

**State of Alaska
FY2007 Governor's Operating Budget**

**Department of Health and Social Services
Psychiatric Emergency Services
Component Budget Summary**

Component: Psychiatric Emergency Services

Contribution to Department's Mission

To protect and improve the quality of life for consumers impacted by mental disorders or illness.

Core Services

The Psychiatric Emergency Services component provides competitive grant funding to community mental health agencies for services intended to aid people in psychiatric crisis. The service array may include crisis intervention, brief therapeutic interventions to help stabilize the client, and follow-up services. Specialized services such as outreach teams and residential crisis/respite services are also included.

This is also the component that will respond to a disaster and seek federal assistance if an event met the criteria for a presidentially declared disaster.

FY2007 Resources Allocated to Achieve Results		
FY2007 Component Budget: \$6,153,400	Personnel:	
	Full time	0
	Part time	0
	Total	0

Key Component Challenges

A major issue facing the component is the current reluctance of some providers to work with high acuity clients, or clients experiencing the most dire need. Ongoing efforts to enact new service provider requirements will continue.

The Alaska Psychiatric Institute and other mental health service provider agencies in Alaska are experiencing difficulty recruiting psychiatrists, psychiatric nurses and other mental health professionals. Since there is a limited supply of psychiatrists and psychiatric nurses in the nation, they are in high demand and agencies in the country's more densely populated areas tend to be able to offer an employment/lifestyle package that is more attractive than Alaska can offer.

Consumer health and safety issues continue to be at the forefront of the Division's concerns. The 2001 legislature passed legislation requiring provider agencies to notify the Division in the case of consumers known to be missing, seriously injured or deceased, and the Division continues to implement these regulations and operationalize this legislation.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2007

Services will remain consistent in FY07 at levels achieved in FY06. The Crisis Treatment Center (CTC) Replacement Facility in Anchorage will come on line and expand from eight (8) to sixteen (16) beds in the old API Building/new Providence Alaska Administration Building. The CTC expansion is consistent with the API Replacement/Community Implementation Project to mitigate the reduced bed capacity in the new API. We will continue to work on creating a consistent emergency response protocol statewide that treats the individual as close to their home community as possible.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2005

Through our emergency services system, we served approximately 34,000 people, many of whom were also served in

other components when not in crisis. Ensuring that consumers in crisis are served quickly and appropriately, enables them to access stabilization and treatment services as needed and reduces the overall costs related to serving these individuals over the long-term and prevents even more serious long term consequences for the individuals needing emergency services. Emergency services continue to provide a direct alternative/diversion from psychiatric hospitalization.

DBH was awarded a Disaster Capacity Grant in FY04. The position included a full-time Disaster Planner/Coordinator, who has been focusing on updating the previous disaster plans that focused on natural disasters. The previous mental health disaster plan is being updated to include all behavioral health services, terrorist attacks, and additional integrated responses with other first and early responders, coordination with recovery workers, and includes coordination across all state departments; this is reflective of the Homeland Defense command structure. Coordination is especially integrated with Public Health and the hospital association. In FY06 this position transitioned to part-time under the above federal grant. The disaster functions will progressively transition to Regional Behavioral Health Specialists in FY07 as the federal funding ends for a dedicated disaster staff specialist.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

AS 47.30.520 - 620	Community Mental Health Services Act
AS 47.30.655 - 915	State Mental Health Policy
AS 47.30.011 - 061	Mental Health Trust Authority
7 AAC 78	Grant Programs
7 AAC 72	Civil Commitment
7 AAC 71	Community Mental Health Services

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Psychiatric Emergency Services Component Financial Summary			
		<i>All dollars shown in thousands</i>	
	FY2005 Actuals	FY2006 Management Plan	FY2007 Governor
Non-Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
72000 Travel	8.3	0.0	0.0
73000 Services	448.6	452.5	452.5
74000 Commodities	1.6	0.0	0.0
75000 Capital Outlay	0.0	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Benefits	5,901.9	6,371.7	5,700.9
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenditure Totals	6,360.4	6,824.2	6,153.4
Funding Sources:			
1002 Federal Receipts	373.7	670.8	0.0
1004 General Fund Receipts	174.8	0.0	0.0
1037 General Fund / Mental Health	5,453.4	6,103.4	6,103.4
1092 Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized Receipts	358.5	50.0	50.0
Funding Totals	6,360.4	6,824.2	6,153.4

Estimated Revenue Collections				
Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2005 Actuals	FY2006 Managem ent Plan	FY2007 Governor
Unrestricted Revenues				
None.		0.0	0.0	0.0
Unrestricted Total		0.0	0.0	0.0
Restricted Revenues				
Federal Receipts	51010	373.7	670.8	0.0
Restricted Total		373.7	670.8	0.0
Total Estimated Revenues		373.7	670.8	0.0

**Summary of Component Budget Changes
From FY2006 Management Plan to FY2007 Governor**

All dollars shown in thousands

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2006 Management Plan	6,103.4	670.8	50.0	6,824.2
Adjustments which will continue current level of service:				
-Transfer out to SED Youth for Trauma Initiative	0.0	-98.5	0.0	-98.5
Proposed budget decreases:				
-Eliminate Federal Authority for the CMHS Block Grant	0.0	-572.3	0.0	-572.3
FY2007 Governor	6,103.4	0.0	50.0	6,153.4