



June 29, 2022

Dodge County
Supervisor Bob Missel
427 N Birchwood
Fremont, NE 68025

RE: Opioid Litigation Settlements Payment Notices

Dear Supervisor Missel,

This letter is intended to update you regarding payments from the national opioid distributors settlement. In April, the District Court of Lancaster County entered a Final Consent Order approving the settlement agreement between the State of Nebraska and prescription drug distributors: McKesson, Cardinal Health, and AmerisourceBergen (collectively referred to as the "distributors"). This settlement agreement can be read in its entirety at <https://nationalopioidsettlement.com>. As you recall, we notified you last fall of the need to sign-on to this agreement in order to receive your annual "direct share". Thanks to your participation, both the State of Nebraska and all eligible participating subdivisions in Nebraska will receive the maximum amount possible under the terms of the distributors settlement agreement.

Under the terms of the settlement agreement, the political subdivision share is 15% of the total annual disbursement from the national administrator for each state. The state is also to receive 15%. The remaining 70% is allocated to a designated fund for the "abatement" of opioid addiction or opioid misuse and other co-occurring mental health or substance abuse issues. In Nebraska, the state's 15% share is automatically added to Nebraska's dedicated abatement fund, known as the "Opioid Recovery Fund", according to the Opioid Prevention and Treatment Act passed in 2020 and found at Neb. Rev. Stat. §§71-2485 to 71-2490. The direct share percentage for each participating subdivision in Nebraska is found in "Exhibit G" of each settlement agreement which is accessible on the nationalopioidsettlement.com website.

Participating subdivisions will receive their direct share as well as to be eligible to receive any additional distribution or grant from the state's share. The Nebraska Opioid Settlement Remediation Advisory Committee has been meeting monthly since April and is the body charged with determining grant criteria from Nebraska's Opioid Recovery Fund. This Advisory Committee is required by the settlement agreement and is comprised of twenty-four members including six members appointed by the League and six members appointed by NACO. More

information about the Advisory Committee and its meetings can be found at <https://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/Opioid-Settlement-Workgroup.aspx>.

In May, the national opioid settlement administrator was selected by the executive committee of states. That national settlement administrator, referred to as the "Directing Administrator" is Brown Greer PLC. In the coming weeks Brown Greer will send a notice via email to all participating cities and counties with instructions for setting up receipt of your city's or county's direct share. You will receive your direct share after fifty (50) days from the receipt of the email notice. In accordance with Section V.D.3 of the settlement agreement, Brown Greer's notice will also provide information as to how to redirect your direct share. There are two options to reallocate your direct share: one is to another participating city or county, the other is by reallocating your share to the Nebraska Opioid Recovery Fund. If you choose to reallocate your direct share to the Opioid Recovery Fund, then your full direct share will be accounted for in the required regional allocation to your respective behavioral health region. If your city or county wishes to reallocate their direct share you must inform Brown Greer via email within twenty-one (21) days of receipt of the email notice. If you are one of the handful of counties that did not complete your sign-on in January, you may complete that process by logging onto <https://nationalopioidsettlement.com> with the registration code you were previously provided. Please note that the email notice from Brown Greer will be sent to the email address of the person designated as the authorized official for your city or county when you "signed-on" to the settlement agreements last December and January. Specific questions with regard to your direct share can be addressed by emailing DirectingAdministrator@NationalOpioidOfficialSettlement.com or Brown Greer's dedicated Case Manager for Nebraska, Mr. Tjuan Faulcon, at tfaulcon@browngreer.com or by calling 1-888-441-2010. We appreciate your patience and continued participation. Any questions can be directed to the undersigned.

Sincerely,
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