Sexual Assault Services Formula Program Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Program	16.017 16.540		492,372 261,003	468,113 114,635
Missing Children's Assistance	16.543		506.968	-
Delinquency Prevention Program	16.548		103,776	75,808
State Justice Statistics Program for Statistical Analysis Centers	16.550		24,224	-
National Criminal History Improvement Program (NCHIP)	16.554		138,853	0.400.545
Crime Victim Assistance Crime Victim Compensation	16.575 16.576		4,172,029 333,152	3,482,515
Treatment Court Discretionary Grant Program	16.585		139,795	-
Violence Against Women Formula Grants	16.588		963,371	457,710
Residential Substance Abuse Treatment for State Prisoners	16.593		198,496	-
State Criminal Alien Assistance Program	16.606		1,728	-
Bulletproof Vest Partnership Program Project Safe Neighborhoods	16.607 16.609		48,504 111,444	104,077
Public Safety Partnership and Community Policing Grants	16.710		602,524	104,077
Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program	16.738		1,040,035	359,851
DNA Backlog Reduction Program	16.741		522,564	-
Paul Coverdell Forensic Sciences Improvement Grant Program	16.742		151,220	-
Criminal and Juvenile Justice and Mental Health Collaboration Program	16.745 16.750		92,699	87,605
Support for Adam Walsh Act Implementation Grant Program Congressionally Recommended Awards	16.750 16.753		101,171 1,367,464	- 583,454
Second Chance Act Reentry Initiative	16.812		533,386	311,017
NICS Act Record Improvement Program	16.813		85,475	·
John R. Justice Prosecutors and Defenders Incentive Act	16.816		33,477	-

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U.S. Department of Justice (continued)			•	
Postconviction Testing of DNA Evidence	16.820		\$ 131,800	\$ 93,807
National Sexual Assault Kit Initiative	16.833		32,054	-
Domestic Trafficking Victim Program	16.834		7,714	-
Body Worn Camera Policy and Implementation	16.835		74,474	74,474
Indigent Defense	16.836		88,783	-
Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Abuse Program	16.838		1,976,244	755,576
Equitable Sharing Program	16.922	-	405,823	
Total U.S. Department of Justice		-	14,742,622	6,968,642
U.S. Department of Labor				
Labor Force Statistics	17.002		525,592	-
Compensation and Working Conditions	17.005		86,146	-
Frankrich Organization Objects				
Employment Services Cluster	47.007		0.700.570	
Employment Service/Wagner-Peyser Funded Activities Jobs for Veterans State Grants	17.207		2,730,578	-
Total Employment Services Cluster	17.801		374,240 3,104,818	
Total Employment Services Gluster			3,104,616	-
COVID 40. Uncomplayment Incompre	47.005	\$ 3.373.572		
COVID-19 - Unemployment Insurance Unemployment Insurance	17.225			-
Total Unemployment Insurance	17.225	45,978,405	40.254.077	-
Total Oriemployment insurance			49,351,977	
Coming Community Coming Franciscont Dungarous	47.005		4 504 000	
Senior Community Service Employment Program	17.235		1,594,880	-
Trade Adjustment Assistance	17.245		35,198	-
WIOA Cluster				
	47.050		1 542 466	
WIOA Adult Program	17.258		1,543,466	-
WIOA Pouth Activities	17.259		2,546,572	-
WIOA Dislocated Worker Formula Grants Total WIOA Cluster	17.278		1,604,674	
Total WIOA Cluster			5,694,712	-
H-1B Job Training Grants	47.000		1.344.696	
	17.268 17.271		1,344,696	-
Work Opportunity Tax Credit Program (WOTC)				-
Temporary Labor Certification for Foreign Workers	17.273		64,931	-
COVID-19 - WIOA National Dislocated Worker Grants / WIA National Emergency				
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	17.277	171,786		_
Grants	47.077	4.074.407		
WIOA National Dislocated Worker Grants / WIA National Emergency Grants	17.277	1,374,427	4.540.040	-
Total WIOA National Dislocated Worker Grants / WIA National Emergency Grants			1,546,213	-
	47.005		4.040.050	
Apprenticeship USA Grants	17.285		1,243,058	-
Community Project Funding/Congressionally Directed Spending	17.289		603,166	-
Consultation Agreements	17.504	-	561,708	
Total U.S. Department of Labor			65,854,907	
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U.S. Department of Transportation				
Airport Improvement Program	20.106		145,665	-
Highway Research and Development Program	20.200		2,864,816	-
Highway Planning and Construction	20.205		308,998,243	-
Highway Safety Demonstration Projects	20.207		66,138	
Recreational Trails Program	20.219		332,239	-
Highway Training and Education	20.215		227,863	-
FMCSA Cluster				
Motor Carrier Safety Assistance	20.218		1,577,205	-
Motor Carrier Safety Assistance High Priority Activities Grants and Cooperative	20.227			052
Agreements	20.237		907,152	953
Total FMCSA Cluster		·	2,484,357	953
Commercial Driver's License Program Implementation Grant	20.232		76,089	-
Fuel Tax Evasion-Intergovernmental Enforcement Effort	20.240		26,676	-
Metropolitan Transportation Planning and State and Non-Metropolitan Planning	20.505		651,447	_
and Research			,	
Federal Transit Cluster				
COVID-19 - Federal Transit Formula Grants	20.507	5,768,333		-
Federal Transit Formula Grants	20.507	14,913,344		-
Total Federal Transit Formula Grants		11-	20,681,677	-
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State of Good Repair Grants Program	20.525		62,715	_
Bus and Bus Facilities Formula, Competitive, and Low or No Emissions Programs	20.526		1,452,480	_
Total Federal Transit Cluster	20.020		22,196,872	
			22,100,072	-

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Federal Grantor/Program or Cluster Title U.S. Department of Transportation (continued)	Number	Federal Exper	laitures	Subrecipients
COVID-19 - Formula Grants for Rural Areas and Tribal Transit Program		\$ 5,011,743		\$ -
Formula Grants for Rural Areas and Tribal Transit Program	20.509	<u>1,172,919</u> \$	0.404.000	-
Total Formula Grants for Rural Areas and Tribal Transit Program		\$	6,184,662	-
Transit Services Programs Cluster				
Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities	20.513		814,035	
Total Transit Services Programs Cluster			814,035	-
Public Transportation Innovation	20.530		70,100	_
Highway Safety Cluster State and Community Highway Safety	20,000		2 200 450	404 500
National Priority Safety Programs	20.600 20.616		2,290,456 1,981,327	401,563 71.480
Total Highway Safety Cluster	20.010		4,271,783	473,043
Alcohol Open Container Requirements	20.607		265,920	90,674
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) Discretionary Safety Grants and Cooperative Agreements	20.614		52,463	-
Interagency Hazardous Materials Public Sector Training and Planning Grants	20.703		138,048	16,504
PHMSA Pipeline Safety Program One Call Grant	20.721		7,496	-
Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) Grants Program	20.941		675,260	
Total U.S. Department of Transportation			350,550,172	581,174
Department of the Treasury				
Equitable Sharing	21.016		20,441	_
COVID-19 - Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	21.027		173,628,747	69,251,604
COVID-19 - Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund	21.029		36,640,555	36,568,255
State Small Business Credit Initiative Technical Assistance Grant Program	21.031		408,541	
Total Department of the Treasury		_	210,698,284	105,819,859
Equal Employment Opportunity Commission				
Employment Discrimination Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964	30.001		445,284	_
Total Equal Employment Opportunity Commission			445,284	
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National Endowment for the Arts Promotion of the Arts Partnership Agreements	45.025		647,871	
Promotion of the Aris Partnership Agreements Promotion of the Humanities Division of Preservation and Access	45.149		9,256	-
Total National Endowment for the Arts	40.140		657,127	
Institute of Museum and Library Services	45.040	550		
COVID-19 - Grants to States Grants to States	45.310 45.310	556 1,041,213		-
Total Grants to States	45.510	1,041,213	1,041,769	-
Total Institute of Museum and Library Services			1,698,896	
National Science Foundation STEM Education (formerly Education and Human Resources)	47.076		121,497	
Total National Science Foundation	47.070		121,497	
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Small Business Administration				
State Trade Expansion	59.061		34,786	
Total Small Business Administration			34,786	
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency				
Air Pollution Control Program Support	66.001		1,406,873	-
State Indoor Radon Grants	66.032		154,327	-
COVID-19 - Surveys Studies, Research, Investigations Demonstrations,	66.034	13,041		_
and Special Purpose Activities Relating to the Clean Air Act	00.034	13,041		-
Surveys Studies, Research, Investigations Demonstrations, and Special Purpose	66.034	347,237		-
Activities Relating to the Clean Air Act	_			
Total Surveys Studies, Research, Investigations Demonstrations, and Special Purpose Activities Relating to the Clean Air Act			360,278	
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Diesel Emissions Reduction Act (DERA) State Grants	66.040		235,949	-
Climate Pollution Reduction Grants	66.046		273,746	214,617
Water Pollution Control State, Interstate, and Tribal Program Support	66.419		1,426,770	322,852
State Public Water System Supervision	66.432		542,630	-
Voluntary School and Child Care Lead Testing and Reduction Grant Program	66.444		196,000	-
(SDWA 1464(d)) Sewer Overflow and Stormwater Reuse Municipal Grant Program	66.447		337,000	
Water Quality Management Planning	66.454		183.047	90,000
Clean Water State Revolving Fund	66.458		20,312,416	-
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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (continued)				Cubi Co.pionito
Nonpoint Source Implementation Grants	66.460	\$	1,250,790	\$ 497,909
Regional Wetland Program Development Grants	66.461	· ·	190,250	.0.,000
Geographic Programs - Chesapeake Bay Program	66.466		1,974,898	1.172.779
Drinking Water State Revolving Fund				, ,
	66.468		26,205,712	14,925
Beach Monitoring and Notification Program Implementation Grants	66.472		271,593	128,142
Performance Partnership Grants	66.605		584,876	-
Hazardous Waste Management State Program Support	66.801		888,192	-
Superfund State, Political Subdivision, and Indian Tribe Site-Specific Cooperative Agreements	66.802		292,030	-
Underground Storage Tank (UST) Prevention, Detection, and Compliance Program	66.804		266.467	_
Leaking Underground Storage Tank Trust Fund Corrective Action Program	66.805		493,977	_
Superfund State and Indian Tribe Core Program Cooperative Agreements	66.809		437,614	_
State and Tribal Response Program Grants	66.817		754,343	63,344
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Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Infrastructure Grants	66.920		114,645	
Geographic Programs - Chesapeake Bay Program Implementation, Regulatory/	66.964		253,408	98,837
Accountability and Monitoring Grants				
Total U.S. Environmental Protection Agency		_	59,407,831	2,603,405
U.S. Department of Engineering	04.044		400.007	040.040
State Energy Program	81.041		483,067	246,912
Weatherization Assistance for Low-Income Persons	81.042		714,034	620,902
Renewable Energy Research and Development	81.087		112,233	
Total U.S. Department of Engineering		_	1,309,334	867,814
U.S. Department of Education				
Adult Education - Basic Grants to States	84.002		2,119,361	250,535
0.4.45				
Student Financial Assistance Programs Cluster				
Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants	84.007		541,596	-
Federal Work-Study Program	84.033		379,791	-
Federal Pell Grant Program	84.063		23,517,120	_
Federal Direct Student Loans	84.268		13,307,961	_
Total Student Financial Assistance Programs Cluster			37,746,468	-
Title I Grants to Local Educational Agencies	84.010		52,531,627	-
Migrant Education State Grant Program	84.011		425,481	-
Title I State Agency Program for Neglected and Delinquent Children and Youth	84.013		347,150	-
Special Education Cluster (IDEA)				
COVID-19 - Special Education Grants to States	84.027	\$ 290,061		_
Special Education Grants to States	84.027	41,821,599		15,000
Total Special Education Grants to States	04.027	41,021,033	42,111,660	15,000
Total Operation Charles to States			42,111,000	
COVID-19 - Special Education Preschool Grants	84.173	31,228		-
Special Education Preschool Grants	84.173	1,673,082		_
Total Special Education Preschool Grants			1,704,310	
Total Special Education Cluster (IDEA)		_	43,815,970	15,000
Higher Education Institutional Aid	84.031		598,557	_
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TRIO Cluster				
TRIO Talent Search	84.044		324,044	-
TRIO Upward Bound	84.047		1,832,670	_
Total TRIO Cluster			2,156,714	-
Career and Technical Education Basic Grants to States	84.048		6 160 222	
			6,169,222	-
Rehabilitation Services Vocational Rehabilitation Grants to States	84.126		12,975,470	-
Migrant Education Coordination Program	84.144		107,937	-
Rehabilitation Services Independent Living Services for Older Individuals Who are Blind	84.177		275,050	-
COVID-19 - Special Education-Grants for Infants and Families	84.181	907,549		_
Special Education-Grants for Infants and Families	84.181	3,250,437		-
Total Special Education - Grants for Infants and Families	04.101	3,230,437	4,157,986	-
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Supported Employment Services for Individuals with the Most Significant Disabilities	84.187		195,482	-
Education for Homeless Children and Youth	84.196		245,723	-
Innovative Approaches to Literacy; Promise Neighborhoods; Full-Service Community	84.215		190,114	-
Schools				
Charter Schools	84.282		42,507	-
Twenty-First Century Community Learning Centers	84.287		5,877,882	3,170,836
Education Research, Development and Dissemination	84.305		171,924	-,, - 30
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U.S. Department of Education (continued)			•	
Special Education - Personnel Development to Improve Services and Results for	84.325		\$ 248,562	\$ -
Children with Disabilities Special Education Technical Assistance and Dissemination to Improve Services and	84.326		90,760	φ - -
Results for Children with Disabilities				
Rural Education	84.358		53,400	-
English Language Acquisition State Grants	84.365		1,696,563	-
Supporting Effective Instruction State Grants	84.367		9,400,967	-
Grants for State Assessments and Related Activities Student Support and Academic Enrichment Program	84.369 84.424		4,768,972 7,323,633	-
Education Stabilization Fund	04 4050		320.356	
COVID-19 - Governor's Emergency Education Relief (GEER) Fund COVID-19 - Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Fund	84.425C 84.425D		26,509,456	-
COVID-19 - Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) I tild	84.425F		1,204,244	-
COVID-19 - HEERF Strengthening Institutions Program (SIP)	84.425M		118,824	
COVID-19 - Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021–	84.425R		11,356	_
Emergency Assistance to Non-Public Schools (CRRSA EANS) program			·	-
COVID-19 - American Rescue Plan -Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ARP ESSER)	84.425U		116,236,607	-
COVID-19 - American Rescue Plan -Emergency Assistance to Non-Public Schools (ARP EANS) program	84.425V		2,344,014	-
COVID-19 - American Rescue Plan – Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief-Homeless Children and Youth	84.425W		817,105	-
Total Education Stabilization Fund			147,561,962	
Total U.S. Department of Education			341,295,444	3,436,371
U.S. Election Assistance Commission				
HAVA Election Security Grants	90.404		620,784	-
Total U.S. Election Assistance Commission			620,784	-
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services COVID-19 - Special Programs for the Aging, Title VII, Chapter 3, Programs for	93.041	\$ 120		-
Prevention of Elder Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation Special Programs for the Aging, Title VII, Chapter 3, Programs for Prevention of Elder	93.041	23,144		-
Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation			22.204	
Total Special Programs for the Aging, Title VII, Chapter 3, Programs for Prevention of Elder Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation			23,264	
COVID-19 - Special Programs for the Aging, Title VII, Chapter 2, Long Term Care Ombudsman Services for Older Individuals	93.042	2,813		-
Special Programs for the Aging, Title VII, Chapter 2, Long Term Care Ombudsman Services for Older Individuals	93.042	56,117		-
Total Special Programs for the Aging, Title VII, Chapter 2, Long Term Care Ombudsman Services for Older Individuals			58,930	
Special Programs for the Aging, Title III, Part D, Disease Prevention and Health	93.043		95,084	-
Promotion Services				
Aging Cluster COVID-19 - Special Programs for the Aging, Title III, Part B, Grants for Supportive	93.044	1,111,899		-
Services and Senior Centers Special Programs for the Aging, Title III, Part B, Grants for Supportive Services and	93.044	1,410,410		-
Senior Centers Total Special Programs for the Aging, Title III, Part B, Grants for Supportive Services and Senior Centers			2,522,309	
Services and Senior Centers				
COVID-19 - Special Programs for the Aging, Title III, Part C, Nutrition Services	02.045	E40 000		
Special Programs for the Aging, Title III, Part C, Nutrition Services	93.045 93.045	512,909 2,870,947		-
Total Special Programs for the Aging, Title III, Part C, Nutrition Services	93.043	2,070,547	3,383,856	-
Total opecial Frograms for the Aging, Thie III, Fart O, Nutrition Services			3,303,030	
Nutrition Services Incentive Program	93.053		437,455	_
Total Aging Cluster	30.300		6,343,620	
Special Programs for the Aging, Title IV, and Title II, Discretionary Projects	93.048		355,794	_
National Family Caregiver Support, Title III, Part E	93.052		558,376	-
Public Health Emergency Preparedness	93.069		5,338,081	-
Environmental Public Health and Emergency Response	93.070		614,023	-
Medicare Enrollment Assistance Program	93.071		65,425	-
Lifespan Respite Care Program	93.072		189,144	-
Cooperative Agreements to Promote Adolescent Health through School-Based	02.070		40E E00	
HIV/STD Prevention and School-Based Surveillance	93.079		105,526	-

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U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (continued)		_		
Affordable Care Act (ACA) Personal Responsibility Education Program	93.092	\$	362,221	\$ -
Comprehensive Community Mental Health Services for Children with Serious Emotional Disturbances (SED)	93.104		37,183	-
Maternal and Child Health Federal Consolidated Programs	93.110		484,452	-
Project Grants and Cooperative Agreements for Tuberculosis Control Programs	93.116		309,505	-
Emergency Medical Services for Children	93.127		239,063	-
Cooperative Agreements to States/Territories for the Coordination and Development of	93.130		160,118	-
Primary Care Offices Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homelessness (PATH)	93.150		245,015	98,389
Grants To States for Loan Repayment	93.165		52,145	90,309
Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Projects, State and Local Childhood Lead				
Poisoning Prevention and Surveillance of Blood Lead Levels in Children	93.197		542,483	-
Family Planning Services	93.217		1,169,252	-
COVID-19 - Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Projects of Regional and	02.242			
National Significance	93.243	\$ 127,936		-
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Projects of Regional and National	93.243	3,101,041		-
Significance				
Total Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Projects of Regional and			3,228,977	
National Significance				
Universal Newborn Hearing and Screening	93.251		259,260	-
COVID-19 - Immunization Cooperative Agreements Immunization Cooperative Agreements	93.268	4,262,199		-
Total Immunization Cooperative Agreements	93.268	19,690,263	3,952,462	-
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Viral Hepatitis Prevention and Control	93.270		237,290	-
COVID 10. Enidemiology and Laboratory Consoity for Infectious Diseases (ELC)	02.222	44 270 202		
COVID-19 - Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Infectious Diseases (ELC) Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Infectious Diseases (ELC)	93.323 93.323	14,379,393 12,359,020		
Total Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Infectious Diseases (ELC)	30.323		6,738,413	
State Health Insurance Assistance Program Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System	93.324		290,293	-
Benavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System	93.336		437,751	-
COVID-19 - Public Health Emergency Response: Cooperative Agreement for	93.354	1,605,517		-
Emergency Response: Public Health Crisis Response		,,-		
Public Health Emergency Response: Cooperative Agreement for Emergency	93.354	293,678		-
Response: Public Health Crisis Response				
Total Public Health Emergency Response: Cooperative Agreement for Emergency			1,899,195	
Response: Public Health Crisis Response				
ACL Independent Living State Create	02.260		205 465	
ACL Independent Living State Grants National and State Tobacco Control Program	93.369 93.387		295,465 992,844	-
Activities to Support State, Tribal, Local and Territorial (STLT) Health Department	93.391	1	4,729,151	-
Response to Public Health or Healthcare Crises				
The State Flexibility to Stabilize the Market Grant Program Strengthening Public Health Systems and Services through National Partnerships to	93.413		253,700	-
Improve and Protect the Nation's Health	93.421		155,291	-
1332 State Innovation Waivers	93.423	3	4,889,587	-
The National Cardiovascular Health Program	93.426		1,681,689	-
Every Student Succeeds Act/Preschool Development Grants	93.434		5,752,825	4,702,166
Well-Integrated Screening and Evaluation for Women Across the Nation	93.436		251,556	-
(WISEWOMAN) Preventing Maternal Deaths: Supporting Maternal Mortality Review Committees	02.470		227 004	
Congressional Directives	93.478 93.493		227,091 133,498	-
Community Health Workers for Public Health Response and Resilient	93.495		2,805,974	-
Provider Relief Fund and American Rescue Plan (ARP) Rural Distribution	93.498		808,098	-
MaryLee Allen Promoting Safe and Stable Families Program Temporary Assistance for Needy Families	93.556		1,176,330	-
Child Support Services	93.558 93.563		6,473,281 8,765,238	-
Refugee and Entrant Assistance State/Replacement Designee Administered Programs	93.566		3,447,396	-
COVID-19 - Low-Income Home Energy Assistance	93.568	44,147		
Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Total Low-Income Home Energy Assistance	93.568	27,024,584	7 068 724	245,441
Total Low-income Home Energy Assistance		2	7,068,731	
COVID-19 - Community Services Block Grant	93.569	305,221		-
Community Services Block Grant	93.569	3,845,895	4.454.445	3,229,750
Total Community Services Block Grant			4,151,116	

	Assistance						
Federal Creater/Brows or Cluster Title	Listing		Federal	Evnon	dituros		ed Through to
Federal Grantor/Program or Cluster Title U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (continued)	Number		reuerai	Expen	untures	Su	brecipients
CCDF Cluster							
COVID-19 - Child Care and Development Block Grant	93.575	\$	9,573,732			\$	160,000
Child Care and Development Block Grant Total Child Care and Development Block Grant	93.575		20,371,329	\$	29,945,061		-
Child Care Mandatory and Matching Funds of the Child Care and Development Fund	93.596			Ψ	10,636,918		_
Total CCDF Cluster	00.000				40,581,979		160,000
State Court Improvement Program	93.586				284.532		
Grants to States for Access and Visitation Programs	93.597				141,653		
Chafee Education and Training Vouchers Program (ETV)	93.599				59,816		-
Head Start Cluster							
Head Start	93.600				2.921.198		1,809,967
Total Head Start Cluster					2,921,198		1,809,967
Adoption and Legal Guardianship Incentive Payments	93.603				372,562		_
Developmental Disabilities Basic Support and Advocacy Grants	93.630				570,409		229,219
Section 9813: State Planning Grants for Qualifying Community-Based Mobile Crisis	93.639				32,028		•
Intervention Services					•		-
Children's Justice Grants to States	93.643				83,987		-
Stephanie Tubbs Jones Child Welfare Services Program Foster Care Title IV-E	93.645				713,137		-
Adoption Assistance	93.658 93.659				6,419,432 4,290,932		-
Substance Use-Disorder Prevention that Promotes Opioid Recovery and Treatment	93.664				32,972		
(SUPPORT) for Patients and Communities Act	00.004				02,012		
COVID-19 - Emergency Grants to Address Mental and Substance Use	93.665				25,351		-
Disorders During COVID-19	00.007				4 505 054		
Social Services Block Grant Child Abuse and Neglect State Grants	93.667 93.669				4,595,354 267,973		-
Office And Address State Office	33.003				201,513		_
COVID-19 - Family Violence Prevention and Services/Domestic Violence Shelter and Supportive Services	93.671		706,573				624,583
Family Violence Prevention and Services/Domestic Violence Shelter and Supportive	93.671		948,999				937,714
Services Total Family Violence Prevention and Services/Domestic Violence Shelter and							
Supportive Services					1,655,572		
John H. Chafee Foster Care Program for Successful Transition to Adulthood	93.674				520,262		_
Elder Abuse Prevention Interventions Program	93.747				566,012		-
Children's Health Insurance Program	93.767				31,020,310		-
Medicaid Cluster							
State Medicaid Fraud Control Units	93.775				1,939,867		-
State Survey and Certification of Health Care Providers and Suppliers (Title XVIII)	93.777				203,413		
Medicare	93.111				203,413		-
COVID-19 - Medical Assistance Program	93.778		137,704				_
Medical Assistance Program	93.778	2,3	309,011,227				-
Total Medical Assistance Program					2,309,148,931		
Total Medicaid Cluster					2,311,292,211		-
Opioid STR	93.788				42,150,101		14,334,521
Section 223 Demonstration Programs to Improve Community Mental Health Services	93.829				526,277		-
COVID-19 - Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Homevisiting Grant Program	93.870		213,269				
Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Homevisiting Grant Program	93.870		3,951,349				-
Total Maternal, Infant and Early Childhood Homevisiting Grant Program	00.070		0,001,010		4,164,618		
COVID-19 - National Bioterrorism Hospital Preparedness Program	93.889		112,320				-
National Bioterrorism Hospital Preparedness Program Total National Bioterrorism Hospital Preparedness Program	93.889		1,190,491		1,302,811		-
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Cancer Prevention and Control Programs for State, Territorial and Tribal Organizations	93.898				1,535,660		-
Rural Health Care Services Outreach, Rural Health Network Development and Small	93.912				418,272		_
Health Care Provider Quality Improvement Grants to States for Operation of State Offices of Rural Health					•		
HIV Care Formula Grants	93.913 93.917				191,174 6,033,255		-
HIV Prevention Activities Health Department Based	93.940				1,188,230		-
Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)/Acquired Immunodeficiency Virus Syndrome	93.944				318,983		-
(AIDS) Surveillance							

Federal Grantor/Program or Cluster Title	Assistance Listing Number	Federal	Expenditures	Passed Through to Subrecipients
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (continued) Cooperative Agreements to Support State-Based Safe Motherhood and Infant Health	93.946		\$ 226,395	\$ -
Initiative Programs			,	
COVID-19 - Block Grants for Community Mental Health Services	93.958	\$ 1,460,066		1,503,952
Block Grants for Community Mental Health Services Total Block Grants for Community Mental Health Services	93.958	2,756,926	4,216,992	-
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COVID-19 - Block Grants for Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse Block Grants for Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse	93.959 93.959	4,773,994 8,681,175		3,778,614
Total Block Grants for Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse	50.565	0,001,170	13,455,169	
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Collaboration with Academia to Strengthen Public Health	93.967		1,645,021	-
Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STD) Prevention and Control Grants	93.977		1,297,943	-
Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant Maternal and Child Health Services Block Grant to the States	93.991		274,644	-
Total U.S. Department of Health and Human Services	93.994		2,349,900 2,706,194,333	31,654,316
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Corporation for National and Community Service COVID-19 - AmeriCorps State Commissions Support Grant	94.003	146,680		_
AmeriCorps State Commissions Support Grant	94.003	195,419		-
Total AmeriCorps State Commissions Support Grant			342,099	
AmeriCorps State and National	94.006		1,311,098	-
Training and Technical Assistance	94.009		169,545	
Foster Grandparent/Senior Companion Cluster				
AmeriCorps Seniors Foster Grandparent Program (FGP)	94.011		205,835	
Total Foster Grandparent/Senior Companion Cluster			205,835	-
AmeriCorps Volunteers In Service to America	94.013		15,000	
Total Corporation for National and Community Service			2,043,577	
Executive Office of the President				
High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Program Total Executive Office of the President	95.001		139,142 139,142	
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Social Security Administration Disability Insurance/SSI Cluster				
Social Security Disability Insurance	96.001		6,341,595	
Total Disability Insurance/SSI Cluster Total Social Security Administration			6,341,595 6,341,595	
•			0,341,333	
U.S. Department Homeland Security Non-Profit Security Program	97.008		1,394,794	1,325,635
Boating Safety Financial Assistance	97.012		1,748,279	1,323,033
Community Assistance Program State Support Services Element (CAP-SSSE)	97.023		86,379	-
Flood Mitigation Assistance	97.029		12,647	-
COVID-19 - Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters)	97.036	54,156,831		52,600,255
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters) Total Crisis Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters)	97.036	2,889,341	57,046,172	265,812
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Hazard Mitigation Grant National Dam Safety Program	97.039		802,551	175,764
National Dam Salety Program	97.041		56,374	23,549
COVID-19 - Emergency Management Performance Grants	97.042	496,270		256,129
Emergency Management Performance Grants Total Emergency Management Performance Grants	97.042	3,766,031	4,262,301	1,531,798
	07.044			
Assistance to Firefighters Grant Cooperating Technical Partners	97.044 97.045		18,767 288,108	-
BRIC: Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities	97.047		158,036	100,735
Port Security Grant Program Homeland Security Grant Program	97.056 97.067		320,774 5,154,301	- 384,744
Presidential Residence Protection Security Grant	97.134		2,227,811	-
State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program Tribal Cybersecurity Grant Program	97.137		391,053	319,729
Total U.S. Department Homeland Security			73,968,347	56,984,150

Federal Grantor/Program or Cluster Title	Assistance Listing Number	Federal Expenditu	es .	ed Through to brecipients
Research and Development Cluster				
U.S. Department of Commerce				
Coastal Zone Management Estuarine Research Reserves	11.420	\$	975,886	\$ -
National Science Foundation				
Integrative Activities	47.083		185,785	-
U.S. Department of Energy				
Conservation Research and Development	81.086		36,421	34,632
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services				
Food and Drug Administration Research	93.103		263.504	3,847
Injury Prevention and Control Research and State and Community Based Programs	93.136		5,160,139	_
Biomedical Research and Research Training	93.859		111.224	_
Total Research and Development Cluster			6,732,959	38,479
Total Expenditures of Federal Awards		<u>\$ 4</u>	.291.135.386	\$ 230.498.284

STATE OF DELAWARE NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 1 SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Reporting Entity

The accompanying schedule of expenditures of federal awards (the SEFA) includes the federal award activity of State of Delaware under programs of the federal government for the year ended June 30, 2024. The information in the SEFA is presented in accordance with the requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance). Because the SEFA presents operations of the State of Delaware, it is not intended to, and does not, present the financial position, changes in net assets, or cash flows of those programs administered by the Delaware State Housing Authority, Diamond State Port Corporation, Riverfront Development Corporation, Delaware State University, Delaware Charter Schools, and Delaware Agricultural Lands Preservation Foundation.

Basis of Accounting

Expenditures reported on the SEFA are reported on the cash basis of accounting except for the inclusion of noncash items. Therefore, some amounts presented in the SEFA may differ from amounts presented in, or used in the preparation of, the State of Delaware's basic financial statements. Such expenditures are recognized following the cost principles contained in the Uniform Guidance, wherein certain types of expenditures are not allowable or are limited as to reimbursement. Negative amounts shown on the SEFA represent adjustments or credits made in the normal course of business to amounts reported as expenditures in prior years. The State of Delaware has elected not to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate as allowed under the Uniform Guidance and continues to use a negotiated rate.

NOTE 2 STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Federally guaranteed loans issued to students of Delaware Technical and Community College (the College) by financial institutions during the year ended June 30, 2024 totaled \$37,746,468. This amount is included on the SEFA (Assistance Listing # 84.007, 84.033, 84.063, 84.268).

The College is responsible only for the performance of certain administration duties with respect to federally guaranteed student loan programs, and accordingly, it is not practical to determine the balances of loans outstanding to students and former students of the College under these programs.

STATE OF DELAWARE NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 3 REVOLVING LOAN FUNDS

The Clean Water State Revolving Fund and the Drinking Water State Revolving Fund are revolving loan funds. Federal funded new loans provided under these programs are included as expenditures on the schedule of expenditures of federal awards. The State had the following loan balances outstanding at June 30, 2024:

	Assistance	Amounts
	Listing	Outstanding
Clean Water State Revolving Fund	66.458	\$ 248,596,733
Drinking Water State Revolving Fund	66.468	100,203,811
Total		\$ 348,800,544

The amounts shown as outstanding for Assistance Listing numbers 66.458 and 66.468 were not funded entirely with federal monies.

NOTE 4 UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE FUNDS

State Unemployment tax revenues and the government and nonprofit contributions in lieu of state taxes (State UI funds) must be deposited into the Unemployment Trust Fund in the U.S. Treasury. Use of these funds is restricted to pay benefits under the federally approved State Unemployment Law. State UI funds as well as federal funds are reported in the SEFA under Assistance Listing number 17.225. The claim payments included in the SEFA at June 30, 2024 were \$49,351,977.

NOTE 5 NONCASH ASSISTANCE

The State is the recipient of federal financial assistance programs that do not result in cash receipts of disbursements. Noncash amounts received by the State are included in the SEFA as follows:

	Assistance	
	Listing	Amounts
Pandemic EBT - Food Benefits	10.542	\$ 15,148,548
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (EBT Payments)	10.551	251,034,107
Emergency Food Assistance Program (Commodities)	10.569	2,548,782
Food for Education (Commodities)	10.608	6,974,351
Immunization Grants (Vaccines)	93.268	15,313,775

NOTE 6 SUBRECIPIENTS

The amount of expenditures paid to subrecipients was \$230,498,284 for the year ended June 30, 2024.

STATE OF DELAWARE NOTES TO SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS JUNE 30, 2024

NOTE 7 RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

The total direct amount expended for Research and Development was \$6,732,959 for the year ended June 30, 2024.

NOTE 8 DISASTER GRANTS - PUBLIC ASSISTANCE (ASSISTANCE LISTING 97.036)

After a Presidential-Declared Disaster, FEMA provides a Public Assistance Grant to reimburse eligible costs associated with repair, replacement, or restoration of disaster-damaged facilities. The federal government reimburses in the form of cost-shared grants which requires state matching funds. For the year ended June 30, 2024, \$429,961 of approved eligible expenditures that were disbursed in a prior year are included on the schedule.

NOTE 9 REBATES FROM THE SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION PROGRAM FOR WOMEN, INFANTS, AND CHILDREN (WIC)

During fiscal year 2024, the State received cash rebates from infant formula manufacturers in the amount of \$5,721,242 on sales of formula to participants in the WIC program (Assistance Listing 10.557), which are netted against total expenditures included in the schedule. Rebate contracts with infant formula manufacturers are authorized by Code of Federal Regulations, Title 7: Agriculture, Subtitle B, Chapter II, Subchapter A, Part 246.16a as a cost containment measure. Rebates represent a reduction of expenditures previously incurred for WIC food benefit costs. Applying the rebates received to such costs enabled the State to extend program benefits to more participants than could have been serviced this fiscal year in the absence of the rebate contract.

NOTE 10 CCDF CLUSTER (ASSISTANCE LISTINGS 93.575 AND 93.596)

reported in the Schedule for the Child Care Development Fund (CCDF) Cluster include the following funding sources:

	 Amounts
Child Care Development Block Grants	\$ 20,371,329
CCDF Mandatory and Matching	10,636,918
CCDF CARES	3,937,134
CCDF ARP	 5,636,597
Total	\$ 40,581,979

SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS

Section I – Summary of Auditors' Results

Financial Statements and Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards

	1.	Type of auditors' report issued: Summary of Opinions	_				
		Governmental Activities Business-type Activities Aggregate Discretely Presented Component Under Governmental – General Fund Governmental – Federal Fund Governmental – Local School District Fund Governmental – Capital Projects Fund Enterprise – Lottery Fund Enterprise – DelDOT Fund Enterprise – Unemployment Fund Aggregate Remaining Fund Information Scheduled of Expenditures of Federal Awards	Jnits	ype of Op. Unmodifi Disclaime Unmodifi Unmodifi Unmodifi Unmodifi Unmodifi Unmodifi Unmodifi Unmodifi Unmodifi	ed er ed ed ed ed ed ed ed ed ed		
	2.	Internal control over financial reporting:					
		Material weakness(es) identified?	X	_ yes		no	
		• Significant deficiency(ies) identified?		_yes	X	_ none reported	
	3.	Noncompliance material to financial statements noted?		_ yes	x	_ no	
Fe	dera	al Awards					
	1.	Internal control over major federal programs:					
		Material weakness(es) identified?	X	_ yes		no	
		• Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	X	_ yes		none reported	t
	2.	Type of auditors' report issued on compliance for major federal programs:	See Below				
	3.	Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance with 2 CFR 200.516(a)?	X	_ yes		no	
		threshold used to distinguish between a and Type B programs:	\$ <u>12,873</u> ,	<u>,406</u>			
٩u	dite	e qualified as low-risk auditee?		_ yes	X	no	

Section I – Summary of Auditors' Results (Continued)

Identification of Major Federal Programs

Major Programs	Assistance Listing	Opinion
Pandemic EBT	10.542	Unmodified
SNAP Cluster	10.551, 10.561	Unmodified
National Guard Military Operations and Maintenance (O&M) Projects	12.401	Unmodified
Unemployment Insurance	17.225	Disclaimed
Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	21.027	Qualified
Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund	21.029	Qualified
Capitalization Grants for Clean Water State Revolving Funds	66.458	Unmodified
Rehabilitation Services Vocational Rehabilitation Grants to States	84.126	Unmodified
Immunization Cooperative Agreements	93.268	Unmodified
Activities to Support State, Tribal, Local and Territorial (STLT) Health Department Response to Public Health or Healthcare Crises	93.391	Qualified
Child Support Services	93.563	Unmodified
CCDF Cluster	93.575, 93.596	Qualified
Children's Health Insurance Program	93.767	Qualified
Medicaid Cluster	93.775, 93.777, 93.778	Qualified
Opioid STR	93.788	Qualified
Block Grants for Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse	93.959	Qualified
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters)	97.036	Unmodified

Section II - Financial Statement Findings

Finding 2024-001

Department of Labor - Division of Unemployment

Finding Title: Accounting and Financial Reporting – Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund

Type of Finding: Material Weakness in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

Repeat Finding: Yes, 2022-001 and 2022-002

Condition

The Department of Labor's Division of Unemployment (DOLUI) is responsible for maintaining the books and records of the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund, which is reported as a major proprietary (enterprise) fund in the State's Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR). This responsibility includes preparing a trial balance of the fiscal year end balances of the Trust Fund's accounts in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAP).

In summary, the results of our audit procedures and knowledge of the status of the resolution of the prior period findings have identified several material accounts and balances for which account reconciliations are not being performed. These are indicative of systemic accounting and financial reporting deficiencies in internal control, which ultimately led to a disclaimer of opinion over the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund and Business-type Activities. The following details those accounts and control deficiencies identified:

Cash

Procedures are not in place to reconcile cash on a monthly basis between the book balance to the bank balance, rather most of the cash accounts were adjusted to agree to the June 30 bank statements.

Accounts Receivable/ Taxes Receivable/ Accounts Payable

Procedures are not in place to reconcile these account balances on a monthly basis. System generated reports do not agree to the amounts reported on the trial balance, in some cases these variances were significant. Various system generated reports also did not agree to each other making it difficult to rely on any of the information. Some account balances on the trial balance were not able to be supported by detailed reports, DOLUI was unsure if those account balances were accurately stated or not.

Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

DOLUI does not currently have an established method for calculating allowance for doubtful accounts. DOLUI is not following the previously established methodology for calculating their allowance for doubtful accounts, as the system generated reports do not agree to the trial balance. Their external consultants estimated an allowance amount for the current fiscal year.

Revenues and Expenses

Due to the above-mentioned issues in the balance sheet accounts, we were unable to gain comfort over the income statement amounts reported in the trial balance.

Section II – Financial Statement Findings (Continued)

Criteria

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements of the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund included in the State's ACFR in accordance with GAAP. Further, internal control, as defined by auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAS), is a process effected by management and other personnel that is designed to provide reasonable assurance about the achievement of an entity's objectives with regard to the reliability of financial reporting. It is also critical that internal controls are implemented and performed on a timely basis to ensure reliability of financial reporting.

Effect

As identified above, the inability to gain reasonable assurance that account balances are fairly stated, in all material respects, through the audit process due to a pervasive lack of internal controls over the accounting and financial reporting process, leading to a disclaimer of opinion over the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund and Business-type Activities.

Cause

Various factors contributed to the cause of the finding. DOLUI has had a substantial amount of employee turnover in the last few years, resulting in a loss of a significant amount of institutional knowledge and a lack of adequate staffing in place to complete required accounting work, including account reviews and reconciliations, on a timely basis. Additionally, the accounting system used by the Unemployment Trust Fund is an antiquated system, and, due to turnover at the Department, there is a lack of knowledge about the system and how to generate reports. Therefore, it has become difficult to produce user friendly information out of this system on a timely basis for account reconciliations and review.

Recommendation

We recommend that the DOLUI continue to work with external consultants to reconcile account balances and establish documented policies and procedures to continue these accounting practices into the future. They should also ensure adequate staffing is in place for the required workload in order to be able to keep up a timely account reconciliation process to ensure accounts are properly stated. The policies and procedures established should also ensure account reconciliations are reviewed timely and by the appropriate personnel.

Views of Responsible Officials and Corrective Actions

Management concurs with the findings. Business process improvements to provide efficiencies in internal control procedures have been developed. As a result of continued staff turnover and shortages within the Department of Labor Unemployment Division, these improvements were not implemented in a timely manner, thus resulting in the continued identified deficiencies. The State's Department of Finance Division of Accounting has engaged an external accounting firm to assist with the implementation of these deficiencies. The Department of Labor is committed to working with the outside partner to resolve all deficiencies and improve processes for future years.

Responsible Official:

Darryl Scott, Director, Division of Unemployment Insurance

Implementation Date:

June 30, 2025

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs

Matrix of Findings by Federal Agency and Federal Program

				Internal	Control		
Major Federal Program	Federal Agency (Prefix)	Assistance Listing	Finding #	Material Weakness	Significant Deficiency	Compliance	Compliance Area
SNAP Cluster	U.S.D.A.	10.551, 10.561	2024-002		х	х	Allowable Costs/Cost Principles - Time and Effort Reporting
SNAP Cluster	U.S.D.A.	10.551, 10.561	2024-003		х	х	Special Tests and Provisions - EBT Card Security
Unemployment Insurance	U.S. DOL (17)	17.225	2024-004	Х		Х	Eligibility
Unemployment Insurance	U.S. DOL (17)	17.225	2024-005	Х		Х	Special Tests and Provisions - UI Benefit Payments
Unemployment Insurance	U.S. DOL (17)	17.225	2024-006	Х		Х	Special Tests and Provisions - Employer Experience Rating
Unemployment Insurance	U.S. DOL (17)	17.225	2024-007	Х		Х	Reporting - ETA 2208A
Unemployment Insurance	U.S. DOL (17)	17.225	2024-008	Х		Х	Reporting - ETA191
Unemployment Insurance	U.S. DOL (17)	17.225	2024-009	Х		Х	Reporting - ETA9050
Unemployment Insurance	U.S. DOL (17)	17.225	2024-010		Х	Х	Allowable Costs/Cost Principles - Time and Effort Reporting
Unemployment Insurance	U.S. DOL (17)	17.225	2024-011		Х	Х	Allowable Costs/Cost Principles - General Disbursements
Unemployment Insurance	U.S. DOL (17)	17.225	2024-012		Х		Reporting - ETA9130
Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	U.S. TREAS (21)	21.027	2024-013	Х		Х	Reporting
Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds	U.S. TREAS (21)	21.027	2024-014		Х	Х	Allowable Costs/Cost Principles - Time and Effort Reporting
Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund	U.S. TREAS (21)	21.029	2024-015	Х		Х	Reporting - FFATA
Rehabilitation Services-Vocational Rehabilitation Grants to States	U.S. DOE (84)	84.126	2024-016		Х	Х	Procurement and Suspension & Debarment
Activities to Support State, Tribal, Local and Territorial (STLT) Health Department Response to Public Health or Healthcare Crises	U.S. HHS (93)	93.391	2024-017	x		x	Allowable Costs/Cost Principles - Time and Effort Reporting
CCDF Cluster	U.S. HHS (93)	93.575, 93.596	2024-018	Х		Х	Period of Performance
CCDF Cluster	U.S. HHS (93)	93.575, 93.596	2024-019		Х	Х	Allowable Costs/Cost Principles - Time and Effort Reporting
CCDF Cluster	U.S. HHS (93)	93.575, 93.596	2024-020		Х	Х	Special Tests and Provision - Health and Safety Requirements
Children's Health Insurance Program Medicaid Cluster	U.S. HHS (93)	93.767, 93.775, 93.777, 93.778	2024-021	Х		Х	Special Tests and Provisions - Provider Eligibility
Children's Health Insurance Program Medicaid Cluster	U.S. HHS (93)	93.767, 93.775, 93.777, 93.778	2024-022	Х		Х	Special Tests and Provisions - Managed Care Financial Audit
Medicaid Cluster	U.S. HHS (93)	93.767, 93.775, 93.777, 93.778	2024-023		Х	Х	Special Tests and Provisions - Provider Health & Safety Standards

Matrix of Findings by Federal Agency and Federal Program (continued)

Major Federal Program	Federal Agency (Prefix)	Assistance Listing	Finding #	Material Weakness	Significant Deficiency	Compliance	Compliance Area
Opioid STR	U.S. HHS (93)	93.788	2024-024	Х		Х	Allowable Costs/Cost Principles - Time and Effort Reporting
Opioid STR	U.S. HHS (93)	93.788	2024-025	×		Х	Reporting - FFATA
Block Grants for Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse	U.S. HHS (93)	93.959	2024-026	Х		Х	Reporting - FFATA
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters)	U.S. DHS (97)	97.036	2024-027		Х	Х	Reporting - FFATA
Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared Disasters)	U.S. DHS (97)	97.036	2024-028		x	Х	Subrecipient Monitoring

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Reference Number: 2024-002

Prior Year Finding: No

Federal Agency: U.S. Department of Agriculture

State Department Name: Department of Health and Social Services

State Division Name: Division of Social Services

Federal Program: SNAP Cluster Assistance Listing Number: 10.551, 10.561

Award Number and Year: 23IDE58Q3903 (10/1/2022 – 9/30/2024),

231DE401S2514 (10/1/2022 - 9/30/2023), 241DE458Q3903

(10/1/2023 - 9/30/2025), 241DE401S2514 (10/1/2023 - 9/30/2024),

241DE401S2519 (10/1/2023 - 9/30/2024), 241DE401S2520

(10/1/2023 - 9/30/2024)

Compliance Requirement: Allowable Costs/Cost Principles – Time and Effort Reporting

Type of Finding: Significant Deficiency in Internal Control Over Compliance, Other

Matters

Criteria or specific requirement:

Compliance: 2 CFR Section 200.430 (8)(i) Standards for Documentation of Personnel Expenses states that: Charges to Federal awards for salaries and wages must be based on records that accurately reflect the work performed. These records must:

- (i) Be supported by a system of internal control which provides reasonable assurance that the charges are accurate, allowable, and properly allocated;
- (ii) Be incorporated into the official records of the non-Federal entity;
- (iii) Reasonably reflect the total activity for which the employee is compensated by the non-Federal entity, not exceeding 100% of compensated activities;
- (iv) Encompass both federally assisted, and all other activities compensated by the non-Federal entity on an integrated basis, but may include the use of subsidiary records as defined in the non-Federal entity's written policy;
- (v) Comply with the established accounting policies and practices of the non-Federal entity;
- (vii) Support the distribution of the employee's salary or wages among specific activities or cost objectives if the employee works on more than one Federal award; a Federal award and non-Federal award; an indirect cost activity and a direct cost activity; two or more indirect activities which are allocated using different allocation bases; or an unallowable activity and a direct or indirect cost activity.

Control: Per 2 CFR section 200.303(a), a non-Federal entity must: Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should comply with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States or the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

Condition:

The Division of Social Services (Division) was unable to provide support to validate actual payroll expenses charged to the federal program. Timesheets did not have evidence of supervisory approval.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Context:

For 7 of 40 timesheets selected for testing, the Division was unable to provide documentation that the timesheets were reviewed and approved by a supervisor.

Questioned costs:

Undetermined.

Cause:

The Division did not have sufficient controls in place to ensure that time and effort reporting was performed and documented in a timely manner, in accordance with federal requirements.

Effect:

There is an increased risk of charging unallowed payroll costs to the program.

Recommendation:

The Division should reevaluate its current process, implement proper controls, and perform additional training over time and effort reporting. The Division should not seek federal reimbursement unless it can substantiate that the time and effort was dedicated to the federal program. Documentation should be readily available for audit.

Views of responsible officials:

We agree with the auditor's recommendation, and the following action will be taken to improve the current process.

- The Fiscal unit is implementing procedures to serve as the central repository for all Time and Effort records, replacing the current practice of storing these forms at the program manager level.
- Implement internal controls for Time and Effort Reporting.
- Confirm that T&E information submitted is accurate and reconciled.
- Provide training for Time & Effort certification.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Reference Number: 2024-003

Prior Year Finding: No

Federal Agency: U.S. Department of Agriculture

State Department Name: Department of Health and Social Services

State Division Name: Division of Social Services

Federal Program: SNAP Cluster **Assistance Listing Number:** 10.551, 10.561

Award Number and Year: 23IDE58Q3903 (10/1/2022 – 9/30/2024),

231DE401S2514 (10/1/2022 - 9/30/2023), 241DE458Q3903 (10/1/2023 - 9/30/2025), 241DE401S2514 (10/1/2023 - 9/30/2024),

241DE401S2519 (10/1/2023 – 9/30/2024), 241DE401S2520

(10/1/2023 - 9/30/2024)

Compliance Requirement: Special Tests and Provisions – EBT Card Security

Type of Finding: Significant Deficiency in Internal Control Over Compliance, Other

Matters

Criteria or specific requirement:

Compliance: The state is required to maintain adequate security over, and documentation/records for, EBT cards, to prevent their theft, embezzlement, loss, damage, destruction, unauthorized transfer, negotiation, or use (7 CFR section 274.8(b)(3)).

Control: Per 2 CFR section 200.303(a), a non-Federal entity must: Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should comply with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States or the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

Condition:

The Division of Social Services (Division) did not properly secure EBT cards.

Context:

For 1 of 5 sites visited by auditors, EBT cards were not properly secured. Both the storage room and the lockbox were unlocked when auditors arrived on site.

Questioned costs:

Undetermined.

Cause:

The Division did not have sufficient controls in place to ensure that EBT cards were properly secured.

Effect:

There is an increased risk of unauthorized personnel accessing EBT cards.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Recommendation:

The Division should reevaluate its current process, implement proper controls, and perform additional training to ensure that EBT cards are properly secured at all times.

Views of responsible officials:

We agree with the auditor's recommendation, and the following action will be taken to improve the current process.

The business unit has reviewed the current Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) and has found no errors in its guidelines. However, the issue identified was due to a staff member not adhering to the established SOP.

To address this, the Administrator conducted a verbal and electronic review of the SOP with the EBT staff member and the entire EBT staff to reinforce awareness and ensure compliance with the standard operating procedure.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Reference Number: 2024-004 **Prior Year Finding:** 2023-022

Federal Agency: U.S. Department of Labor State Department Name: Department of Labor

State Division Name: Division of Unemployment Insurance

Federal Program: Unemployment Insurance, COVID-19 – Unemployment Insurance

Assistance Listing Number: 17.225

Award Number and Year: UI372152255A10 (10/1/2021 – 12/31/2024)

UI393142355A10 (10/1/2022 – 12/31/2025) 24A55UI000067 (10/1/2023 – 12/31/2026)

Compliance Requirement: Eligibility

Type of Finding: Material Weakness in Internal Control Over Compliance, Material

Noncompliance

Criteria or specific requirement:

Compliance: State Workforce Agencies (SWA) responsibilities include: (1) establishing specific, detailed policies and operating procedures which comply with the requirements of federal laws and regulations; (2) determining the state Unemployment Insurance (UI) tax structure; (3) collecting state UI contributions from employers (commonly called "unemployment taxes"); (4) determining claimant eligibility and disqualification provisions; (5) making payment of UI benefits to claimants; (6) managing the program's revenue and benefit administrative functions; (7) administering the programs in accordance with established policies and procedures; and (8) enacting state unemployment compensation (UC) law that conforms with federal UC law.

Control: Per 2 CFR section 200.303(a), a non-Federal entity must: Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should comply with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States or the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

Condition:

The Division of Unemployment Insurance (Division) did not maintain documentation supporting claimant eligibility. The Division was unable to provide a complete population to auditors for testing.

Context:

Due to a significant data loss, auditors were unable to verify that the population provided for testing by the Division was complete. Auditors selected sixty claimants from the population that was provided, and the following exceptions were noted:

- For 40 of 60 claimants, a weekly certification for work search was not performed.
- 3 of 60 claimants received unemployment benefits before eligibility was determined.
- For 1 of 60 claimants, documentation could not be provided for the claimant's wages during the base period used to calculate the weekly benefit amount (WBA) and maximum benefit amount (MBA). Therefore, the claimant's WBA and MBA were unable to be verified.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Questioned costs:

Undetermined.

Cause:

The Division's procedures and internal controls were not sufficient to ensure that it issued unemployment compensation payments accurately and that documentation to support claimant eligibility was retained. In addition, the Division experienced a significant data loss which impacted the data available to auditors to verify claimant eligibility.

Effect:

The accuracy of benefit payment amounts could not be verified.

Recommendation:

The Division should review and enhance procedures and controls to ensure that claimant eligibility is properly determined, that documentation supporting claimant eligibility is retained, and that documentation is readily available for audit.

Views of responsible officials:

The Division will continue to provide additional and on-going training to our staff and to continue to work collaboratively with Catalyst regarding enhancements, revisions, and addressing errors within the new Resolve platform. We will continue to work with Catalyst and the Modernization Team to identify systems and applications that would assist the agency with identifying efficient streamline processes, intelligent fact-finding, back-log, and overpayments. We will work with the Modernization Team with updating communication(s) to our claimants and employers regarding unemployment tools available to them (Resource Room, Kiosk, community outreach, our website, and their responsibility with keeping their contact information up to date for us to engage when processing their UI claims. We have implemented OTP (One Time Password) to present fraudulent claims, and the Resolve platform. Our Modernization Team continues to forge forward with hiring a Project Management Team who is working closely with UI SMEs (Subject Matter Experts) and have communicated changes and instructions to claimants and employers. We will continue to develop and improve claims processing procedures, educate staff, communicate clearly to claimants to ensure we meet our first payment promptness measures.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Reference Number: 2024-005 **Prior Year Finding:** 2023-017

Federal Agency: U.S. Department of Labor State Department Name: Department of Labor

State Division Name: Division of Unemployment Insurance

Federal Program: Unemployment Insurance, COVID-19 – Unemployment Insurance

Assistance Listing Number: 17.225

Award Number and Year: UI372152255A10 (10/1/2021 – 12/31/2024)

UI393142355A10 (10/1/2022 – 12/31/2025) 24A55UI000067 (10/1/2023 – 12/31/2026)

Compliance Requirement: Special Tests and Provisions – UI Benefit Payments

Type of Finding: Material Weakness in Internal Control over Compliance, Material

Noncompliance

Criteria or specific requirement:

Compliance: The State Workforce Agency (SWA) is required by 20 CFR section 602.11(d) to operate and maintain a quality control system. The Benefits Accuracy Measurement (BAM) program is DOL's quality control system designed to assess the accuracy of UI benefit payments and denied claims, unless the SWA is exempted from such requirement (20 CFR section 602.22). The program estimates error rates, that is, numbers of claims improperly paid or denied, and dollar amounts of benefits improperly paid or denied, by projecting the results from investigations of statistically sound random samples to the universe of all claims paid and denied in a state. Specifically, the SWA's BAM unit is required to draw a weekly sample of payments and denied claims, complete prompt, and in-depth investigations to determine if the administration of the UC program is consistent with state and federal law (20 CFR section 602.21(d)).

As presented in the ET Handbook No. 395, the investigation involves a review of state agency records, as well as contacting the claimant, employers, and third parties (either in-person, by telephone, or by fax) to conduct new and original fact-finding related to all of the information pertinent to the paid or denied claim that was sampled. BAM investigators review cases for adherence to federal and state law as well as official policy. The following time limits are established for completion of all cases for the year. (The "year" includes all batches of weeks ending in the calendar year.):

- a minimum of 70% of cases must be completed within 60 days of the week ending date of the batch;
- 95% of cases must be completed within 90 days of the week ending date of the batch;
- a minimum of 98% of cases for the year must be completed within 120 days of the ending date of the calendar year.

Control: Per 2 CFR section 200.303(a), a non-Federal entity must: Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should comply with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States or the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

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Condition:

The Division did not conduct weekly investigations of paid and denied claims nor complete BAM case investigations within the requirements established in the ET Handbook No. 395.

Context:

Seven weekly batches were selected for testing. The following exceptions were noted:

- For 4 of 7 weeks selected, Claims Paid investigations were not performed.
- For 6 of 7 weeks selected, Monetary Disqualifying investigations were not performed.
- For 6 of 7 weeks selected, Separation Disqualifying investigations were not performed.
- For 6 of 7 weeks selected, Non-Separation Disqualifying investigations were not performed.

Twenty cases were selected for testing case review timeliness. The Division did not meet the required time limits for closing cases within 60, 90, or 120 days. Specifically, we noted the following exceptions:

- 43% of cases tested were closed within 60 days which is less than the required 70%.
- 62% of cases tested were closed within 90 days which is less than the required 95%.
- 72% of cases tested were closed within 120 days which is less than the required 98%.
- The remaining 28% of cases tested were closed in greater than 120 days.

Questioned costs:

Undetermined.

Cause:

The Division experienced staffing shortages and other pressures which impacted its ability to meet BAM requirements for weekly claim investigations and time limits for closing cases.

Effect:

Noncompliance with BAM weekly claim investigations and time limits for closing cases could delay the detection and correction of inaccurate benefit payments and denied claims.

Recommendation:

We recommend the Division review and enhance procedures and controls to ensure that it performs weekly claim investigations and that case investigations are completed timely in accordance with the time limits established in the ET Handbook No. 395.

Views of responsible officials:

The Quality Control Unit ("QC") is currently awaiting an update from the USDOL's National Office regarding the possibility of a waiver that would allow Delaware to focus on current cases rather than our old backlog. The State of Iowa was granted a similar reprieve, and we are hopeful that Delaware will receive the same consideration.

QC has been recruiting to fill two positions and will determine if there is need to additional auditor positions. QC will conduct weekly meetings and provide progress reports to track milestones and address identified deficiencies. Additionally, QC will assess and re-evaluate its monitoring tools for effectiveness and utilize available reports as an additional resource for tracking progress.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Reference Number: 2024-006 **Prior Year Finding:** 2023-018

Federal Agency: U.S. Department of Labor State Department Name: Department of Labor

State Division Name: Division of Unemployment Insurance

Federal Program: Unemployment Insurance, COVID-19 – Unemployment Insurance

Assistance Listing Number: 17.225

Award Number and Year: UI372152255A10 (10/1/2021 – 12/31/2024)

UI393142355A10 (10/1/2022 – 12/31/2025) 24A55UI000067 (10/1/2023 – 12/31/2026)

Compliance Requirement: Special Tests and Provisions – Employer Experience Rating

Type of Finding: Material Weakness in Internal Control over Compliance, Material

Noncompliance

Criteria or specific requirement:

Compliance: Certain benefits accrue to states and employers as a result of the state having a federally approved experience-rated UI tax system. All states currently have an approved system. For the purpose of proper administration of the system, the SWA maintains accounts, or subsidiary ledgers, on a state UI taxes received or due from individual employers, and the UI benefits charged to the employer. The employer's "experience" with the unemployment of former employees is the dominant factor in the SWA computation of the employer's annual state UI tax rate. The computation of the employer's annual tax rate is based on state UI law (26 USC 3303).

Control: Per 2 CFR section 200.303(a), a non-Federal entity must: Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should comply with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States or the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

Condition:

The Division of Unemployment Insurance (Division) did not maintain documentation supporting employer experience rate calculations. The Division was unable to provide a complete population to auditors for testing. Therefore, compliance with employer experience rating calculations could not be verified.

Context:

Due to a significant loss of data transferred to the mainframe, the population provided to auditors for testing was incomplete. Data was missing for the December 2023 and March 2024 quarters. Auditors selected sixty claimants from the population that was provided, and the following exceptions were noted:

- For 9 of 60 employers selected for testing, due to data loss in the mainframe, auditors were unable to verify the rate calculation.
- For 1 or 60 employers selected for testing, the rate calculated by the Division did not agree with supporting documentation.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

House Bill No. 236 prescribes the formula to be used by the Division to calculate the UI tax rate.
 For 3 of 60 employers selected for testing, the Division did not follow the prescribed formula.

Questioned costs:

Undetermined.

Cause:

The Division's procedures and controls were not sufficient to ensure that support for employer experience ratings was maintained and available for audit. In addition, the Division experienced a significant data loss which impacted the data available to auditors to verify rate calculations.

Effect:

The Division incorrectly applied employer experience rates to employers and failed to apply payments to employer accounts due to data loss.

Recommendation:

The Division should review and enhance procedures and controls to ensure that employer experience rates are properly calculated and applied and that documentation of employer experience rating calculations is maintained and readily available for audit.

Views of responsible officials:

As identified and noted in prior audits and BDO business process improvement (BPI) analysis, the Division is working to enhance its data transfer and posting controls. This will ensure that submitted employer quarterly tax report information including payments are posted to the employer's Unemployment Insurance accounts timely and accurately. The implementation of recommended BPIs from BDO kicked off on March 6, 2025.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Reference Number: 2024-007 **Prior Year Finding:** 2023-019

Federal Agency: U.S. Department of Labor State Department Name: Department of Labor

State Division Name: Division of Unemployment Insurance

Federal Program: Unemployment Insurance, COVID-19 – Unemployment Insurance

Assistance Listing Number: 17.225

Award Number and Year: UI372152255A10 (10/1/2021 – 12/31/2024)

UI393142355A10 (10/1/2022 – 12/31/2025) 24A55UI000067 (10/1/2023 – 12/31/2026)

Compliance Requirement: Reporting – ETA 2208A, Quarterly UI Above-Base Report

Type of Finding: Material Weakness in Internal Control over Compliance, Material

Noncompliance

Criteria or specific requirement:

Compliance: ETA 2208A, Quarterly UI Above-Base Report (OMB No. 1205-0132) – Quarterly report of staff years worked and paid by program category. Reports are due no later than 30 days after the end of each quarter.

Control: Per 2 CFR section 200.303(a), a non-Federal entity must: Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should comply with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States or the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

Condition:

The Division of Unemployment Insurance (Division) was unable to provide documentation that agreed with the ETA 2208A – Quarterly UI Above-Base Reports. In addition, segregation of duties in the preparation and review of the reports could not be verified.

Context:

ETA 2208A reports were selected for testing for the 9/30/2023 and 3/31/2024 quarters. We noted the following exceptions:

- The Division was unable to provide supporting documentation for the current quarter portion of the 9/30/2023 ETA 2208A report.
- The amounts reported for the key line item Trade Claims Activities did not agree with supporting documentation for the 3/31/2024 guarter.
- For 2 of 2 reports selected for testing, the Division was unable to provide documentation that reports were reviewed and approved prior to submission. The same individual both prepared and submitted the reports.

Questioned costs:

Undetermined.

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Cause:

The Division's procedures and internal controls were not sufficient to ensure that submitted ETA 2208A reports agreed with supporting documentation, that it retained supporting documentation for all reports, nor that it maintained documentation that reports were reviewed and approved prior to submission.

Effect:

Auditors were unable to confirm that submitted reports were accurate, that they agreed to supporting documentation, nor that reports were reviewed and approved prior to submission.

Recommendation:

The Division should review and update its reporting procedures and controls to ensure that ETA 2208A – Quarterly UI Above-Base Reports tie to supporting documentation, that supporting documentation is maintained and readily available for audit, and that documentation that reports are reviewed and approved prior to submission is maintained.

Views of responsible officials:

The Division recently resolved a similar finding with the 9130 reports. This finding was resolved with USDOL on 2/11/2025. The Division will review the corrective action plan, policies and procedures developed for the 9130 and determine applicability for the ETA-2208A. We believe this work recently done for the 9130, can be expanded to include all reporting including the 2208A.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Reference Number: 2024-008 **Prior Year Finding:** 2023-024

Federal Agency:

U.S. Department of Labor

State Department Name:

Department of Labor

State Division Name: Division of Unemployment Insurance

Federal Program: Unemployment Insurance, COVID-19 – Unemployment Insurance

Assistance Listing Number: 17.225

Award Number and Year: UI372152255A10 (10/1/2021 – 12/31/2024)

UI393142355A10 (10/1/2022 – 12/31/2025) 24A55UI000067 (10/1/2023 – 12/31/2026)

Compliance Requirement: Reporting – ETA 191, Financial Status Report of UCFE/UCX

Type of Finding: Material Weakness in Internal Control Over Compliance, Material

Noncompliance

Criteria or specific requirement:

Compliance: 9050-Time Lapse of All First Payments except Workshare is a quarterly report on UCFE and UCX expenditures and the total amount of benefits paid to claimants of specific federal agencies (ET Handbook 401).

Control: Per 2 CFR section 200.303(a), a non-Federal entity must: Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should comply with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States or the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

Condition:

The Division of Unemployment Insurance (Division) was unable to provide documentation that the ETA 191 – Financial Status Report had been submitted for one quarter. In addition, segregation of duties in the preparation and review of the ETA 191 reports for other quarters could not be verified.

Context:

Two quarterly reports were selected for testing and the following exceptions were noted:

- The Division was unable to provide documentation that the 3/31/2024 report had been submitted.
- Report instructions indicate that a primary and secondary contact should prepare and review the ETA 191 reports. The Division was unable to provide support that there were separate preparer and reviewers for the 9/30/2023 report.

Questioned costs:

Undetermined.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Cause:

The Division does not have sufficient procedures and internal controls to ensure that ETA 191 reports are submitted nor that supporting documentation for the separate preparer and reviewer of the reports is maintained.

Effect:

Auditors were unable to confirm that the 3/31/2024 report had been submitted. In addition, inaccurate information could be reported in the ETA 191 reports if the preparer is also the reviewer who submits the report. Errors could go undetected.

Recommendation:

We recommend the Division develop procedures and internal controls and perform staff training to ensure that ETA 191 reports are submitted, that reports tie to supporting documentation, and that proper segregation of duties is maintained. The Division should also maintain documentation for all reports, including documentation of internal controls. This documentation should be readily available for audit.

Views of responsible officials:

The Division has completed its development of procedures, process controls and training of staff to ensure ETA 191 are submitted timely and accurately. The new procedures were review and accepted by USDOL on March 06, 2025. As a result, the ETA 191 CAP has been satisfied.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Reference Number: 2024-009

Prior Year Finding: No

Federal Agency: U.S. Department of Labor State Department Name: Department of Labor

State Division Name: Division of Unemployment Insurance

Federal Program: Unemployment Insurance, COVID-19 – Unemployment Insurance

Assistance Listing Number: 17.225

Award Number and Year: UI372152255A10 (10/1/2021 – 12/31/2024)

UI393142355A10 (10/1/2022 – 12/31/2025) 24A55UI000067 (10/1/2023 – 12/31/2026)

Compliance Requirement: Reporting – ETA 9050-Time Lapse of All First Payments except

Workshare

Type of Finding: Material Weakness in Internal Control over Compliance, Material

Noncompliance

Criteria or specific requirement:

Compliance: The ETA 9050, Time Lapse of All First Payments except Workshare report contains monthly information on first payment time lapse. This report concerns the time it takes states to pay benefits to claimants for the first compensable week of unemployment. That data addressed first payment time lapse for total unemployment only. The report is submitted electronically to the ETA National Office on the 20th of the month following the month to which the data relates.

Control: Per 2 CFR section 200.303(a), a non-Federal entity must: Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should comply with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States or the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

Condition:

The Division of Unemployment Insurance (Division) was unable to provide documentation that it had submitted the ETA 9050 report.

Context:

For 1 of 3 ETA 9050 reports selected for testing, the Division was unable to provide documentation that the report had been submitted. Auditors were unable to confirm that the report for the 9/30/2023 quarter had been submitted.

Questioned costs:

None noted.

Cause:

The Division's procedures were not sufficient to ensure that ETA 9050 reports were submitted.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Effect:

The Division is not in compliance with ETA 9050 reporting requirements.

Recommendation:

We recommend the Division review and enhance procedures and internal controls to ensure that ETA 9050 reports are submitted in accordance with program requirements and that report documentation is maintained and available for audit.

Views of responsible officials:

We remain committed to providing ongoing training to our staff and will continue collaborating with Catalyst to enhance, revise, and address any errors within the new Resolve platform. Additionally, we will work closely with Catalyst and the Modernization Team to identify systems and applications that improve efficiency through streamlined processes, intelligent fact-finding, backlog reduction, and overpayment management.

Our collaboration with the Modernization Team also includes updating communications for claimants and employers about available unemployment tools, such as the Resource Room, kiosks, community outreach programs, and our website. We will emphasize the importance of keeping their contact information up to date to ensure smooth engagement during UI claims processing.

To combat fraudulent claims, we have implemented One-Time Password (OTP) authentication within the Resolve platform. Furthermore, the Modernization Team is actively hiring a Project Management Team that works closely with UI Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) to implement changes and effectively communicate instructions to claimants and employers.

We remain dedicated to refining claims processing procedures, enhancing staff education, and providing clear communication to claimants, all to meet our first payment promptness measures.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Reference Number: 2024-010 **Prior Year Finding:** 2023-021

Federal Agency: U.S. Department of Labor State Department Name: Department of Labor

State Division Name: Division of Unemployment Insurance

Federal Program: Unemployment Insurance, COVID-19 – Unemployment Insurance

Assistance Listing Number: 17.225

Award Number and Year: UI347072055A10 (4/1/2020 – 6/30/2024), UI372152255A10

(10/1/2021 – 12/31/2024), UI393142355A10 (10/1/2022 –

12/31/2025)

24A55UI000067 (10/1/2023 - 12/31/2026)

Compliance Requirement: Allowable Cost/Cost Principles – Time and Effort Reporting

Type of Finding: Significant Deficiency in Internal Control Over Compliance, Other

Matters

Criteria or specific requirement:

Compliance: 2 CFR Section 200.430 (8)(i) Standards for Documentation of Personnel Expenses states that: Charges to Federal awards for salaries and wages must be based on records that accurately reflect the work performed. These records must:

- (i) Be supported by a system of internal control which provides reasonable assurance that the charges are accurate, allowable, and properly allocated;
- (ii) Be incorporated into the official records of the non-Federal entity:
- (iii) Reasonably reflect the total activity for which the employee is compensated by the non-Federal entity, not exceeding 100% of compensated activities;
- (iv) Encompass both federally assisted, and all other activities compensated by the non-Federal entity on an integrated basis, but may include the use of subsidiary records as defined in the non-Federal entity's written policy;
- (v) Comply with the established accounting policies and practices of the non-Federal entity;
- (vii) Support the distribution of the employee's salary or wages among specific activities or cost objectives if the employee works on more than one Federal award; a Federal award and non-Federal award; an indirect cost activity and a direct cost activity; two or more indirect activities which are allocated using different allocation bases; or an unallowable activity and a direct or indirect cost activity.

Control: Per 2 CFR section 200.303(a), a non-Federal entity must: Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should comply with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States or the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

Condition:

Division of Unemployment Insurance (Division) was unable to provide support to validate actual payroll expenses charged to the federal program. Timesheets did not have evidence of supervisory approval.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Context:

For 13 of 60 timesheets selected for testing, the Division was unable to provide documentation that the timesheets were reviewed and approved by a supervisor.

Questioned costs:

Undetermined.

Cause:

Controls were not operating effectively to ensure that time and effort reporting was performed and documented in a timely manner, in accordance with federal requirements.

Effect:

There is an increased risk of charging unallowed payroll costs to the program.

Recommendation:

The Division should reevaluate its current process, implement proper controls, and perform additional training over time and effort reporting. The Division should not seek federal reimbursement unless it can substantiate that the time and effort was dedicated to the federal program. Documentation should be readily available for audit.

Views of responsible officials:

Current process is that staff enter their time and effort in the state's timekeeping system "eStar" with dedicated functional activity codes that records their daily functions. Activity codes help determine appropriate time and effort. We understand that there was a lack of approvals from Manager and Supervisors on timecards. This is a topic that has been brought up by Division Managers and Supervisors have been told to carefully review and approve all timecards. We have seen improvement in using the eStar system. We will create a policy and procedure that includes a routine reporting mechanism the week after payroll to identify any lack of timesheet approvals so appropriate action from leadership can take place.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Reference Number: 2024-011

Prior Year Finding: No

Federal Agency: U.S. Department of Labor State Department Name: Department of Labor

State Division Name: Division of Unemployment Insurance

Federal Program: Unemployment Insurance

Assistance Listing Number: 17.225

Award Number and Year: 24A55UI000067 (10/1/2023 – 12/31/2026)

Compliance Requirement: Allowable Cost/Cost Principles – General Disbursements

Type of Finding: Significant Deficiency in Internal Control Over Compliance, Other

Matters

Criteria or specific requirement:

Compliance: 2 CFR section 200.403 states, in part, except where otherwise authorized by statute, costs must meet the following general criteria in order to be allowable under Federal awards:

- (a) Be necessary and reasonable for the performance of the Federal award and be allocable thereto under these principles.
- (b) Conform to any limitations or exclusions set forth in these principles or in the Federal award as to types or amount of cost items.
- (c) Be consistent with policies and procedures that apply uniformly to both federally-financed and other activities of the non-Federal entity.
- (d) Be accorded consistent treatment. A cost may not be assigned to a Federal award as a direct cost if any other cost incurred for the same purpose in like circumstances has been allocated to the Federal award as an indirect cost.
- (e) Be determined in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP), except, for state and local governments and Indian tribes only, as otherwise provided for in this part.
- (f) Not be included as a cost or used to meet cost sharing or matching requirements of any other federally-financed program in either the current or a prior period.
- (g) Be adequately documented.

Control: Per 2 CFR section 200.303(a), a non-Federal entity must: Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should comply with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States or the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

Condition:

Division of Unemployment Insurance (Division) charged costs to the program that were issued without documentation of supervisory review and approval.

Context:

For 1 of 40 general disbursement transactions selected for testing, the Division was unable to provide documentation of supervisory review and approval prior to issuance of payment to the vendor.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Questioned costs:

Undetermined.

Cause:

The Division's procedures were not sufficient to ensure that payments were reviewed and approved prior to issuance of payment. Internal controls did not prevent or detect the errors.

Effect:

Unallowable costs could be charged to the program if disbursements are not reviewed by a supervisor who is knowledgeable of program regulations regarding allowable costs.

Recommendation:

The Division should reevaluate its current process, implement proper controls, and perform additional training to ensure that, prior to charging costs to the program, they are reviewed by a supervisor who is knowledgeable of the regulations regarding allowable program costs and that documentation of the review is maintained.

Views of responsible officials:

New task for the Fiscal Advisor V will the review of all vouchers, PO's and payroll to eliminate these findings. This will be done every month. In addition, a new fiscal manager is being recruited which is a new position for UI and aligns with the other areas within DOL in terms of grant management providing for the proper controls.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Reference Number: 2024-012 **Prior Year Finding:** 2023-023

Federal Agency: U.S. Department of Labor State Department Name: Department of Labor

State Division Name: Division of Unemployment Insurance

Federal Program: Unemployment Insurance, COVID-19 – Unemployment Insurance

Assistance Listing Number: 17.225

Award Number and Year: UI347072055A10 (4/1/2020 – 6/30/2024),

UI372152255A10 (10/1/2021 - 12/31/2024)

Compliance Requirement: Reporting – ETA 9130, Financial Status Report, UI Programs **Type of Finding:** Significant Deficiency in Internal Control Over Compliance

Criteria or specific requirement:

Compliance: The ETA 9130-Financial Status Report, UI Programs report is used to report program and administrative expenditures. All ETA grantees are required to submit quarterly financial reports for each grant award which they operate, including standard program and pilot, demonstration, and evaluation projects. Financial data is required to be reported cumulatively from grant inception through the end of each reporting period. A separate ETA 9130 is submitted for each of the following: UI, PEUC, and PUA Administration, DUA, TRA/RTAA, and UA Projects (administration and benefits).

Control: Per 2 CFR section 200.303(a), a non-Federal entity must: Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should comply with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States or the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

Condition:

Segregation of duties in the preparation and review of the ETA 9130 reports could not be verified.

Context:

Report instructions indicate that a primary and secondary contact should prepare and review the ETA 9130 reports. For two of fifty-one ETA 9130 reports selected for testing, the Division of Unemployment Insurance (Division) was unable to provide support for separate preparer and reviewers.

Questioned costs:

None noted.

Cause:

The Division's procedures were not sufficient to ensure that support was maintained for the separate preparer and reviewer of the ETA 9130 reports.

Effect:

Inaccurate information could be reported in the ETA 9130 reports if the preparer is also the reviewer ultimately responsible for submitting the reports. Errors could go undetected.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Recommendation:

We recommend the Division review and enhance procedures and internal controls to ensure that ETA 9130 reports are submitted accurately, with proper segregation of duties.

Views of responsible officials:

The Division has completed its development of procedures, process controls and training of them. The new procedures were review and accepted by USDOL on January 29, 2025. As a result, the ETA 9130 CAP has been satisfied.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Reference Number: 2024-013 **Prior Year Finding:** 2023-014

Federal Agency: U.S. Department of the Treasury

State Department Name: Office of the Governor

Federal Program: COVID-19 – Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds

Assistance Listing Number: 21.027

Award Number and Year: SLFRP0139 (3/3/2021 – 12/31/2024)

SLFRP2629 (3/3/2021 - 12/31/2024)

Compliance Requirement: Reporting

Type of Finding: Material Weakness in Internal Control Over Compliance, Material

Noncompliance

Criteria or specific requirement:

Compliance: Per the Compliance and Reporting Guidance issued by the Department of the Treasury (Treasury), recipients must submit quarterly Project and Expenditure Reports. Required project information includes current period obligation, cumulative obligation, current period expenditure, and cumulative expenditure.

Per 31 CFR §35.6(b)(4), a recipient, other than a Tribal government, must prepare and submit written justifications for projects with capital expenditures enumerated by Treasury in the final rule and with total capital expenditures greater than \$10 million. For projects with capital expenditures greater than or equal to \$1 million but less than \$10 million, written justifications must be maintained in project files. Such written justifications must include the following elements:

- (i) Describe the harm or need to be addressed;
- (ii) Explain why a capital expenditure is appropriate; and
- (iii) Compare the proposed capital expenditure to at least two alternative capital expenditures and demonstrate why the proposed capital expenditure is superior.

Control: Per 2 CFR section 200.303(a), a non-Federal entity must: Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should comply with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States or the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

Condition:

The Office of the Governor (Office) reported an incorrect obligation amount for a Revenue Replacement project. Capital project justifications reported by the Office did not include all required elements.

Context:

Obligations: Sixty projects were selected for testing in both the 12/31/2023 and 3/31/2024 quarters. For 1 of 60 projects selected for testing in the 12/31/2023 quarter, the Office incorrectly reported cumulative and current obligations. This project was a Revenue Replacement project which used a methodology different from other projects to determine the obligated amount. Due to a spreadsheet error, the current and cumulative obligations reported were incorrect.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Capital Projects: Eight projects with capital expenditures greater than or equal to \$1 million were selected for testing, consisting of four with capital expenditures greater than or equal to \$10 million and four with capital expenditures less than \$10 million. The following exceptions were noted:

Capital Expenditures greater than or equal to \$10 million:

- 12/31/2023 Quarterly Report:
 - o 1 of 4 projects did not report a capital project justification
 - 3 of 4 projects reported a capital project justification but did not include all required elements
- 3/31/2024 Quarterly Report:
 - 3 of 4 projects reported a capital project justification but did not include all required elements

<u>Capital Expenditures less than \$10 million</u>: Capital project justifications for projects less than \$10 million are not required to be included on quarterly Project and Expenditure Reports, but the Office included these justifications in the Project Description field.

- 12/31/2023 Quarterly Report:
 - For 2 of 4 projects, the capital project justification included in the project description did not include all required elements
- 3/31/2024 Quarterly Report:
 - For 2 of 4 projects, the capital project justification included in the project description did not include all required elements

Cause:

Procedures and internal controls were not operating effectively to ensure that obligations were accurately reported nor that written capital project justifications contained all required elements.

Effect:

Obligations were incorrectly reported, and capital project justifications did not include all required elements

Questioned costs:

Undetermined.

Recommendation:

We recommend that the Office enhance its procedures and internal controls to ensure that project obligations reported are accurate and tie to supporting documentation. We further recommend that the Office enhance its procedures and internal controls regarding written capital project justifications to ensure that they contain all required elements of the program. The Office should provide training of State agency personnel and conduct periodic reviews of the written capital project justifications to ensure that they comply with program requirements.

Views of responsible officials:

The ARPA team will update our procedures going forward to ensure that obligations are reported accurately. The ARPA team has revised the obligation collection and reporting process to capture all obligated amounts including subawards and aggregate obligations for comprehensive obligation

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tracking. Obligation process improvements were enacted for December 31, 2024, reporting. Procedure changes will include a second-level review and enhanced expenditure and obligation reconciliation prior to the submission of quarterly ARPA SLFRF reporting. During the second and third quarters of calendar year 2025, the state will also review and continue data collection for capital justifications that are deemed insufficient following intensive analysis and review. ARPA staff will have the enhanced justifications provided by state and subrecipient partners documented and captured for the reporting period ending June 30, 2025, and submitted by July 2025.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Reference Number: 2024-014

Prior Year Finding: No

Federal Agency: U.S. Department of the Treasury

State Department Name: Domestic Violence Coordinating Council (DVCC)

Federal Program: COVID-19 – Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds

Assistance Listing Number: 21.027

Award Number and Year: SLFRP0139 (3/3/2021 – 12/31/2024)

SLFRP2629 (3/3/2021 – 12/31/2024)

Compliance Requirement: Allowable Costs/Cost Principles – Time and Effort Reporting

Type of Finding: Significant Deficiency in Internal Control Over Compliance, Other

Matters

Criteria or specific requirement:

Compliance: 2 CFR Section 200.430 (8)(i) Standards for Documentation of Personnel Expenses states that: Charges to Federal awards for salaries and wages must be based on records that accurately reflect the work performed. These records must:

- (i) Be supported by a system of internal control which provides reasonable assurance that the charges are accurate, allowable, and properly allocated;
- (ii) Be incorporated into the official records of the non-Federal entity;
- (iii) Reasonably reflect the total activity for which the employee is compensated by the non-Federal entity, not exceeding 100% of compensated activities;
- (iv) Encompass both federally assisted, and all other activities compensated by the non-Federal entity on an integrated basis, but may include the use of subsidiary records as defined in the non-Federal entity's written policy;
- (v) Comply with the established accounting policies and practices of the non-Federal entity;
- (vii) Support the distribution of the employee's salary or wages among specific activities or cost objectives if the employee works on more than one Federal award; a Federal award and non-Federal award; an indirect cost activity and a direct cost activity; two or more indirect activities which are allocated using different allocation bases; or an unallowable activity and a direct or indirect cost activity.

Control: Per 2 CFR section 200.303(a), a non-Federal entity must: Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should comply with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States or the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

Condition:

The Department (DVCC) did not have effective controls in place for monitoring and obtaining adequate support to validate actual payroll expenses charged to the federal program. Timesheets did not have evidence of timely approval.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Context:

Twenty-eight timesheets were selected for testing, and we noted the following exceptions:

 2 of 28 timesheets selected for testing were not signed timely. They were signed after auditors requested the timesheets for testing.

Questioned costs:

Undetermined.

Cause:

Controls were not operating effectively to ensure that time and effort reporting was performed and documented in a timely manner in accordance with federal requirements.

Effect:

There is an increased risk of charging unallowed payroll costs to the program.

Recommendation:

The Department should reevaluate current process, implement proper controls, and perform additional training over time and effort reporting. The Department should not seek federal reimbursement unless they can substantiate that the time and effort was dedicated to the federal program. Documentation should be readily available for audit.

Views of responsible officials:

Domestic Violence Coordinating Council (DVCC) is situated under the umbrella of the Criminal Justice Council (CJC), in the Executive Branch of Delaware State government. The CJC's fiscal staff prepare and process DVCC staff Time and Effort Certification forms but after December 2023, due to a significant staffing shortage, DVCC stopped receiving T&E forms. After this audit, the DVCC Executive Director communicated with CJC administrative grant staff to request that Time and Effort Certification forms resume being prepared for DVCC staff so that they can be signed and processed in a timely fashion.

In addition, the Executive Director can provide additional documents to substantiate the contractor's time and effort, such as:

- meeting minutes with attendance listed for public meetings that took place during the audited period;
- documents and photos from the Family Justice Center Summit in New Orleans, Louisiana that this contractor attended Dec. 5-8, 2023;
- notes, travel information and receipts, and photos from site visits to 3 Family Justice Centers in Contra Costa County, California that the contractor attended Jan. 31 – Feb 2, 2024.

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Reference Number: 2024-015

Prior Year Finding: No

Federal Agency: U.S. Department the Treasury

State Department Name: Office of the Governor

Federal Program: COVID-19 – Coronavirus Capital Projects Fund

Assistance Listing Number: 21.029

Award Number and Year: CPFFN0144 (2021 – 2026)

Compliance Requirement: Reporting – Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act

(FFATA)

Type of Finding: Material Weakness in Internal Control Over Compliance, Material

Noncompliance

Criteria or specific requirement:

Compliance: Per the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA), prime (direct) recipients of grants or cooperative agreements are required to report first-tier subawards of \$30,000 or more to the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act Subaward Reporting System (FSRS). Reports must be filed in FSRS by the end of the month following the month in which the prime recipient awards any sub-grant greater than or equal to \$30,000. If the initial award is below \$30,000 but subsequent grant modifications result in a total award equal to or over \$30,000, the award will be subject to the reporting requirements as of the date the award exceeds \$30,000. If the initial award equals or exceeds \$30,000 but funding is subsequently de-obligated such that the total award amount falls below \$30,000, the award continues to be subject to FFATA reporting requirements.

The following key data elements must be reported: Subawardee Name and Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number; Amount of Subaward (inclusive of modifications); Subaward Obligation/Action Date; Date of Report Submission; Subaward Number; Project Description; and Names and Compensation of Highly Compensated Officers. (Names and Compensation of Highly Compensated Officers must only be reported when the entity in the preceding fiscal year received 80 percent or more of its annual gross revenues in Federal awards; and \$30,000,000 or more in annual gross revenues from Federal awards; and the public does not have access to this information about the compensation of the senior executives of the entity through periodic reports filed under section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. §§ 78m(a), 78o(d)) or section 6104 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.)

Control: Per 2 CFR section 200.303(a), a non-Federal entity must: Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should comply with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States or the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

Condition:

The Office of the Governor (Office) did not report subaward information to FSRS.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Context:

Zero of eight subawards selected for testing were reported to FSRS. The subawards were issued in March 2021 and have not been reported to FSRS.

Transactions Tested	Subaward not reported	Report not timely	Subaward amount incorrect	Subaward missing key elements
8	8	0	0	0
Dollar Amount of Tested Transactions	Subaward not reported	Report not timely	Subaward amount incorrect	Subaward missing key elements
\$17,755,285	\$17,755,285	\$0	\$0	\$0

Cause:

The Office does not have procedures or internal controls to ensure that subaward information is reported to FSRS.

Effect:

Subawards were not reported to FSRS in accordance with FFATA requirements.

Questioned costs:

None noted.

Recommendation:

We recommend that the Office develop internal controls and procedures to ensure that all required subawards are reported timely to FSRS no later than the end of the month following the month of issuance.

Views of responsible officials:

ARPA staff has addressed and completed the required subaward reporting to FSRS, following the documentation of the issue. We will review and implement new internal controls and procedures to ensure that all future subawards are reported in a timely manner, specifically by the end of the month following their issuance. ARPA staff will accomplish this by monitoring all new subawards established through coordination with partner state agencies including ongoing monthly review meetings and/or correspondence.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Reference Number: 2024-016

Prior Year Finding: No

Federal Agency: U.S. Department of Education

State Department Name: Department of Labor

Federal Program: Rehabilitation Services-Vocational Rehabilitation Grants to States

Assistance Listing Number: 84.126

Award Number and Year: H126A220009 (10/1/2021 – 9/30/2023)

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Compliance Requirement: Procurement, Suspension & Debarment

Type of Finding: Significant Deficiency in Internal Control Over Compliance, Other

Matters

Criteria or specific requirement:

Compliance: Per 2 CFR section 200.317 Procurements by states, when procuring property and services under a Federal award, a state must follow the same policies and procedures it uses for procurements from its non-Federal funds.

Per 29 Del C. Chapter 69, section 6981 Large professional service procurement process:

- (a) Any state contract for which an agency is a party with probable fees, including reimbursable expenses and amendments, greater than the threshold amount or amounts established by the Contracting and Purchasing Advisory Council pursuant to § 6913 of this title for the completed job will be subject to the provisions of this subchapter.
- (b) Each agency shall publicly announce, not less than once a week for two consecutive weeks in a newspaper published or circulated in each county of the State, when professional services are required
- (c) Each agency shall publicly announce each professional services contract subject to subsection (a) of this section by electronic publication accessible to the public in a manner prescribed pursuant to § 6902(9) of this title for two consecutive weeks.
- (d) Such announcement shall include:
 - (1) The project identification;
 - (2) General description and scope of the project;
 - (3) Location;
 - (4) Deadline for submission of brief letters of interest;
 - (5) Criteria for selection of professionals including any special criteria required for any particular project;
 - (6) Indication of how interested professionals can apply for consideration;
 - (7) The agency's intention to award to more than one firm, if applicable; and
 - (8) A description of the selection process to be used, as defined in § 6982 of this title.
- (f) Each agency shall establish written administrative procedures for the evaluation of applicants. These administrative procedures shall be adopted and made available to the public by each agency before publicly announcing an occasion when professional services are required. One or more of the following criteria may be utilized in ranking the applicants under consideration:
 - (1) Experience and reputation;

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- (2) Expertise (for the particular project under consideration);
- (3) Capacity to meet requirements (size, financial condition, etc.);
- (4) Location (geographical);
- (5) Demonstrated ability;
- (6) Familiarity with public work and its requirements; or
- (7) Distribution of work to individuals and firms or economic considerations.
- (g) In addition to the above, other criteria necessary for a quality, cost-effective project may be utilized.
- (h) Each project shall be given individual attention, and a weighted average may be applied to criteria according to its importance to each project.
- (i) For the selection process described in § 6982(b) of this title, price may be a criteria used to rank applicants under consideration.

Per 29 Del C. Chapter 69, section 6982 Selection:

- (b) Agencies shall use the selection process described in paragraphs (b)(1) through (3) of this section.
 - (1) Based upon the criteria established pursuant to § 6981(f) of this title, the agency shall determine all applicants that meet the minimum qualifications to perform the required services.
 - (2) The agency shall then interview at least one of the qualified firms. The agency may negotiate with one firm without terminating negotiations with another firm and may negotiate with one or more firms during the same period. At any point in the negotiation process, the agency may, at its discretion, terminate negotiations with any or all firms.
 - (3) The agency may require the firm with whom the agency is negotiating to execute a truth-in-negotiation certificate stating the wage rates and other factual unit costs supporting the compensation are accurate, complete and current at the time of contracting. All professional service contracts shall provide that the original contract price and any additions thereto shall be adjusted to exclude significant sums where the agency determines the contract price was increased due to inaccurate, incomplete or noncurrent wage rates and other factual unit costs. All such contract adjustments shall be made within one year following the end of the contract.

Sole source procurement shall be avoided, except when no reasonable alternative sources exist. A written determination by the agency for the sole source procurement shall be included in the agency's contract file. (29 Del. C. §6904(i))

2 CFR 200.214 Suspension and Debarment restricts awards, subawards, and contracts with certain parties that are debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation in Federal assistance programs or activities.

2 CFR 180.300 states that an entity may determine suspension and debarment status by:

- (a) Checking SAM (System for Award Management) Exclusions; or
- (b) Collecting a certification from that person; or
- (c) Adding a clause or condition to the covered transaction with that person

Control: Per 2 CFR Section 200.303(a), a non-Federal entity must: Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should comply with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States or the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

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Condition:

The Department of Labor (Department) did not award a contract to a vendor from which it procured services, nor did it verify the vendor's suspension and debarment status.

Context:

For one of eight contracts selected for testing, the Department paid \$247,860 to a vendor during FY2024 but it did not issue a contract to the vendor prior to procuring services and issuing payments, nor did it verify the vendor's suspension and debarment status.

Questioned costs:

Undetermined.

Cause:

The Department's internal controls were not sufficient to ensure that federal and statewide procurement policies and suspension and debarment regulations were followed for purchases made for the program.

Effect:

The Department did not follow federal or statewide procurement procedures, nor did it verify the vendor's suspension and debarment status prior to procuring services from the vendor. Failure to adhere to procurement and suspension and debarment policies and procedures may result in obtaining goods or services under terms that are not in the best interest of the federal program and/or the State or with vendors who are ineligible to participate in the program.

Recommendation:

The Department should review and enhance controls and procedures to ensure that it follows the state's procurement policy and federal suspension and debarment regulations for all goods and services charged to the program.

Views of responsible officials:

The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation's mission is to address employment barriers and support the employment needs of individuals with disabilities. This support includes acquiring assistive technology, job coaches, and a variety of accommodations. Hard of Hearing participants benefit from hearing aids to achieve employment and independent living responsibilities. Unfortunately, the procurement of hearing aids was from Audiology Services Company, a medical group that has 52 practice medical offices. Thus, the Division was not aware multiple medical offices were under the umbrella of the parent company. The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation is exploring the Cooperative Purchasing Venture CPVSubscribe2 tcm36-521414.pdf utilized by other state vocational rehabilitation programs. The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation is engaged with the Government Support Services and agency counsel for opportunities to access the Volume Purchasing Agreement. Timeline: 90 days. The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation is also preparing a request for proposal for procurement of hearing aids and related assistive technology. Timeline 60 days.

The Division of Vocational Rehabilitation has established procedures to monthly monitor vendor expenditures on a monthly and cumulative basis; communicating with team members and vendors when approaching spending thresholds and making system adjustments to suspend access as needed. Timeline: Initiated and in-place but monitoring each month.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Reference Number: 2024-017

Prior Year Finding: No

Federal Agency: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
State Department Name: Department of Health and Social Services

State Division Name: Division of Public Health

Federal Program: COVID-19 – Activities to Support State, Tribal, Local and Territorial

(STLT) Health Department Response to Public Health or Healthcare

Crises

Assistance Listing Number: 93.391

Award Number and Year: NH75OT000088 (6/1/2021 – 5/31/2026)

Compliance Requirement: Allowable Costs/Cost Principles – Time and Effort Reporting **Type of Finding:** Material Weakness in Internal Control Over Compliance, Material

Noncompliance

Criteria or specific requirement:

Compliance: 2 CFR Section 200.430 (8)(i) Standards for Documentation of Personnel Expenses states that: Charges to Federal awards for salaries and wages must be based on records that accurately reflect the work performed. These records must:

- (i) Be supported by a system of internal control which provides reasonable assurance that the charges are accurate, allowable, and properly allocated;
- (ii) Be incorporated into the official records of the non-Federal entity;
- (iii) Reasonably reflect the total activity for which the employee is compensated by the non-Federal entity, not exceeding 100% of compensated activities;
- (iv) Encompass both federally assisted, and all other activities compensated by the non-Federal entity on an integrated basis, but may include the use of subsidiary records as defined in the non-Federal entity's written policy;
- (v) Comply with the established accounting policies and practices of the non-Federal entity;
- (vii) Support the distribution of the employee's salary or wages among specific activities or cost objectives if the employee works on more than one Federal award; a Federal award and non-Federal award; an indirect cost activity and a direct cost activity; two or more indirect activities which are allocated using different allocation bases; or an unallowable activity and a direct or indirect cost activity.

Control: Per 2 CFR section 200.303(a), a non-Federal entity must: Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should comply with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States or the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

Condition:

Division of Public Health (Division) was unable to provide support to validate actual payroll expenses charged to the federal program. Timesheets did not have evidence of supervisory approval.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Context:

For 7 of 7 timesheets selected for testing, the Division was unable to provide documentation that the timesheets were reviewed and approved by a supervisor.

Questioned costs:

Undetermined.

Cause:

Controls were not operating effectively to ensure that time and effort reporting was performed and documented in a timely manner, in accordance with federal requirements.

Effect:

There is an increased risk of charging unallowed payroll costs to the program.

Recommendation:

The Division should reevaluate its current process, implement proper controls, and perform additional training over time and effort reporting. The Division should not seek federal reimbursement unless it can substantiate that the time and effort was dedicated to the federal program. Documentation should be readily available for audit.

Views of responsible officials:

The Division of Public Health acknowledges the finding related to time and effort reporting and recognizes the importance of maintaining robust internal controls to ensure compliance with federal regulations. The Division is committed to rectifying the deficiencies identified in the audit and improving its time and effort documentation process. Specifically, the Division will take the following corrective actions:

- 1. **Review and Revise Internal Controls:** The Division will reassess and strengthen its internal control procedures to ensure time and effort reporting is accurately documented and substantiated. This includes implementing a process for consistent and timely supervisory review and approval of timesheets.
- 2. **Training for Staff and Supervisors:** The Division will conduct additional training for staff and supervisors on the requirements for time and effort reporting, ensuring that employees are fully aware of the documentation needed for federal compliance. This will include training on the importance of obtaining supervisory approval and maintaining proper records.
- 3. **Improved Documentation Practices:** The Division will implement a system to ensure that timesheets are reviewed and approved by a supervisor prior to submission. A clear, documented process will be established for maintaining and tracking all supporting documentation for payroll expenses charged to the federal program
- 4. **Ongoing Monitoring and Review:** The Division will conduct periodic internal audits and reviews of time and effort reporting to ensure continued compliance. This will include random checks to verify that supervisory approvals are obtained, and that all necessary documentation is available for review.

The Division is dedicated to ensuring full compliance with 2 CFR Section 200.430 and 2 CFR Section 200.303 and will take the necessary steps to prevent future issues related to time and effort reporting.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Reference Number: 2024-018

Prior Year Finding: No

Federal Agency:
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
State Department Name:
Department of Health and Social Services

State Division Name: Division of Social Services

Federal Program: CCDF Cluster Assistance Listing Number: 93.575. 93.596

Award Number and Year: 2401DECCDD (10/1/2023 – 9/30/2026)

2401DECCDF (10/1/2023 - 9/30/2026)

Compliance Requirement: Period of Performance

Type of Finding: Material Weakness in Internal Control over Compliance, Material

Noncompliance

Criteria or specific requirement:

Compliance: A non-federal entity may charge only allowable costs incurred during the approved budget period of a federal award's period of performance and any costs incurred before the federal awarding agency or pass-through entity made the federal award that were authorized by the federal awarding agency or pass-through entity (2 CFR sections 200.308 200.309 and 200.403(h)). A period of performance may contain one or more budget periods.

Control: Per 2 CFR section 200.303(a), a non-Federal entity must: Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should comply with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States or the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

Condition:

The Division of Social Services (Division) charged costs to federal grants that were prior to the grant's allowable period of performance.

Context:

Four of five expenditure transactions selected for testing were incurred prior to the award's period of performance start date. Expenditures were incurred from 1 to 85 days before the award's start date.

Cause:

The Division's procedures and internal controls were not operating sufficiently to ensure that expenditures charged to the program were incurred within the award's period of performance.

Effect:

Costs could be deemed unallowable by the awarding agency if funds are expended and/or obligated before and/or after the allowable period of performance.

Questioned costs:

\$2,516, the amount expended prior to the start date of the grant's period of performance.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Recommendation:

The Division should review and enhance its procedures and internal controls to ensure that it charges expenditures to the program that are incurred within an award's allowable period of performance.

Views of responsible officials:

We agree with the auditor's recommendation, and the following action will be taken to improve the current process.

Division of Social Services (DSS) will review expenditures for the 2024 CCDF grant to ensure that all reported expenditures occurred during the period of performance. Adjustment to the prior period will be reflected in the ACF-696 Financial Report. Moving forward, DSS will ensure that its quarterly grant reporting procedures include a review of expenditures and grant draws to ensure all dates fall within the allowed period of performance.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Reference Number: 2024-019

Prior Year Finding: No

Federal Agency: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

State Department Name: Department of Health and Social Services

State Division Name: Division of Social Services

Federal Program: CCDF Cluster, COVID-19 – CCDF Cluster

Assistance Listing Number: 93.575. 93.596

Award Number and Year: 2301DECCDD (10/1/2022 – 9/30/2025)

2301DECCDF (10/1/2022 - 9/30/2025) 2401DECCDD (10/1/2023 - 9/30/2026) 2401DECCDF (10/1/2023 - 9/30/2026)

Compliance Requirement: Allowable Costs/Cost Principles – Time and Effort Reporting

Type of Finding: Significant Deficiency in Internal Control Over Compliance, Other

Matters

Criteria or specific requirement:

Compliance: 2 CFR Section 200.430 (8)(i) Standards for Documentation of Personnel Expenses states that: Charges to Federal awards for salaries and wages must be based on records that accurately reflect the work performed. These records must:

- (i) Be supported by a system of internal control which provides reasonable assurance that the charges are accurate, allowable, and properly allocated;
- (ii) Be incorporated into the official records of the non-Federal entity:
- (iii) Reasonably reflect the total activity for which the employee is compensated by the non-Federal entity, not exceeding 100% of compensated activities;
- (iv) Encompass both federally assisted, and all other activities compensated by the non-Federal entity on an integrated basis, but may include the use of subsidiary records as defined in the non-Federal entity's written policy;
- (v) Comply with the established accounting policies and practices of the non-Federal entity;
- (vii) Support the distribution of the employee's salary or wages among specific activities or cost objectives if the employee works on more than one Federal award; a Federal award and non-Federal award; an indirect cost activity and a direct cost activity; two or more indirect activities which are allocated using different allocation bases; or an unallowable activity and a direct or indirect cost activity.

Control: Per 2 CFR section 200.303(a), a non-Federal entity must: Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should comply with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States or the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

Condition:

Division of Social Services (Division) was unable to provide support to validate review and approval of payroll expenses charged to the federal program. Timesheets did not have evidence of supervisory approval.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Context:

For 7 of 40 timesheets selected for testing, the Division was unable to provide documentation that the timesheets were reviewed and approved by a supervisor.

Questioned costs:

Undetermined.

Cause:

Controls were not operating effectively to ensure that time and effort reporting was performed and documented in a timely manner, in accordance with federal requirements.

Effect:

There is an increased risk of charging unallowed payroll costs to the program.

Recommendation:

The Division should reevaluate its current process, implement proper controls, and perform additional training over time and effort reporting. The Division should not seek federal reimbursement unless it can substantiate that the time and effort was dedicated to the federal program. Documentation should be readily available for audit.

Views of responsible officials:

We agree with the auditor's recommendation, and the following action will be taken to improve the current process.

- The Fiscal unit is implementing procedures to serve as the central repository for all Time and Effort records, replacing the current practice of storing these forms at the program manager level.
- Implement internal controls for Time and Effort Reporting.
- Confirm that T&E information submitted is accurate and reconciled.
- Provide training for Time & Effort certification.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Reference Number: 2024-020

Prior Year Finding: No

Federal Agency: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

State Department Name: Department of Health and Social Services

State Division Name: Division of Social Services

Federal Program: CCDF Cluster, COVID-19 – CCDF Cluster

Assistance Listing Number: 93.575. 93.596

Award Number and Year: 2301DECCDD (10/1/2022 – 9/30/2025)

2301DECCDF (10/1/2022 - 9/30/2025) 2401DECCDD (10/1/2023 - 9/30/2026) 2401DECCDF (10/1/2023 - 9/30/2026)

Compliance Requirement: Special Tests and Provisions – Health and Safety Requirements

Type of Finding: Significant Deficiency in Internal Control over Compliance, Other

Matters

Criteria or specific requirement:

Compliance: As part of their CCDF plans, Lead Agencies must certify that procedures are in effect (e.g., monitoring and enforcement) to ensure that providers serving children who receive subsidies comply with all applicable health and safety requirements. This includes verifying and documenting that child care providers (unless they meet an exception, e.g., family members who are caregivers or individuals who object to immunization on certain grounds) serving children who receive subsidies meet requirements pertaining to health and safety. These requirements must address eleven specific areas—including first aid and CPR, safe sleeping practices, and administration of medication—and child care workers must be trained in these areas (42 USC 9858c(c)(2)(I); 45 CFR section 98.41).

Control: Per 2 CFR section 200.303(a), a non-Federal entity must: Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should comply with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States or the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

Condition:

The Division of Social Services (Division) did not maintain documentation to support providers' compliance with the program's health and safety requirements nor were all periodic reviews conducted to verify compliance.

Context:

Forty providers were selected for testing and the following exceptions were noted:

- For 4 of 40 providers selected for testing, the Division was unable to provide evidence that the provider complied with health and safety requirements.
- For 1 of 40 providers selected for testing, the Division did not perform a compliance review to verify the provider's compliance with health and safety requirements.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Questioned costs:

Undetermined.

Cause:

The Division's procedures and controls were not sufficient to ensure that providers met the program's health and safety requirements.

Effect:

Failure to verify and document compliance with health and safety requirements could allow ineligible providers to perform services under the program.

Recommendation:

The Division should reevaluate its current process and perform additional training to ensure all providers are compliant with required health and safety requirements and that documentation is maintained and readily available for audit.

Views of responsible officials:

We agree with the auditor's recommendation, and the following action will be taken to improve the current process.

The Division will evaluate the current process for improvements and perform the needed training to ensure all providers remain compliant with the required health and safety requirements. In addition, will update procedures to properly reflect federal requirements regarding document retention.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Reference Number: 2024-021 **Prior Year Finding:** 2023-003

Federal Agency: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

State Department Name: Department of Health and Social Services
State Division Name: Division of Medicaid and Medical Assistance

Federal Program: Children's Health Insurance Program, Medicaid Cluster

Assistance Listing Number: 93.767, 93.775, 93.777, 93.778

Award Number and Year: 2405DE5021 (10/1/2023 – 9/30/2024)

2305DE5MAP (10/1/2022 - 9/30/2023) 2405DE5MAP (10/1/2023 - 9/30/2024)

Compliance Requirement: Special Tests and Provisions – Provider Eligibility

Type of Finding: Material Weakness in Internal Control over Compliance, Material

Noncompliance

Criteria or specific requirement:

Compliance: In order to receive Medicaid payments, providers must: (1) be licensed in accordance with federal, state, and local laws and regulations to participate in the Medicaid program (42 CFR sections 431.107 and 447.10; and Section 1902(a)(9) of the Social Security Act (42 USC 1396a(a)(9)); (2) screened and enrolled in accordance with 42 CFR Part 455, Subpart E (sections 455.400 through 455.470); and make certain disclosures to the State (42 CFR part 455, subpart B, sections 455.100 through 455.106). Medicaid managed care network providers are subject to the same disclosure, screening, enrollment, and termination requirements that apply to Medicaid fee-for-service providers in accordance with 42 CFR Part 438, Subpart H. Providers who have been barred from participation by the OIG exclusion list are not eligible to be enrolled in the Medicaid program (42 CFR 455.436).

Control: Per 2 CFR section 200.303(a), a non-Federal entity must: Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should comply with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States or the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

Condition:

The Division of Medicaid and Medical Assistance (Division) is not in compliance with federal regulations relating to provider eligibility requirements for both new and revalidated providers.

Context:

The following exceptions were noted during testing of provider eligibility requirements:

- For 23 of 60 providers, no documentation was available to support that the provider was properly licensed or screened and enrolled in accordance with federal requirements. A license was not provided or the license provided was expired. The provider was not properly screened and enrolled in accordance with 42 CFR Part 455, Subpart E; specifically, no agreements on file, applications outdated, or the provider was not revalidated within the last five years.
- For 3 of 60 providers, documentation was not available to support that the provider made all required disclosures to the State in accordance with 2 CFR Part 455, Subpart B.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

 For 17 of 60 providers, documentation was unavailable to support that the Division ensured the provider was properly reevaluated and re-enrolled as outlined at 42 CFR 455 Subpart E.

Questioned costs:

Undetermined, based on lack of information, we were unable to determine if unallowed costs were incurred.

Cause:

The Division did not consistently follow procedures to determine and monitor provider eligibility.

Effect:

The Division was unable to support provider eligibility which may result in unallowed costs.

Recommendation:

The Division should reevaluate its current process and perform additional training for determining and monitoring provider eligibility. More thorough reviews and supervision should be placed around the provider eligibility processes.

Views of responsible officials:

As of September 2024, DMMA is now in compliance with the 21st Century Cures Act and is enrolling all Fee For Service & Managed Care Organization providers. In addition, we worked with our federal sponsor to ensure we became compliant, and through that process we were granted two extensions.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Reference Number: 2024-022 **Prior Year Finding:** 2023-004

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Federal Agency:

State Department Name: Department of Health and Social Services State Division Name: Division of Medicaid and Medical Assistance

Federal Program: Children's Health Insurance Program, Medicaid Cluster

Assistance Listing Number: 93.767, 93.775, 93.777, 93.778

Award Number and Year: 2405DE5021 (10/1/2023 - 9/30/2024)

> 2305DE5MAP (10/1/2022 - 9/30/2023) 2405DE5MAP (10/1/2023 - 9/30/2024)

Compliance Requirement:

Special Tests and Provisions – Managed Care Financial Audit Type of Finding: Material Weakness in Internal Control Over Compliance, Material

Noncompliance

Criteria or specific requirement:

Compliance: Two types of audits are required for managed care:

- 1. Audited Financial Reports The contract with each Managed Care Organization (MCO), Prepaid Inpatient Health Plan (PIHP), and Prepaid Ambulatory Health Plan (PAHP) must require them to submit to the state an audited financial report specific to the Medicaid contract on an annual basis. These audits must be conducted in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and generally accepted auditing standards (42 CFR section 438.3(m)).
- 2. Periodic Audits Effective no later than for rating periods for contracts starting on or after July 1, 2017, the state must periodically, but no less frequently than once every three years, conduct, or contract for an independent audit of the accuracy, truthfulness, and completeness of the encounter and financial data submitted by, or on behalf of each MCO, PIHP, and PAHP and post the results of these audits on its website (42 CFR section 438.602(e) and (g); May 6, 2016, Federal Register (81 FR 27497); OMB No. 0938-0920).

Control: Per 2 CFR section 200.303(a), a non-Federal entity must: Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should comply with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States or the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

Condition:

The Division of Medicaid and Medical Assistance (Division) was unable to provide documentation that it had obtained and reviewed financial statements for its MCOs, nor did it post results of managed care financial audits on its website.

Context:

For the two MCOs within the state, the following exceptions were noted:

- For 2 of 2 MCOs, the Division was unable to provide documentation that it had obtained and reviewed the MCOs' independent financial statement audits.
- For 2 of 2 MCOs, the Division did not post the results of the audits on its website.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Questioned costs:

None noted.

Cause:

The Division does not have sufficient procedures or controls in place to ensure that its MCOs have independent financial audit performed, that it obtains and reviews copies of the audit reports, nor that it posts the results of independent audits to its website once completed.

Effect:

The Division is unable to ensure that its MCOs were audited in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles and generally accepted auditing standards. Failure to obtain qualified audit reports from its MCOs causes the Division to be unaware of potential deficiencies, corrective action plans or unmet requirements which would be identified as a result of qualified audits.

Recommendation:

The Division should implement procedures and controls to ensure that its MCOs have independent financial audits performed, that it obtains and reviews copies of the audit reports, and that it posts the results of independent audits to its website once completed.

Views of responsible officials:

The Division has developed a process to ensure the contracted MCO's have received an independent audit as required and that the results of that audit will be posted to the website. In addition, the Division will also utilize our independent Actuary CPA to review the financial data of MCO's as an additional step in the review process.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Reference Number: 2024-023 **Prior Year Finding:** 2023-002

Federal Agency: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

State Department Name: Department of Health and Social Services
State Division Name: Division of Medicaid and Medical Assistance

Federal Program: Medicaid Cluster

Assistance Listing Number: 93.775, 93.777, 93.778

Award Number and Year: 2305DE5MAP (10/1/2022 – 9/30/2023)

2405DE5MAP (10/1/2023 - 9/30/2024)

Compliance Requirement: Special Tests and Provisions – Provider Health and Safety

Standards

Type of Finding: Significant Deficiency in Internal Control over Compliance, Other

Matters

Criteria or specific requirement:

Compliance: Providers must meet the prescribed health and safety standards for hospital, nursing facilities, and ICF/IID (42 CFR part 442). The standards may be modified in the State Plan. The Medicaid Provider Enrollment Compendium (MPEC) requires that State Medicaid Agencies perform screening of providers based upon their risk level. Screening includes verifications of licenses and compliance with all federal and state regulations of the program.

Control: Per 2 CFR section 200.303(a), a non-Federal entity must: Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should comply with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States or the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

Condition:

The Division of Medicaid and Medical Assistance (Division) did not maintain documentation to support providers' compliance with the prescribed health and safety standards.

Context:

For 12 of 60 providers selected for testing, the Division was unable to provide evidence that the provider complied with health and safety standards as required in 42 CFR 442.

Questioned costs:

Undetermined.

Cause:

The Division's procedures and controls were not sufficient to ensure that it maintained documentation that providers met the program's health and safety requirements.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Effect:

Failure to verify and document compliance with health and safety standards could allow ineligible providers to perform services under the Medicaid program.

Recommendation:

The Division should reevaluate its current process and perform additional training to ensure documentation is maintained in accordance with program requirements and that all providers are compliant with required health and safety standards.

Views of responsible officials:

As of September 2024, DMMA is now in compliance with the 21st Century Cures Act and is enrolling all Fee For Service & Managed Care Organization providers. This compliance has allowed the Division to develop a process to ensure that the documentation is maintained in accordance with the program requirements.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Reference Number: 2024-024

Prior Year Finding: No

Federal Agency: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

State Department Name: Department of Health and Social Services

State Division Name: Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health

Federal Program: Opioid-STR Assistance Listing Number: 93.788

Award Number and Year: H79TI085764 (9/30/2022 – 9/29/2024)

H79TI083305 (9/30/2020 - 9/29/2023)

Compliance Requirement: Allowable Costs/Cost Principles – Time and Effort Reporting

Type of Finding: Material Weakness in Internal Control Over Compliance, Material

Noncompliance

Criteria or specific requirement:

Compliance: 2 CFR Section 200.430 (8)(i) Standards for Documentation of Personnel Expenses states that: Charges to Federal awards for salaries and wages must be based on records that accurately reflect the work performed. These records must:

- (i) Be supported by a system of internal control which provides reasonable assurance that the charges are accurate, allowable, and properly allocated;
- (ii) Be incorporated into the official records of the non-Federal entity;
- (iii) Reasonably reflect the total activity for which the employee is compensated by the non-Federal entity, not exceeding 100% of compensated activities;
- (iv) Encompass both federally assisted, and all other activities compensated by the non-Federal entity on an integrated basis, but may include the use of subsidiary records as defined in the non-Federal entity's written policy;
- (v) Comply with the established accounting policies and practices of the non-Federal entity;
- (vii) Support the distribution of the employee's salary or wages among specific activities or cost objectives if the employee works on more than one Federal award; a Federal award and non-Federal award; an indirect cost activity and a direct cost activity; two or more indirect activities which are allocated using different allocation bases; or an unallowable activity and a direct or indirect cost activity.

Control: Per 2 CFR section 200.303(a), a non-Federal entity must: Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should comply with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States or the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

Condition:

The Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health (Division) was unable to provide support to validate actual payroll expenses charged to the federal program. Timesheets did not have evidence of supervisory approval.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Context:

Zero of fourteen timesheets selected for testing were not properly certified by a program supervisor. Specifically, we noted:

- For 8 of 14 timesheets, the Division was unable to provide documentation that the timesheets were reviewed and approved by a supervisor.
- For 6 of 14 timesheets, the timesheets were certified by the supervisor in February 2025, three months after they were selected by auditors for testing.

Questioned costs:

Undetermined.

Cause:

The Division does not have controls to ensure that time and effort reporting is performed and documented in a timely manner, in accordance with federal requirements.

Effect:

There is an increased risk of charging unallowed payroll costs to the program.

Recommendation:

The Division should develop procedures, implement proper controls, and perform additional training over time and effort reporting. The Division should not seek federal reimbursement unless it can substantiate that the time and effort was dedicated to the federal program. Documentation should be readily available for audit.

Views of responsible officials:

The Division is re-evaluating the current process, implementing proper controls, and will perform additional training on time and effort reporting for efficiency and compliance.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Reference Number: 2024-025 **Prior Year Finding:** 2023-007

Federal Agency:

State Department Name:

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Department of Health and Social Services

Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health

Federal Program: Opioid STR Assistance Listing Number: 93.788

Award Number and Year: H79TI083305 (9/30/2020 – 9/29/2023) H79TI085764 (9/30/2022 – 9/29/2024)

Compliance Requirement: Reporting – Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act

(FFATA)

Type of Finding: Material Weakness in Internal Control Over Compliance, Material

Noncompliance

Criteria or specific requirement:

Compliance: Per the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA), prime (direct) recipients of grants or cooperative agreements are required to report first-tier subawards of \$30,000 or more to the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act Subaward Reporting System (FSRS). Reports must be filed in FSRS by the end of the month following the month in which the prime recipient awards any sub-grant greater than or equal to \$30,000. If the initial award is below \$30,000 but subsequent grant modifications result in a total award equal to or over \$30,000, the award will be subject to the reporting requirements as of the date the award exceeds \$30,000. If the initial award equals or exceeds \$30,000 but funding is subsequently de-obligated such that the total award amount falls below \$30,000, the award continues to be subject to FFATA reporting requirements.

The following key data elements must be reported: Subawardee Name and Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number; Amount of Subaward (inclusive of modifications); Subaward Obligation/Action Date; Date of Report Submission; Subaward Number; Project Description; and Names and Compensation of Highly Compensated Officers. (Names and Compensation of Highly Compensated Officers must only be reported when the entity in the preceding fiscal year received 80 percent or more of its annual gross revenues in Federal awards; and \$25,000,000 or more in annual gross revenues from Federal awards; and the public does not have access to this information about the compensation of the senior executives of the entity through periodic reports filed under section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. §§ 78m(a), 78o(d)) or section 6104 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.)

Control: Per 2 CFR section 200.303(a), a non-Federal entity must: Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should comply with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States or the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

Condition:

The Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health (Division) did not report required subaward information to FSRS for first-tier subawards of \$30,000 or more.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Context:

Eighteen subawards were selected for testing and the following exceptions were noted:

- 10 of 18 subawards were not reported to FSRS.
- 4 of 18 subawards was not reported timely to FSRS.
- 3 of 18 subawards were not reported correctly to FSRS. The total of these subawards was \$1,641,717, but \$11,861,226 was reported.

Of the exceptions noted above, two subawards were both reported untimely and incorrectly and are included in both categories.

Transactions Tested	Subaward not reported	Report not timely	Subaward amount incorrect	Subaward missing key elements
18	10	4	3	0
Dollar Amount of Tested Transactions	Subaward not reported	Report not timely	Subaward amount incorrect	Subaward missing key elements
\$15,338,125	\$10,713,115	\$4,765,170	\$1,641,717	\$0

Cause:

The Division's policies and procedures were not sufficient to ensure that required subaward information was reported accurately to FSRS no later than the end of the month following the date the subaward was issued. Internal controls did not prevent or detect the errors.

Effect:

Subawards were not reported to FSRS in accordance with FFATA requirements.

Questioned costs:

None noted.

Recommendation:

We recommend that the Division develop internal controls and procedures to ensure that FFATA reporting requirements are met. We further recommend the Division develop controls and procedures to ensure that all required subawards are reported accurately and timely to FSRS.

Views of responsible officials:

The Division will reevaluate its current process, implement proper controls for FFATA reporting standards, and ensure subawards are reviewed timely. In addition, staff will be assigned to verify information prior to being keyed into FSRS.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Reference Number: 2024-026 **Prior Year Finding:** 2023-008

Federal Agency: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

State Department Name: Department of Health and Social Services **State Division Name:** Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health

Federal Program: Block Grants for Substance Use Prevention, Treatment, and

Recovery Services, COVID-19 - Block Grants for Substance Use

Prevention, Treatment, and Recovery Services

Assistance Listing Number: 93.959

Award Number and Year: 1B08Tl085845 (10/1/2022 – 12/31/2024)

B08TI083979 (9/1/2021 – 12/31/2025) 21B1DESAP (3/15/2021 – 6/15/2024)

Compliance Requirement: Reporting – Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act

(FFATA)

Type of Finding: Material Weakness in Internal Control Over Compliance, Material

Noncompliance

Criteria or specific requirement:

Compliance: Per the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA), prime (direct) recipients of grants or cooperative agreements are required to report first-tier subawards of \$30,000 or more to the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act Subaward Reporting System (FSRS). Reports must be filed in FSRS by the end of the month following the month in which the prime recipient awards any sub-grant greater than or equal to \$30,000. If the initial award is below \$30,000 but subsequent grant modifications result in a total award equal to or over \$30,000, the award will be subject to the reporting requirements as of the date the award exceeds \$30,000. If the initial award equals or exceeds \$30,000 but funding is subsequently de-obligated such that the total award amount falls below \$30,000, the award continues to be subject to FFATA reporting requirements.

The following key data elements must be reported: Subawardee Name and Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number; Amount of Subaward (inclusive of modifications); Subaward Obligation/Action Date; Date of Report Submission; Subaward Number; Project Description; and Names and Compensation of Highly Compensated Officers. (Names and Compensation of Highly Compensated Officers must only be reported when the entity in the preceding fiscal year received 80 percent or more of its annual gross revenues in Federal awards; and \$25,000,000 or more in annual gross revenues from Federal awards; and the public does not have access to this information about the compensation of the senior executives of the entity through periodic reports filed under section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. §§ 78m(a), 78o(d)) or section 6104 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.)

Control: Per 2 CFR section 200.303(a), a non-Federal entity must: Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should comply with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States or the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Condition:

The Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health (Division) did not report required subaward information to FSRS for first-tier subawards of \$30,000 or more.

Context:

Seventeen subawards were selected for testing and the following exceptions were noted:

- 14 of 17 subawards were not reported to FSRS.
- 3 of 17 subawards was not reported timely to FSRS.
- 3 of 17 subawards were not reported correctly to FSRS. The total of these subawards was \$14,967,580, but \$55,138,498 was reported.

Of the exceptions noted above, two subawards were both reported untimely and incorrectly and are included in both categories.

Transactions Tested	Subaward not reported	Report not timely	Subaward amount incorrect	Subaward missing key elements
17	14	3	3	0
Dollar Amount of Tested Transactions	Subaward not reported	Report not timely	Subaward amount incorrect	Subaward missing key elements
\$24,011,570	\$19,754,951	\$4,256,619	\$14,967,580	\$0

Cause:

The Division's policies and procedures were not sufficient to ensure that required subaward information was reported accurately to FSRS no later than the end of the month following the date the subaward was issued. Internal controls did not prevent or detect the errors.

Effect:

Subawards were not reported to FSRS in accordance with FFATA requirements.

Questioned costs:

None noted.

Recommendation:

We recommend that the Division develop internal controls and procedures to ensure that FFATA reporting requirements are met. We further recommend the Division develop controls and procedures to ensure that all required subawards are reported accurately and timely to FSRS.

Views of responsible officials:

The Division will reevaluate its current process, implement proper controls for FFATA reporting standards, and ensure subawards are reviewed timely. In addition, staff will be assigned to verify information prior to being keyed into FSRS.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Reference Number: 2024-027 **Prior Year Finding:** 2023-010

Federal Agency: U.S. Department Homeland Security

State Department Name: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Federal Emergency

Management Agency (FEMA)

State Division Name: Delaware Emergency Management Agency (DEMA)

Federal Program: Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared

Disasters), COVID-19 - Disaster Grants - Public Assistance

(Presidentially Declared Disasters)

Assistance Listing Number: 97.036

Award Number and Year: 4526-DR-DE (2020-2024), 4566-DR-DE (2020-2024), 4627-DR-DE

(2021-2025)

Compliance Requirement: Reporting – Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act

(FFATA)

Type of Finding: Significant Deficiency in Internal Control Over Compliance, Other

Matters

Criteria or specific requirement:

Compliance: Per the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA), prime (direct) recipients of grants or cooperative agreements are required to report first-tier subawards of \$30,000 or more to the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act Subaward Reporting System (FSRS). Reports must be filed in FSRS by the end of the month following the month in which the prime recipient awards any sub-grant greater than or equal to \$30,000. If the initial award is below \$30,000 but subsequent grant modifications result in a total award equal to or over \$30,000, the award will be subject to the reporting requirements as of the date the award exceeds \$30,000. If the initial award equals or exceeds \$30,000 but funding is subsequently de-obligated such that the total award amount falls below \$30,000, the award continues to be subject to FFATA reporting requirements.

The following key data elements must be reported: Subawardee Name and Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number; Amount of Subaward (inclusive of modifications); Subaward Obligation/Action Date; Date of Report Submission; Subaward Number; Project Description; and Names and Compensation of Highly Compensated Officers. (Names and Compensation of Highly Compensated Officers must only be reported when the entity in the preceding fiscal year received 80 percent or more of its annual gross revenues in Federal awards; and \$30,000,000 or more in annual gross revenues from Federal awards; and the public does not have access to this information about the compensation of the senior executives of the entity through periodic reports filed under section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. §§ 78m(a), 78o(d)) or section 6104 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.)

Control: Per 2 CFR section 200.303(a), a non-Federal entity must: Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should comply with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States or the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Condition:

DEMA did not report subaward information to FSRS timely during FY2023.

Context:

Two of three subawards selected for testing were not reported to FSRS timely.

Transactions Tested	Subaward not reported	Report not timely	Subaward amount incorrect	Subaward missing key elements
3	0	2	0	0
Dollar Amount of Tested Transactions	Subaward not reported	Report not timely	Subaward amount incorrect	Subaward missing key elements
\$24,485,776	\$0	\$7,494,678	\$0	\$0

Cause:

DEMA's policies and procedures were not sufficient to ensure that subaward information was reported timely to FSRS. Internal controls did not prevent or detect the errors.

Effect:

Subawards were not reported to FSRS in accordance with FFATA requirements.

Questioned costs:

None noted.

Recommendation:

We recommend that DEMA enhance internal controls and procedures to ensure that all required subawards are reported timely to FSRS no later than the end of the month following the month of issuance.

Views of responsible officials:

In review of our timing for reporting subgrants, we discovered we were receiving the subawards for reporting more than 30 days after the award date due to the date of award having a back date to match the FEMA award or obligation date. Our reporting has improved to within 90 days of the subaward, some of which is timing issues with the date and when the award is issued versus when received for reporting. We have addressed this issue with the personnel that complete the subaward letters to meet the compliance issue of reporting within 30 days. We are also moving to a grant management software that will automatically notify us when subawards are active for reporting. New grants are being managed in the software to prevent these issues in the future.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Reference Number: 2024-028 **Prior Year Finding:** 2023-011

Federal Agency: U.S. Department Homeland Security

State Department Name: Department of Safety and Homeland Security, Federal Emergency

Management Agency (FEMA)

State Division Name: Delaware Emergency Management Agency (DEMA)

Federal Program: Disaster Grants - Public Assistance (Presidentially Declared

Disasters), COVID-19 – Disaster Grants – Public Assistance

(Presidentially Declared Disasters)

Assistance Listing Number: 97.036

Award Number and Year: 4526-DR-DE (2020-2024), 4566-DR-DE (2020-2024), 4627-DR-DE

(2021-2025)

Compliance Requirement: Subrecipient Monitoring

Type of Finding: Significant Deficiency in Internal Control Over Compliance, Other

Matters

Criteria or specific requirement:

Compliance: 2 CFR §200.332(a) - Requirements for Pass-Through Entities states, in part, that all pass-through entities must ensure that every subaward is clearly identified to the subrecipient as a subaward and includes information at the time of the subaward and if any of these data elements change, include the changes in subsequent subaward modification. When some of this information is not available, the pass-through entity must provide the best information available to describe the Federal award and subaward.

Control: Per 2 CFR Section 200.303(a), a non-Federal entity must: Establish and maintain effective internal control over the Federal award that provides reasonable assurance that the non-Federal entity is managing the Federal award in compliance with Federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of the Federal award. These internal controls should comply with guidance in "Standards for Internal Control in the Federal Government" issued by the Comptroller General of the United States or the "Internal Control Integrated Framework", issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO).

Condition:

DEMA did not furnish all required information to its subrecipients at the time of issuance of the subawards.

Context:

For five of five subrecipients, the Federal Award Identification (FAIN), was not provided to the subrecipient at the time of award issuance.

Questioned costs:

Undetermined

Cause:

DEMA did not establish effective internal controls and procedures over subrecipient monitoring.

Section III – Findings and Questioned Costs – Major Federal Programs (Continued)

Effect:

Excluding the required federal grant award information at the time of the subaward may cause subrecipients and their auditors to be uninformed about specific program and other regulations that apply to the funds they receive. There is also the potential for subrecipients to have incomplete Schedules of Expenditures of Federal Awards (SEFA) in their Single Audit reports, and federal funds may not be properly audited at the subrecipient level in accordance with the Uniform Guidance.

Recommendation:

DEMA should review and enhance internal controls and procedures to ensure that all required information is included in all subawards.

Views of responsible officials:

DEMA updated internal controls and procedures to address this previous finding. Subrecipients are notified of any funds awarded with award letters. When a project is amended, updated award letters have been issued. Following the initial finding, updated sub-award letters were issued to sub-recipients. All newly issued sub-award letters also contained the proper information as required by 2 CFR §200.332(a). The FAIN number has been listed as "Disaster" on each sub-award letter. In the future versions, "Disaster" will be replaced with "FAIN". In addition, DEMA's procedures have been updated, reviewed and approved/accepted by FEMA in DEMA's Public Assistance Administration Plan which is reviewed and updated annually.

