

Program 040

DSHS - Developmental Disabilities

Recommendation Summary

Dollars in Thousands

	Annual FTEs	General Fund State	Other Funds	Total Funds
2011-13 Expenditure Authority	3,414.9	1,012,678	914,045	1,926,723
Supplemental Changes				
Critical Community Placements		1,337	1,284	2,621
Forecast Cost/Utilization		8,959	11,324	20,283
Eliminate State-Only Employment	(2.4)	(9,162)		(9,162)
Close Rainier School #	(38.9)	(6,137)	10,286	4,149
Residential Services Reductions		(11,600)	(11,600)	(23,200)
Funding for Initiative 1163		2,861	2,186	5,047
Increase Community Resource for Housing		1,767		1,767
Reduce Instruction and Support		(2,276)	(2,276)	(4,552)
Reduce Agency Provider Rate		(1,496)	(1,496)	(2,992)
Reform Medicaid Waivers		(6,325)	(6,325)	(12,650)
Transfers	(182.3)	1,738	1,656	3,394
Utilization of Residential Services		868	4,533	5,401
Transition High School Clients		376	376	752
Eliminate Unfunded Positions	(157.0)			
Suspend Individual and Family Services	(7.1)	(8,425)		(8,425)
Recover Adult Family Home Cost			315	315
Federal Funds Technical Adjustment				
Change Eligibility Requirements		(4,434)		(4,434)
Increase Crisis Stabilization	19.2	1,455	969	2,424
Technical Corrections		(10,000)		(10,000)
Workers' Compensation Changes		(832)	(359)	(1,191)
Mandatory Caseload Adjustments		434	435	869
Mandatory Workload Adjustments	5.9	614	409	1,023
Reduce PEBB Funding Rate from \$850 to \$825		(918)	(75)	(993)
Subtotal - Supplemental Changes	(362.6)	(41,196)	11,642	(29,554)
Total Proposed Budget	3,052.3	971,482	925,687	1,897,169
Difference	(362.6)	(41,196)	11,642	(29,554)
Percent Change	(10.6)%	(4.1)%	1.3%	(1.5)%

SUPPLEMENTAL CHANGES

Critical Community Placements

Funding is provided for 35 out-of-home community residential placements for individuals with developmental disabilities in crisis that have been identified as aging out of the Children's Administration or being released from a state institution such as the Department of Corrections, the Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration, or a psychiatric hospital. (General Fund-State, General Fund-Federal)

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Forecast Cost/Utilization

This item makes expenditure adjustments to reflect changes in the utilization of personal care services within the Division of Developmental Disabilities. (General Fund-State, General Fund-Federal)

Eliminate State-Only Employment

Funding is eliminated this biennium for 488 state-only employment and day clients. This reduction will affect the ability of these individuals with developmental disabilities to obtain job training, placement, and support services.

Close Rainier School #

The Department of Social and Health Services will close the Rainier School Residential Habilitation Center (RHC). Current residents will have the option to move to another RHC or to a community alternative. Savings will be maximized by leveraging the Roads to Community Living federal grant program that provides an enhanced federal match to transition institutional clients into the community. Funding is also provided to enhance quality assurance and to provide new crisis stabilization and community respite capacity. (General Fund-State, General Fund-Federal, General Fund-Private/Local, State Efficiency and Restructuring Account-State)

Residential Services Reductions

Rates are reduced approximately 6.5 percent for community residential providers, who serve 3,800 clients with developmental disabilities each month. (General Fund-State, General Fund-Federal)

Funding for Initiative 1163

Initiative 1163 was approved by voters in the 2011 election. It requires increased mandatory training, additional background checks, and certification for long-term care workers beginning January 7, 2012. Administrative costs are capped and performance audits with additional fraud investigators are required. (General Fund-State, General Fund-Federal)

Increase Community Resource for Housing

Savings from the elimination of the Housing and Essential Needs program will be redirected to provide housing support and services for 258 Division of Developmental Disabilities and Long-Term Care clients who would lose their current residential placement as a result of eligibility changes. The Department of Social and Health Services and the Department of Commerce will work collaboratively to maintain the housing capacity to support this population.

Reduce Instruction and Support

Instruction and support services are reduced by 2 percent. Community residential services offer instruction and support to persons who live in their own homes in the community. Supports may vary from a few hours per month up to 24 hours per day of one-to-one support. (General Fund-State, General Fund-Local)

Reduce Agency Provider Rate

Homecare agency provider reimbursement rates are reduced from \$19.72 to \$18.72 per hour. Homecare agencies assist more than 12,000 clients per month with activities such as bathing, dressing, eating, meal preparation, housework, and travel to medical appointments. These services are provided in the person's own home. (General Fund-State, General Fund-Federal)

Reform Medicaid Waivers

Service reforms are made to the developmental disabilities Medicaid waivers. The Basic and Basic Plus waivers are consolidated into one waiver. The combined Basic/Basic Plus waiver will implement a flexible service delivery method to allow clients to select their own mix of services within an allocated amount. The Employment & Day programs is reduced by 15 percent. (General Fund-State, General Fund-Federal)

Transfers

The Department of Social and Health Services will shift FTEs and funding among programs to better align staff and funds with the programs where the costs are incurred. The net impact is zero.

Utilization of Residential Services

Funding is provided to address greater utilization of Division of Developmental Disabilities residential services in Adult Supported Living, Child Supported Living, Group Homes, Community Protection, and Intermediate Care for the Mentally Retarded. (General Fund-State, General Fund-Federal)

Transition High School Clients

Funding is provided for employment programs for high school graduates who receive Medicaid waiver services and who will be turning 21 years of age. (General Fund-State, General Fund-Federal)

Eliminate Unfunded Positions

One hundred fifty-seven unfunded staff positions are eliminated. There are no assumed savings since funding was never provided for these positions.

Suspend Individual and Family Services

Participation of families enrolled in the Individual and Family Services program will be suspended beginning in January 2012. (General Fund-State, General Fund-Federal)

Recover Adult Family Home Cost

Adult Family Home (AFH) license fees are adjusted in order to fully cover the costs of AFH oversight, thereby eliminating the State General Fund subsidy for licensing activities. (General Fund-Federal, General Fund-Private/Local)

Federal Funds Technical Adjustment

Technical adjustments are made to accurately reflect expected types of federal earnings in the 2012 supplemental budget. (General Fund-Federal)

Change Eligibility Requirements

Eligibility for the Medicaid Personal Care program will require the same level of care standard as nursing facility clients. This change will result in 1,300 of the least acute long-term care and developmental disabilities clients losing personal care services. In addition, eligibility will be restricted for developmental disabilities institution and Medicaid waiver services, resulting in approximately 340 clients losing services.

Increase Crisis Stabilization

Chapter 50, Laws of 2011 authorized the Department of Social and Health Services to use savings from the closure of the Frances Haddon Morgan Center to address the needs of clients with developmental disabilities who are in crisis or in need of respite. In order to further expedite and strengthen the home and community-based system, additional funding is provided for community crisis stabilization capacity in addition to the funds available from the Frances Haddon Morgan Center closure. (General Fund-State, General Fund-Federal)

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Technical Corrections

Technical corrections are made throughout the Department of Social and Health Services.

Mandatory Caseload Adjustments

Adjustments are made to expenditures associated with personal care caseload changes in the November 2011 Developmental Disabilities forecast produced by the Caseload Forecast Council. Personal care services help people with developmental disabilities live in community settings and, whenever possible, to remain in a family environment. (General Fund-State, General Fund-Federal)

Mandatory Workload Adjustments

This item funds established client-to-staff ratios which increase with growth in the Developmental Disabilities Division caseload. (General Fund-State, General Fund-Federal)