

State of Alaska FY2017 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Health and Social Services Senior and Disabilities Medicaid Services Component Budget Summary

Component: Senior and Disabilities Medicaid Services

Contribution to Department's Mission

Senior and Disabilities Services promotes health, well-being, and safety for individuals with disabilities, seniors, and vulnerable adults by facilitating access to quality services and supports that foster independence, personal choice, and dignity.

This component of Alaska Medicaid is under the programmatic oversight of the Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Senior and Disabilities Services.

Core Services

- Administration of four Medicaid Home and Community Based Waivers
- Administration of Medicaid State Plan Personal Care Attendant Services
- Administration of community-based grant programs for individuals with developmental disabilities, seniors, and their caretakers
- Authorization of nursing home placements and facilitation of transitions out of nursing homes to community placements
- Certification, monitoring, and oversight of Home and Community Based Services and providers through a continuous quality improvement process
- Protection of vulnerable adults from abuse, neglect, and exploitation through investigation and the provision of protective services

Major Component Accomplishments in 2015

Completed 42 Tele Health re-assessments in rural Alaska resulting in improved timeliness and efficiencies.

Revised Regulations for Home and Community Based Services which allowed the Division to increase oversight of services authorized. This increased oversight ensures that the appropriate level of service is delivered to meet recipient needs.

Made substantial progress through collaborative meetings with home and community based waiver and personal care attendant service providers, and the Office of Rate Review staff, to finalize the scope of several rate methodologies and to incorporate that scope into the Department's federal waivers with the U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

Achieved \$26,392.9 in savings by implementing quality improvements in the Personal Care Assistance program.

Key Component Challenges

The Division of Senior and Disabilities Services must annually conduct face-to-face assessments, level of care determinations, and plan of care reviews in order to meet requirements outlined in the waiver plans approved by the U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for Alaska's four Medicaid Home and Community Based Waiver programs.

With the senior population in Alaska projected to increase, the Division of Senior and Disabilities Services will be challenged to manage the waiver programs and personal care assistance services in a way that controls the growth of spending and contains costs while ensuring that quality services are available to the individuals that really need them.

The four major challenges the Division of Senior and Disabilities Services will need to focus on in order to provide a balanced and cost-effective system of care to meet the needs of its service population are:

- Ensure that waiver participants receive home and community based services as close to home as possible and at the lowest level of care appropriate to meet their needs,
- Ensure that vulnerable adults are safe and protected from abuse, neglect, and exploitation,
- Ensure that service participants receive quality services in a timely manner, and
- Ensure effective administration and management and maximizing operational efficiency.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2017

The Division of Senior and Disabilities Services is currently in the process of designing, developing, and implementing an Automated Service Plan system with a provider portal in support of the Division's programs. The implementation of this system will emphasize service integration among state programs, including the Division of Senior and Disabilities Services, Medicaid, Behavioral Health, Eligibility, Financial Services, Certification and Licensing, and Public Health.

The Division of Senior and Disabilities Services will expand its current database to collect client demographics, program performance, and services delivered through its Senior Community Based Grants component and developmental disabilities program to improve developmental disabilities grant recipient information. This will improve access to detailed client data and provider information which is critical for the Division to plan and meet the needs of the client as well as identify grant trends in programs, services, and supports.

The General Relief Assisted Living Care program will complete assessments and housing preference surveys for all of its residents. This will help the Division identify clients ready to move to a supported living or independent living setting that have not yet been able to move without additional assistance.

The Division of Senior and Disabilities Services and Behavioral Health partnered with Alaska Housing Finance Corporation to offer supported living housing vouchers through a federal program called 811 Project Rental Assistance. This program will provide housing vouchers to clients interested in transitioning from a General Relief Assisted Living setting to an apartment with supportive services designed to teach residents how to live independently and maintain tenancy.

The Division Senior and Disabilities Services and the Commission on Aging will collaboratively work towards implementing meaningful Medicaid reform, including the 1915(i/k) options, in order to improve health outcomes and access to long-term support services for seniors and other vulnerable Alaskans and to save state general funds.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

AS 47.07 Medical Assistance for Needy Persons
AS 47.25 Public Assistance

Social Security Act:
Title XVIII Medicare
Title XIX Medicaid

Administrative Code:
7 AAC 43 Medicaid
7 AAC 100 Medicaid Assistance Eligibility

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

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Component Detail All Funds
Department of Health and Social Services

Component: Senior and Disabilities Medicaid Services (2662)
RDU: Medicaid Services (595)

Formula Component

	FY2015 Actuals	FY2016 Conference Committee	FY2016 Authorized	FY2016 Management Plan	FY2017 Governor	FY2016 Management Plan vs FY2017 Governor	
71000 Personal Services	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
72000 Travel	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
73000 Services	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
74000 Commodities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
75000 Capital Outlay	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
77000 Grants, Benefits	497,492.1	554,112.8	552,112.8	552,112.8	542,263.3	-9,849.5	-1.8%
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
Totals	497,492.1	554,112.8	552,112.8	552,112.8	542,263.3	-9,849.5	-1.8%
Fund Sources:							
1002Fed Rcpts (Fed)	256,442.2	285,815.0	285,815.0	285,815.0	289,227.0	3,412.0	1.2%
1003G/F Match (UGF)	208,350.3	208,350.3	208,350.3	208,350.3	208,350.3	0.0	0.0%
1004Gen Fund (UGF)	32,534.2	58,879.1	56,879.1	56,879.1	43,617.6	-13,261.5	-23.3%
1007I/A Rcpts (Other)	0.0	518.4	518.4	518.4	518.4	0.0	0.0%
1108Stat Desig (Other)	165.4	550.0	550.0	550.0	550.0	0.0	0.0%
Unrestricted General (UGF)	240,884.5	267,229.4	265,229.4	265,229.4	251,967.9	-13,261.5	-5.0%
Designated General (DGF)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
Other Funds	165.4	1,068.4	1,068.4	1,068.4	1,068.4	0.0	0.0%
Federal Funds	256,442.2	285,815.0	285,815.0	285,815.0	289,227.0	3,412.0	1.2%
Positions:							
Permanent Full Time	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Permanent Part Time	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%
Non Permanent	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0%

Change Record Detail - Multiple Scenarios with Descriptions
Department of Health and Social Services

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Scenario/Change Record Title	Trans Type	Totals	Personal Services	Travel	Services	Commodities	Capital Outlay	Grants, Benefits	Miscellaneous	Positions		NP
										PFT	PPT	
***** Changes From FY2016 Conference Committee To FY2016 Authorized *****												
FY2016 Conference Committee												
	ConfCom	554,112.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	554,112.8	0.0	0	0	0
1002 Fed Rcpts		285,815.0										
1003 G/F Match		208,350.3										
1004 Gen Fund		58,879.1										
1007 I/A Rcpts		518.4										
1108 Stat Desig		550.0										
Implement Medicaid Cost-savings Measures and Efficiencies to Absorb Agency-wide Reduction												
	Unalloc	-247.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-247.5	0.0	0	0	0
1004 Gen Fund		-247.5										
<p>The Department of Health and Social Services, Senior and Disabilities Medicaid Services component is absorbing a portion of the SLA2015 DHSS-specific unallocated reduction of \$2.2 million in unrestricted general funds. Every effort will be made to identify and implement cost-savings measures and efficiencies within the Alaska Medicaid program. The department has announced to providers that for FY2016, it will not be implementing the customary, annual Medicaid rate inflation adjustment of 1-2%, which by itself is projected to generate \$8 million in cost avoidance. Medicaid program reforms have been identified that are estimated to save the State another \$20 million, and the department continues to assess its options for further cost containment, both within and beyond the Alaska Medicaid program.</p>												
Implement Medicaid Cost-savings Measures and Efficiencies to Absorb State-wide Reduction												
	Unalloc	-1,752.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-1,752.5	0.0	0	0	0
1004 Gen Fund		-1,752.5										
<p>The Department of Health and Social Services, Senior and Disabilities Medicaid Services component is absorbing a portion of the SLA2015 executive branch unallocated reduction of \$29.8 million in unrestricted general funds. Every effort will be made to identify and implement cost-savings measures and efficiencies within the Alaska Medicaid program. The department has announced to providers that for FY2016, it will not be implementing the customary, annual Medicaid rate inflation adjustment of 1-2%, which by itself is projected to generate \$8 million in cost avoidance. Medicaid program reforms have been identified that are estimated to save the State another \$20 million, and the department continues to assess its options for further cost containment, both within and beyond the Alaska Medicaid program.</p>												
Subtotal		552,112.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	552,112.8	0.0	0	0	0
***** Changes From FY2016 Management Plan To FY2017 Governor *****												
Potential Savings from Reforms and Efficiencies												
	Dec	-13,261.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-13,261.5	0.0	0	0	0
1004 Gen Fund		-13,261.5										

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										PFT	PPT	
approved or enacted and is unable to precisely predict the exact savings associated with each reform. Nevertheless, the Department is confident savings will be realized in FY2017.												
Some possible reform initiatives that will help the Department meet this reduction include placing a cap on certain Home and Community Based Services waiver services.												
Allow for Additional Federal Receipt Authority for Medicaid Expansion												
1002 Fed Rcpts	Inc	3,412.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3,412.0	0.0	0	0	0
		3,412.0										
Additional federal receipt authority allows the Department to claim federal reimbursement of state expenditures for expanding medical coverage to Alaskans.												
	Totals	542,263.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	542,263.3	0.0	0	0	0

Line Item Detail
Department of Health and Social Services
Grants, Benefits

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Line Number	Line Name		FY2015 Actuals	FY2016 Management Plan	FY2017 Governor
77000	Grants, Benefits		497,492.1	552,112.8	542,263.3
Expenditure Account	Servicing Agency	Explanation	FY2015 Actuals	FY2016 Management Plan	FY2017 Governor
77000 Grants, Benefits Detail Totals			497,492.1	552,112.8	542,263.3
77670	Benefits	Medicaid services including: Personal Care, Nursing and Waiver Services.	497,492.1	552,112.8	536,411.1
		This also includes payments for services for Medicaid clients who will be newly eligible through Medicaid expansion.			
77670	Benefits	H&SS Medicaid benefit payments (total computable) are paid to the Pioneer Home (AKPH) component as the mechanism, to allow them to bill for long-term care waiver services provided to Medicaid eligible Pioneer Home residents.	0.0	0.0	5,852.2

Restricted Revenue Detail
Department of Health and Social Services

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Master Account	Revenue Description				FY2015 Actuals	FY2016 Management Plan	FY2017 Governor
51010	Federal Receipts				256,442.2	285,815.0	289,227.0
Detail Information							
Revenue Amount	Revenue Description	Component	Collocation Code	AKSAS Fund	FY2015 Actuals	FY2016 Management Plan	FY2017 Governor
57301	Title XIX Map				256,442.2	285,815.0	289,227.0
	Medicaid Federal Collections- The bulk of the federal funding for the Medicaid benefits comes from claims reimbursed at the federal medical assistance percentage of FMAP. Additional Medicaid funds sources are IHS (Indian Health Services) at 100% FMAP for specific programs. Actual collections are based on the proportion of the expenditures eligible for each type of federal reimbursement.						

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Master Account	Revenue Description	FY2015 Actuals	FY2016 Management Plan	FY2017 Governor
51015	Interagency Receipts	0.0	518.4	518.4

Detail Information

Revenue Amount	Revenue Description	Component	Collocation Code	AKSAS Fund	FY2015 Actuals	FY2016 Management Plan	FY2017 Governor
59060	Health & Social Svcs	Alaska Pioneer Homes Management	06214651	11100	0.0	518.4	518.4

Alaska Pioneer Home Assisted living State match RSA. Pioneer Homes return the state match portion of the Medicaid payment and retain only the federal share.

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Master Account	Revenue Description				FY2015 Actuals	FY2016 Management Plan	FY2017 Governor
51063	Statutory Designated Program Receipts				165.4	550.0	550.0
Detail Information							
Revenue Amount	Revenue Description	Component	Collocation Code	AKSAS Fund	FY2015 Actuals	FY2016 Management Plan	FY2017 Governor
51063	Stat Desig Prog Rec Recovery of Overpayments to Medicaid providers discovered through audit.		06150001	11000	0.0	384.6	550.0
54252	Recovd Medicaid Pymt				165.4	165.4	0.0

Interagency Services
Department of Health and Social Services

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Expenditure Account	Service Description	Service Type	Servicing Agency	FY2015 Actuals	FY2016 Management Plan	FY2017 Governor	
77670	Benefits	Medicaid benefit payments (total computable) are paid to the Pioneer Home (AKPH) component as the mechanism, to allow them to bill for long-term care waiver services provided to Medicaid eligible Pioneer Home residents.	Intra-dept	H&SS	0.0	0.0	5,852.2
77670 Benefits subtotal:				0.0	0.0	5,852.2	
Senior and Disabilities Medicaid Services total:				0.0	0.0	5,852.2	
Grand Total:				0.0	0.0	5,852.2	