

State of Alaska FY2007 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Health and Social Services Community Action Prevention & Intervention Grants Component Budget Summary

Component: Community Action Prevention & Intervention Grants

Contribution to Department's Mission

To reduce alcoholism and other drug abuse, especially among youth.

The mission of this component is to ensure that effective community-based prevention services are available statewide. These prevention services strive to incorporate community planning and evidence-based strategies that demonstrate positive outcomes for individuals, families, and communities.

Core Services

The intent of this component is to provide the foundation funding for Alaska's effort to prevent substance abuse within the State, with a special focus on preventing youth from experimenting with and becoming addicted to alcohol and other drugs. Funds are granted to support community-based substance abuse prevention programs that utilize "Best Practices" as defined by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Center for Substance Abuse Prevention. Prevention services delivered by the local providers can include information, general education, alternative activities, problem identification and referral, community based processes, and environmental strategies. Specific strategies for service will be selected by the community providers following a community planning process that includes a needs assessment, community readiness and an evaluation component.

FY2007 Resources Allocated to Achieve Results

FY2007 Component Budget: \$8,715,000	Personnel:	
	Full time	0
	Part time	0
	Total	0

Key Component Challenges

The DBH prevention and early intervention services section or CAPI, is working diligently to develop a clear, comprehensive approach to prevention and early intervention of all behavioral health issues. For too long we have segregated social and health problems into manageable but isolated parts, missing the powerful effects of a broad combination of interventions that can impact related and intertwined problems. We believe that by combining our funding (substance abuse, suicide and fetal alcohol syndrome prevention) we will begin paving the way for more creativity, more flexibility, more accountability and more measurable outcomes. This will lead to improvement in our suicide rate, family wellness, reduced drinking among teens and adults, healthy pregnancies free of alcohol-related disabilities, and stronger and healthier communities, families and individuals.

Our approach is to develop comprehensive, integrated behavioral health prevention and early interventions services related to substance use and abuse, suicide, fetal alcohol spectrum disorders, youth development and resiliency, and promotion of community, family and individual wellness across Alaska.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2007

During FY07 a number of significant changes will occur. First, two major initiatives have been introduced by Governor Murkowski requesting an increase in prevention funding by \$9 million. The Youth Success Initiative (\$6 million) is a two phase approach to developing a comprehensive and coordinated effort to address "what is success" for Alaska's youth and how can we develop a statewide approach to increasing success among our youth population. Four community-based agencies were selected in phase one to begin working with DHSS and DBH to develop an overall approach and strategies for youth success - Boys and Girls Club of Alaska; Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Alaska; Rural Alaska Community Action Programs (RurALCAP); and the Association of Alaska School Boards. Together with DHSS, these four partners will work together to develop a plan for phase two, where service approaches and programs will be identified for funding in FY07. A second initiative is Preventing Underage Alcohol Use (\$3 million) and will develop an integrated, comprehensive and community-driven program to promote healthy individuals, families and communities by focusing on the prevention of underage alcohol and drug use. Substance abuse, particularly alcohol abuse, is a critical and devastating problem for Alaska's youth. By working in partnership with the Divisions of Juvenile Justice, Public Health and Public Assistance, Office of Children's Services, the Alaska Mental Health Trust, Advisory Board on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse, the Alcohol Beverage Control Board, the Alaska Court System, the Department of Public Safety and the Department of Education and Early Development, the DHSS Division of Behavioral Health will define and develop a statewide plan and approach to reduce alcohol and drug use among youth and to increase the resiliency and connectedness of youth. These new funds will increase DBH community substance abuse prevention funding by 100%, potentially increasing the number of communities able to address underage alcohol use by 50 to 60 communities. By focusing our attention on youth alcohol use, the benefits are earlier prevention efforts, reduction in age of first use, reduction in the number of youth binge drinking and drinking and driving. In addition, promotion of strong protective factors among youth early will increase school success, increase youth leadership in alcohol use reduction, and increase community health and wellness. The division has requested the following increments in the FY07 Governor's budget:

Rural Human Services Systems Program - Add 10 New Counselors in Villages
\$550.0 General Fund/Mental Health

With these new dollars the RHSS program will be able to add ten new positions to the existing RHSS Program and, in the process provide 10 new villages with paraprofessional behavioral health services. Once trained these counselors are able to address and respond to a variety of daily issues such as child abuse, domestic violence, alcohol abuse, depression and other issues.

DHSS Youth Success Program - Partner with Boys and Girls Club
\$1,000.0 Interagency Receipts \$5,000.0 General Fund/Mental Health

This request will provide funds to employ innovative approaches to invest in the Youth of Alaska. The goals of the program are to provide mechanisms where young Alaskans can realize their full potential by offering them hope, opportunity and a safe environment. This investment is targeted to turn the curve on some of the following indicators where Alaska's rates are high:

- * Substance Abuse
- * Suicide Rate

Major Component Accomplishments in 2005

FY05 was the final continuation year for most of our Community Action Prevention and Intervention Grants. With this in mind, FY05 was a year for continuing existing community-based substance abuse programming initiated in FY04. One significant issue for our FY05 grantees was a reduction of \$300,000 in overall funding for this component. While this reduction did not appreciably reduce each individual grant, prevention grants are already quite small and for many agencies their portion of the reductions was significant (10-20%). We continued to work with grantees to make progress in developing and tracking critical program outcome measures, developing more program accountability, and making strides in moving some programs toward evidence-based models of service, as defined by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA).

Moving in the direction of a more comprehensive approach to behavioral health prevention, a new Request for Proposals was developed and released in March 2005, combining our substance abuse, suicide and fetal alcohol syndrome prevention funds into an integrated approach to overall community health and wellness. The FY06 RFP requested proposals for a 3-year funding award, asking communities and agencies to work in partnership, to develop comprehensive approaches to prevention and to develop clearer outcome measures to better document the progress being made in this arena.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

AS 47.30.470-500	Mental Health
AS 47.37	Uniform Alcoholism & Intoxication Treatment Act
7 AAC 28	Community Grant-In-Aid Program for Alcoholism
7 AAC 78	Grant Programs

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**Community Action Prevention & Intervention Grants
Component Financial Summary**

All dollars shown in thousands

	FY2005 Actuals	FY2006 Management Plan	FY2007 Governor
Non-Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
72000 Travel	1.9	0.0	0.0
73000 Services	230.6	504.2	504.2
74000 Commodities	0.1	0.0	0.0
75000 Capital Outlay	0.0	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Benefits	1,601.8	1,954.0	8,210.8
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenditure Totals	1,834.4	2,458.2	8,715.0
Funding Sources:			
1002 Federal Receipts	1,137.6	1,172.0	935.3
1004 General Fund Receipts	588.7	821.6	821.6
1007 Inter-Agency Receipts	0.0	56.5	1,000.0
1037 General Fund / Mental Health	108.1	408.1	5,958.1
Funding Totals	1,834.4	2,458.2	8,715.0

Estimated Revenue Collections

Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2005 Actuals	FY2006 Management 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	1,137.6	1,172.0	935.3
Interagency Receipts	51015	0.0	56.5	1,000.0
Restricted Total		1,137.6	1,228.5	1,935.3
Total Estimated Revenues		1,137.6	1,228.5	1,935.3

**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	1,229.7	1,172.0	56.5	2,458.2
Proposed budget decreases:				
-Eliminate Interagency Receipt Authority	0.0	0.0	-56.5	-56.5
-Reduce Federal Receipt Authorization for SAPT Block Grant	0.0	-236.7	0.0	-236.7
Proposed budget increases:				
-Rural Human Services Systems Program - Add 10 New Counselors in Villages	550.0	0.0	0.0	550.0
-DHSS Youth Success Program	5,000.0	0.0	1,000.0	6,000.0
FY2007 Governor	6,779.7	935.3	1,000.0	8,715.0