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✓	38GL-26-2047	Guam Memorial Hospital Authority	Notification of Temporary Assignment or Detail – Ryan Mateo Mantanona, Chief of Security, 02/9/26.
✓	38GL-26-2048	Guam Department of Education	Request for Approval of Emergency to Procure Speech Language Pathology, Occupational Therapy, and Physical Therapy Services for Special Education Students within the Guam Department of Education, Charter Schools, and Private Schools Under Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.
✓	38GL-26-2049	Department of Public Health and Social Services	Prior Year Obligations to pay Kloppenburg Enterprises, Inc. in the total amount of \$22,626.22; to pay S.H. Enterprises, Inc. in the total amount of \$11,636.00*
✓	38GL-26-2050	Department of Public Works	This is a Transmittal to I Liheslaturan Guåhan of Proposed Rules and Regulations pursuant to the Administrative Adjudication Law Requesting for Approval of the Proposed Updates to the Guam Department of Public Works Right of Way Manual.
✓	38GL-26-2051	Department of Agriculture	Prior Year Obligations to pay Guam Solid Waste Authority in the total amount of \$3,032.16; to pay ERC Hardware Express in the total amount of \$387.45*
✓	38GL-26-2052	Department of Public Health and Social Services	Guam Board of Barbering and Cosmetology Board Meeting Packet for March 9, 2026*
✓	38GL-26-2053	Public Defender Service Corporation - Government of Guam	Board of Trustees Meeting Packet for March 10, 2026*
✓	38GL-26-2054	Department of Public Works	Prior Year Obligations to pay Xerox Corporation in the total amount of \$436.29*
✓	38GL-26-2055	Department of Public Health and Social Services	Guam Board of Nurse Examiners Regular Board Meeting Packet for March 12, 2026*

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38GL-26-2048	Guam Department of Education	Request for Approval of Emergency to Procure Speech Language Pathology, Occupational Therapy, and Physical Therapy Services for Special Education Students within the Guam Department of Education, Charter Schools, and Private Schools Under Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.
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*Håfa Adai,*

Received, and thank you.

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March 11, 2026

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38GL-26-2048  
OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER  
FRANK F. BLAS JR.

MAR 11 2026  
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As required by Guam Procurement Law, please see attached certified copy of Certificate of Emergency to Procure Speech Language Pathology, Occupational Therapy, and Physical Therapy Services to Special Education Students Within the Guam Department of Education, Charter Schools, and Private Schools Necessary to Comply with Federal and Local Laws Requiring GDOE to Provide Essential Related Services to Our Island Schoolchildren with Disabilities.

I certify that this is a true and correct copy of the original document of the Certificate of Emergency Re: Speech Language Pathology, Occupational Therapy, and Physical Therapy Services for Special Education Students within The Guam Department of Education, Charter Schools, and Private Schools under Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.

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March 11, 2026

**HONORABLE LOURDES LEON GUERRERO**

Governor of Guam  
Ricardo J. Bordallo Complex  
513 West Marine Corps Drive  
Hagatna, Guam 96910

**RE: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF EMERGENCY TO PROCURE SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY, OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, AND PHYSICAL THERAPY SERVICES FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS WITHIN THE GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, CHARTER SCHOOLS, AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS UNDER PART B OF THE INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES EDUCATION ACT**

*Hafa Adai* Governor Leon Guerrero,

Pursuant to Title 5 of the Guam Code Annotated (“GCA”) Section 5215 and on behalf of the Guam Department of Education (“GDOE”), I am respectfully requesting your review and approval of the Certificate of Emergency to Procure Speech Language Pathology, Occupational Therapy, and Physical Therapy Services to Special Education Students within the Guam Department of Education, Charter Schools, and Private Schools necessary to comply with Federal and Local Laws Requiring GDOE to Provide Essential Related Services to Our Island Schoolchildren with Disabilities.

Please find attached the Certificate of Emergency and its respective Determination of Need. Please be advised that funding for this procurement will be provided through Federal Funds – GL Account Nos. 220.50.000.023000.25.2100.13.95160, 220.50.000.023000.25.2100.13.95120, and 220.50.000.023000.24.2100.13.95220. The emergency procurement of the aforementioned Speech Language Pathology, Occupational Therapy, and Physical Therapy Services to Special Education Students within the Guam Department of Education, Charter Schools, and Private Schools is critical in GDOE’s efforts to comply with federal and Guam law and to properly address the health, welfare, continuity of services, and educational rights of our island schoolchildren with disabilities. *Dangkulu na Si Yu’os Ma’ase* for your immediate attention to this matter.

*Senseramente,*

**JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.**  
Acting Superintendent of Education

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GDOE's request for approval of emergency procurement is hereby:

[  ] **APPROVED**

[  ] **DISAPPROVED**

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**LOURDES LEON GUERRERO**

Governor of Guam

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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## CERTIFICATE OF EMERGENCY TO PROCURE SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY, OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, AND PHYSICAL THERAPY SERVICES FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS WITHIN THE GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, CHARTER SCHOOLS, AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS UNDER PART B OF THE INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES EDUCATION ACT

WHEREAS, the Organic Act of Guam, at Title 48 United States Code Section (§) 1421(g), requires the Government of Guam to establish, maintain and operate an adequate public education system; and

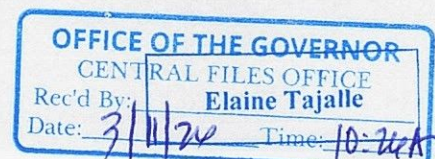
WHEREAS, the Legislature enacted P.L. 27-17, subsequently codified as Title 17 Guam Code Annotated (“GCA”) Section (“§”) 9101, requiring that it is and shall be the duty of the various divisions and schools of the Guam Department of Education (“GDOE”) to make available a free appropriate public education (“FAPE”) to all children with disabilities residing on Guam between the ages of birth through twenty-one (21) (inclusive) including children with disabilities who have been suspended or expelled; and

WHEREAS, 17 GCA § 9101 further requires that this Section and all other sections shall be in conformity with the federal law as set forth under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (“IDEA”), codified as Title 20 United States Code (“USC”) § 1400 et seq., as well as its amendments, implementing regulations, and all other laws and regulations relating to the education of children with disabilities, including Part B under the IDEA which applies to elementary school, middle school and high school students; and

WHEREAS, GDOE is obligated by federal law under Part B of the IDEA and local law under P.L. 27-17 (codified in Title 17 GCA Chapter 9) to provide all related services specified in the Individualized Education Program (“IEP”) of our island schoolchildren with disabilities who have been identified as eligible for special education and related services and further identified as having a need for specially designed instruction; and

WHEREAS, these special education related services, which include speech language pathology therapy (“Speech Therapy”), occupational therapy (“OT”), and physical therapy (“PT”), are essential to comply with federal and local laws in ensuring that students with disabilities receive FAPE and have equitable access to the general education curriculum, as required under Part B of the IDEA; and

WHEREAS, GDOE procured a small purchase for essential OT services required under Part B of the IDEA through Purchase Order No. 2050241 from October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025 for the amount of Two Hundred Sixty-Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty-Nine Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$269,769.50); and further procured a small purchase for essential Speech Therapy services required under Part B of the IDEA through Purchase Order No. 20241730 from October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025 for the amount of One Hundred Ninety-Six Thousand One Hundred Ninety-Six Dollars (\$196,196.00); and



**WHEREAS**, GDOE executed a renewal for the small purchase of essential OT services required under Part B of the IDEA through Purchase No. 20251137, thereby extending such OT services for an additional one (1) year from October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026; and further executed a renewal for the small purchase of essential Speech Therapy services required under Part B of the IDEA through Purchase Order No. 20251135, thereby extending such Speech Therapy services for an additional one (1) year from October 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026; and

**WHEREAS**, the sole Physical Therapist providing PT services to our students with disabilities as required under Part B of the IDEA retired on January 8, 2026 exacerbating the service gap and directly impeding the Department's ability to provide PT services to our island schoolchildren with disabilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the funds projected to cover an additional 12 months of essential OT and Speech Therapy services for our island schoolchildren, required under Part B of the IDEA and pursuant to the respective renewals through September 30, 2026, were exhausted in 5 months; and

**WHEREAS**, the exhaustion of projected funds was due to the demand for Speech Therapy and OT doubling in the past 12 months; and

**WHEREAS**, GDOE had already been subject to a critical shortage of Speech Language Pathologists, Occupational Therapists and Physical Therapists available on island as required under Part B of the IDEA; and

**WHEREAS**, this unchanged shortage of Speech Language Pathologists, Occupational Therapists, and Physical Therapists as required under Part B of the IDEA has given rise to an immediate and critical need to secure Speech Therapy, OT, and PT providers to prevent an interruption in students' services and compliance with federal and local laws; and

**WHEREAS**, the scope of harm to students whose services are paused or discontinued are as follows:

#### **OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY SERVICES NOT DELIVERED UNDER PART B**

- 512 students with disabilities across GDOE public schools
- 10 students in charter schools
- 11 students in private schools

#### **SPEECH THERAPY SERVICES NOT DELIVERED UNDER PART B**

- 219 students with disabilities across GDOE public schools
- 46 students with disabilities in charter schools
- 18 students with disabilities in private schools

#### **PHYSICAL THERAPY SERVICES NOT DELIVERED UNDER PART B**

- 90 students with disabilities across GDOE public schools

- 1 student with disabilities in charter schools
- 1 student with disabilities in private schools

**WHEREAS**, continued disruption to these federally and locally mandated related services threatens to harm the immediate and long-term health and welfare of our island schoolchildren with disabilities and their families, as each student's educational progress, functional development, and ability to access educational instruction is directly impacted by services not delivered and may lead to decline;

**WHEREAS**, due to the imminent threat to our students' health, welfare, and continuity of services, and because of GDOE's clear and continual obligation to protect the educational rights of our island schoolchildren with disabilities, emergency procurement is reasonably justified; and

**WHEREAS**, the requested emergency procurement amounts are as follows:

- Speech Language Pathology Services: \$248,000.00  
(GL Account No. 220.50.000.023000.25.2100.13.95160)
  - Occupational Therapy Services: \$250,000.00  
(GL Account No. 220.50.000.023000.25.2100.13.95120)
  - Physical Therapy Services: \$100,000.00  
(GL Account No. 220.50.000.023000.24.2100.13.95220)
- Total Emergency Procurement Request: \$598,000.00

**WHEREAS**, approval of this emergency procurement will allow the Guam Department of Education to continue delivering essential health and education-related services and ensure compliance with the mandates of federal law under Part B of the IDEA and local law under Title 17 GCA Chapter 9; and

**WHEREAS**, prompt intervention and approval are respectfully requested to address this critical state of emergency for our island schoolchildren with disabilities so that they are able to receive the support and services necessary for their health, welfare, and academic and functional success.

**NOW THEREFORE**, based on the aforementioned laws and the dire need for the emergency procurement of Speech Language Pathology, Occupational Therapy, and Physical Therapy Services for Students within the Guam Department of Education, Charter Schools and Private Schools, which are required under Part B of the IDEA and which are critical to providing the support and services necessary for the health, welfare, and academic and functional success of our island schoolchildren with disabilities, I, JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D., certify that the Guam Department of Education is in a state of emergency due to the circumstances described above and that such emergency jeopardizes the functioning of the Department and presents a threat to our students' health, welfare, continuity of services, and educational rights; and

**FURTHERMORE**, pursuant to 5 GCA § 5215(b)(2), I, JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D., as indicated above and herein, expressly incorporate by reference the entire unaltered contents of the appended Determination of Need for the Emergency Procurement of Speech Language Pathology, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy Services for Special Education Students within the Guam Department of Education, Charter Schools, and Private Schools, which are required under Part B of the

IDEA and which are necessary for the health, welfare, and academic and functional success of our island schoolchildren with disabilities. and I affirm that the contents of the Determination of Need for Emergency Procurement are true, correct, and complete to my best, informed knowledge, and good faith belief; and

**FURTHERMORE**, upon the approval of the Governor and pursuant to 5 GCA § 5215, I authorize the emergency procurement of Speech Language Pathology, Occupational Therapy, and Physical Therapy Services for Special Education Students within the Guam Department of Education, Charter Schools, and Private Schools as necessary for a period of **90 days** to ensure and safeguard the health, welfare, and academic and functional success of our island schoolchildren with disabilities. See 5 GCA § 5215(e). Such emergency procurement shall be made in accordance with applicable procurement law and regulations; and

**IN CONCLUSION**, pursuant to 5 GCA § 5215 and under penalty of perjury, I certify that the facts stated above are true to the best of my knowledge and that this statement of emergency is not being used solely for the purpose of avoiding the provisions of Article 3 of the Guam Procurement Law at Title 5 GCA Chapter 5.



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**JUDITH T. WON PAT, ED.D.**  
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## **DETERMINATION OF NEED FOR THE EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT OF SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY, OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY, AND PHYSICAL THERAPY SERVICES FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES WITHIN THE GUAM DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, CHARTER SCHOOLS, AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS UNDER PART B OF THE INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES EDUCATION ACT**

Pursuant to Title 5 of the Guam Code Annotated ("GCA") Section ("§") 5215(c), I, JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D., hereby certify that there exists an emergency and imminent threat to the public health, welfare, or safety of Guam's schoolchildren.

1. With factual particularity, the nature and apparent cause of the condition posing an imminent threat to public health, welfare, or safety, or the health and safety of the environment is:

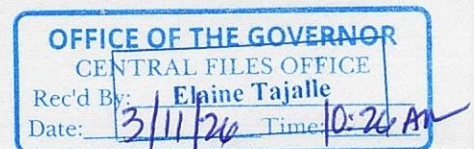
The condition posing an imminent threat to health and welfare of our island schoolchildren is the immediate and ongoing interruption of Speech & Language Pathology (Speech Therapy), Occupational Therapy (OT), and Physical Therapy (PT) services for students with disabilities enrolled in the Guam Department of Education (GDOE), Charter Schools, and Private Schools, which are required under Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). These therapy services are mandated related services under Part B of the IDEA, as well as local law, and are required to be delivered as specified in each student's Individualized Education Program (IEP). At present, a significant number of students are not receiving these services due to a sudden and substantial gap in available providers.

The apparent causes of this condition are multiple and occurred within a short period of time. First, the most recent purchase order for OT and Speech Therapy services required under Part B of the IDEA was developed using historical trend data that underestimated the actual service demand. While funding had been projected to sustain services for a twelve-month period, the higher-than expected service utilization exhausted available funds within approximately five months. Actual service demand for Speech Therapy and OT services has been approximately double the project volume, resulting in an immediate funding and service delivery shortfall.

Second, the sole Physical Therapist providing PT services to our students with disabilities as required under Part B of the IDEA retired on January 8, 2026, exacerbating the service gap and directly impeding the Department's ability to provide PT services to our island schoolchildren with disabilities.

Third, workforce constraints have further limited the Department's ability to quickly secure replacement providers. There is a nationwide shortage on Speech, Occupational, and Physical Therapists and Guam faces additional recruitment challenges due to its smaller labor market and geographic limitations. These factors significantly reduce the immediate availability of qualified providers.

As a result of these combined circumstances, students with disabilities being served under the Part B Program are currently not receiving OT, Speech Therapy, and PT services as required by their IEPs. The interruption of these mandated services creates a direct risk of developmental regression, stalled educational progress, and long-term adverse outcomes for affected students. Because these services are integral to students' access to education and functional development, the ongoing gap presents an imminent threat to the welfare of these students and exposes GDOE to immediate compliance risks under federal special education law and Guam law.



For these reasons, emergency procurement of therapy providers is necessary to restore critical related services and prevent further harm to students while a standard procurement process is being conducted for long-term service continuity.

2. Which could not have been foreseen through the use of reasonable and prudent management procedures because:

The circumstances leading to the current interruption of OT, Speech Therapy, and PT services required under Part B of the IDEA could not be reasonably foreseen through prudent management procedures due to several factors that were outside the Guam Department of Education's reasonable ability to predict or control.

First, the most recent purchase order for OT and Speech Therapy services required under Part B of the IDEA was developed using historical utilization trends and standard forecasting methods. At the time the purchase order was issued, projected funding levels were expected to sustain services for approximately 12 months, based on prior service delivery patterns. However, actual service demand increased significantly beyond historical trends, resulting in utilization rates that were approximately double what had been projected. Additionally, there has been an influx of students being referred for evaluation under Part B of the IDEA and subsequently found eligible for OT services, further increasing the demand for OT services beyond projected levels. These factors caused the allocated funds to be exhausted within approximately five months rather than the anticipated 12-month period.

Second, the Department experienced unexpected losses of critical speech pathologist personnel. The GDOE Division of Special Education Part B Program lost two speech therapists to relocation and a third therapist retired in September 2025. Additionally, the Part B Program's sole physical therapist retired on January 8, 2026 further reducing the available pool of qualified professionals able to deliver required services to students. While the Department actively recruits for an occupational therapist, physical therapist, and more speech therapists, there have been no applicants for these positions and these positions remain "continuous until filled." Guam faces additional recruitment challenges for Allied Health Professionals due to its geographic location and limited local workforce pool.

While overall student enrollment has declined, the demand for special education services has increased by approximately 10 percent over the past two years. This growth in special education needs, combined with the influx of students being referred and determined eligible for services, contributed directly to the accelerated utilization and early depletion of therapy service contracts.

Because these circumstances involve an unexpected surge in service demand, the unforeseen loss of multiple therapy providers due to retirement and relocation, and broader labor market constraints, the resulting service gap could not have been reasonably foreseen through prudent management and planning procedures.

3. The emergency procurement cannot be addressed by other procurement methods of source selection because:

This emergency procurement cannot be addressed through other procurement methods of source selection because the time required to complete a standard procurement process would result in continued interruption of Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy, and Physical Therapy services that are required under students' Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) and as further required under Part B of the IDEA. These services are federally mandated and locally mandated related services, and delays in securing providers would prolong the period during which students with disabilities are not receiving required supports.

Under standard procurement methods, including competitive sealed bidding or competitive sealed proposals, the process requires multiple procedural steps, including development of a full solicitation package, public advertisement, proposal preparation time for vendor evaluation, evaluation of submissions, negotiation where applicable, and contract award. These processes require a significant amount of time to complete and cannot be executed quickly enough to address the immediate service gap currently affecting students.

At present, GDOE does not have sufficient internal staffing or contracted providers to meet the therapy service needs of eligible students. Additionally, the demand for therapy services has increased significantly due to a rise in special education needs and an influx of students requiring these specific related services.

Because students are not currently receiving these services required by their IEPs under Part B, the Department must act immediately to secure qualified providers. Utilizing standard procurement methods would result in prolonged delays that would extend the interruption of services, increase the risk of student regression and loss of educational benefit, and heighten the Department's exposure to noncompliance with federal special education requirements, including the potential for corrective actions, compensatory services, and legal challenges.

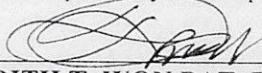
For these reasons, emergency procurement is necessary to allow the GDOE to immediately secure qualified therapy providers for a limited period of time, not to exceed ninety (90) days, while a standard procurement process is conducted concurrently to ensure long-term service continuity.

4. This threat is imminent, and this emergency procurement authorized by Guam procurement law is necessary, without delay, to protect the public health, welfare, or safety, or the health and safety of the environment because:

Our students with disabilities who are served by GDOE are currently experiencing immediate disruptions in occupational therapy, Speech Therapy, and physical therapy services that are required under their IEPs. These services are federally mandated under IDEA and locally mandated under Guam law and are necessary to ensure that students receive a Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE). The absence of these services places students at risk of regression in critical development and educational skills, stalled progress toward IEP goals, and long-term adverse outcomes affecting their educational access and overall well-being.

Given the immediate disruption to mandated special education services and the risk of harm to students with disabilities, emergency procurement is necessary under Guam Procurement Law (5 GCA § 5215) to quickly secure qualified therapy providers and restore service delivery. The proposed emergency procurement will be limited to the minimum period necessary – no more than ninety (90) days of services – while the Department simultaneously initiates a standard procurement process to ensure long-term continuity of services.

5. I affirm solemnly, under the penalty of perjury, that the emergency procurement of supplies, services, or emergency construction works, in the face of the emergency described, is not being used and will not be used, directly or indirectly, to avoid other methods of source selection or the purposes and policies of Guam procurement law, that this Determination of Need shall be copied and appended to its respective Declaration of Emergency or Certificate of Emergency, as described in 5 GCA § 5215(b), and further attached to and made a part of any contract, or Notice of Award made or given; and be a material part of the procurement record required by Guam procurement law.

  
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**JUDITH T. WON PAT, ED.D.**  
Acting Superintendent of Education

3-11-26  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date