

Mission:

To protect, promote and improve the health of all people in Florida through integrated state, county and community efforts.



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Vision: To be the Healthiest State in the Nation

MEMORANDUM

Date: October 13, 2023

To: Antonio D. Dawkins, MPA, PMP, Deputy Secretary for Operations

From: Michael J. Bennett, CIA, CGAP, CIG, Inspector General *MJB*

Subject: R-2223-002 – Section 4 Attestation to Executive Order Number 20-044 – May 31, 2023

Executive Order Number 20-044 was issued in February 2020, explaining that each executive agency shall require from entities that meet certain requirements¹, an annual report, including the most recent Internal Revenue Service Form 990, *Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax*, detailing the total compensation for the entities' executive leadership team. In addition, contracted entities must agree, through appropriate contract and grant agreement amendment, to inform the executive agency of any changes in total executive compensation between the annual reports.

The Executive Office of the Governor issued Executive Memo Number 21-025 in March 2021, providing instructions that by May 31 each year, the agency head is to provide an attestation to the agency's Office of Inspector General (OIG).

The OIG has received the State Surgeon General's attestation dated June 21, 2023, that the Department of Health (Department) has:

- Amended all applicable contracts and grant agreements to comply with Section 4 of Executive Order Number 20-044 by requiring the submission of an annual report to the Department, including compensation information.
- Modified its internal contract and grant administration procedures to require this information from current and future agreements with entities that meet the criteria in Sections 1 and 4.

The OIG has reviewed the Department's attestation and related information and has verified the information for compliance with the Executive Order and Executive Memo.

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¹ Sole-source, public-private agreement and all entities that, through contract or other agreement, annually receive 50% or more of their budget from the State or from a combination of State and Federal funds.
