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To: Department Heads, Chief Financial Officers
FROM: Kristin Walker, State Budget Director *Kristin Walker*
RE: Federal Executive Orders on Financial Assistance Programs

President Trump has issued a series of Executive Orders (EOs) affecting federal financial assistance programs and related matters. In response to these EOs, on January 27, 2025, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) issued a [memo](#) to federal agencies directing them to “temporarily pause all activities related to obligation or disbursement of all federal financial assistance.” That memo has now been rescinded. However, the White House has expressed that the EOs still stand.

Due to the impact of federal financial assistance on North Carolina’s state budget and the continued uncertainty regarding this funding, OSBM requests agencies’ cooperation in monitoring this ongoing situation. In conjunction with the now rescinded memo, OMB provided a [list](#), available in Federal Funds Information for the States (FFIS), of the programs that it identified as being implicated by the President’s recent Executive Orders. We ask that you review this list and continue to communicate with your OSBM Budget Execution analyst on federal portal or related funding issues.

Further, we request that state agencies select a point-of-contact (POC) who can serve as the main liaison with OSBM on federal funding issues. **All agencies should email the name and contact information for their identified POC to [Jonathan Meyer by 10:00 am Thursday, January 30.](#)**

OSBM will host a virtual convening on Thursday, January 30th at 11:00 a.m. to share our understanding of this directive’s effect, initial guidance, and answer any questions we can at this early juncture. All recipients of this memo should receive an invite to this meeting today. Email [Jonathan Meyer](#) with follow-up questions.

We appreciate your continued professionalism and partnership as we navigate these uncertain times.