

State of Alaska FY2005 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Health and Social Services Hearings and Appeals Component Budget Summary

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Component: Hearings and Appeals

Contribution to Department's Mission

Health Care Services (HCS) is a new division and a new RDU in FY2004. The Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS) restructure placed certain Medicaid categories of service financed and managed by the Division of Medical Assistance with certain Maternal and Child Family Health services provided and managed by the Division of Public Health. The mission of the former Division of Medical Assistance *"to maintain access to health care and to provide health coverage for Alaskans in need"* continues to accurately state the mission of the collective Division of Health Care Services.

Core Services

Health care facility appeals of Medicaid payment rates and audit findings are formal hearings governed by the Administrative Procedure Act, AS 44.62.330 et seq. These hearings are conducted by a hearing examiner with the qualifications specified in AS 44.62.350, which requires that a hearing officer be unbiased, impartial, experienced in the general practice of law, and admitted to practice law for at least two years immediately preceding appointment. After receiving the evidence and arguments, the hearing examiner prepares a proposed decision for submission to the Commissioner. The Commissioner's decision is the final administrative action and may be appealed to Superior Court.

Client appeals of actions by the Division of Public Assistance and the Division of Medical Assistance are adjudicated in fair hearings mandated by a number of federal and state regulations. A fair hearing may be requested concerning one or more of the following programs: Adult Public Assistance, Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), Food Stamps, Medicaid, General Relief, Energy Assistance, Job Opportunities and Basic Skills Training Program, and the Employment and Training Program. The fair hearing is an informal proceeding adjudicated by a hearing officer classified as a Public Assistance Program Officer. The hearing officer's decision may be appealed by the client to the Division Director. The Director's decision is the final administrative action and is subject to appeal to the Superior Court.

FY2005 Resources Allocated to Achieve Results

FY2005 Component Budget: \$491,600	Personnel:	
	Full time	5
	Part time	0
	Total	5

Key Component Challenges

Please see Health Care Services DRU key component challenges.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2005

There are no changes to the level of services provided.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2003

Please see Health Care Services RDU accomplishments.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

Alaska Statutes:
AS 47.07 Medical Assistance for Needy Persons

AS 47.08 Assistance for Catastrophic Illness and Chronic or Acute Medical Conditions
AS 47.25 Public Assistance

Social Security Act:
Title XVIII Medicare
Title XIX Medicaid
Title XXI Children's Health Insurance Program

Administrative Code:
7 AAC 43 Medicaid
7 AAC 48 Chronic and Acute Medical Assistance

Code of Federal Regulations:
Title 42 CFR Part 400 to End

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Hearings and Appeals Component Financial Summary

All dollars shown in thousands

	FY2003 Actuals	FY2004 Authorized	FY2005 Governor
Non-Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	323.2	313.1	424.9
72000 Travel	0.8	2.8	2.6
73000 Contractual	28.6	48.7	54.7
74000 Supplies	1.9	3.9	9.4
75000 Equipment	0.0	0.0	0.0
76000 Land/Buildings	0.0	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Claims	0.0	0.0	0.0
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenditure Totals	354.5	368.5	491.6
Funding Sources:			
1002 Federal Receipts	148.0	193.9	255.4
1003 General Fund Match	179.9	173.0	225.7
1004 General Fund Receipts	26.6	1.6	10.5
Funding Totals	354.5	368.5	491.6

Estimated Revenue Collections

Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2003 Actuals	FY2004 Authorized	FY2005 Governor
<u>Unrestricted Revenues</u>				
None.		0.0	0.0	0.0
Unrestricted Total		0.0	0.0	0.0
<u>Restricted Revenues</u>				
Federal Receipts	51010	148.0	193.9	255.4
Restricted Total		148.0	193.9	255.4
Total Estimated Revenues		148.0	193.9	255.4

**Summary of Component Budget Changes
From FY2004 Authorized to FY2005 Governor**

All dollars shown in thousands

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2004 Authorized	174.6	193.9	0.0	368.5
Adjustments which will continue current level of service:				
-Transfer funding for estimated cost of hearings officer	10.5	10.5	0.0	21.0
-Changes to Retirement and Other Personal Services Rates	7.6	7.6	0.0	15.2
-Transfer in from Medicaid State Programs ADN 0640047	43.6	43.5	0.0	87.1
Proposed budget decreases:				
-Department-wide travel reduction	-0.1	-0.1	0.0	-0.2
FY2005 Governor	236.2	255.4	0.0	491.6

**Hearings and Appeals
Personal Services Information**

Authorized Positions		Personal Services Costs		
	FY2004 Authorized	FY2005 Governor		
Full-time	4	5	Annual Salaries	301,686
Part-time	0	0	Premium Pay	0
Nonpermanent	0	0	Annual Benefits	123,227
			<i>Less 0.00% Vacancy Factor</i>	(0)
			Lump Sum Premium Pay	0
Totals	4	5	Total Personal Services	424,913

Position Classification Summary

Job Class Title	Anchorage	Fairbanks	Juneau	Others	Total
Hearing Examiner	2	0	0	0	2
Law Office Assistant I	1	0	0	0	1
Public Asst Prog Off	2	0	0	0	2
Totals	5	0	0	0	5