

Washington State Department of Social and Health Services

2015-17 Agency Request Budget Priority Investment List

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Transforming
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Aging and Long-Term Support Administration



Rank	PL Title	2015-17 Policy Level DP Description	2015-17 Estimate	
			GF-State	All Funds
1	Pre-Medicaid Services	Funding is requested for the expansion of services and supports that will delay or divert individuals from entering the more expensive Medicaid Long Term Care System, to include Family Caregiver Support Program (FCSP) services such as consultation, training, respite, and equipment; unbiased and personalized Options Counseling and Assistance (OC/A); and evidence-based interventions that improve the capability and quality of services to individuals with dementia and their caregivers.	\$19,174,000	\$19,174,000
2	Adult Protective Services	Funding is requested for additional staff for Adult Protective Services (APS) to ensure in-home investigations to protect vulnerable adults in our communities are completed within 90 days.	\$1,552,000	\$1,826,000
3	Assisted Living Rate Increase	Funding is requested to increase the rates for Assisted Living Facilities (ALF) residential services.	\$8,207,000	\$16,417,000
4	Restore Agency Provider Rate Cut	Funding is requested to restore the \$0.13 administrative rate reduction for home care agencies that was enacted in 2010.	\$1,583,000	\$3,165,000
5	Skilled Nursing Comparability	Funding is requested for a rate increase for skilled nursing services from the current standard rate of \$51/visit to \$87/visit in order to maintain access to this service for Medicaid clients.	\$336,000	\$672,000
6	Long Term Supports Insurance Study	Funding is requested to contract for an actuarial insurance industry study of options to finance long term care insurance for the citizens of Washington state, including public financing and public-private partnerships.	\$100,000	\$400,000

SOURCE: DSHS Financial Services Administration, Central Budget Office

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7	AFH Technical Assistance	Funding is requested for additional staffing in the Residential Care Services (RCS) Adult Family Home (AFH) Program in order to assist AFH providers to comply with facility statutory requirements through implementation of quality improvement principles. The primary function of these requested positions will be to provide AFH regulatory compliance technical assistance.	\$683,000	\$1,364,000
8	HealthPath Washington Managed Care	Funding is requested for staffing costs for the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) Financial Alignment Integration Demonstrations. CMS has approved Washington to implement two shared savings models of care. The first, Health Homes, provides intensive care coordination and increased communication among the client's providers. The second, HealthPath Washington (Managed Care), will contract with managed care organizations to deliver Medicare and Medicaid services, including long term services and supports and behavioral health services, in King and Snohomish counties to achieve better health outcomes at less cost than traditional fee for service delivery.	\$190,000	\$1,312,000
9	Delay Nursing Home Rebase	Funding is requested to restore the reduction option that would otherwise delay the nursing home Medicaid rate rebase required under RCW 74.46 from July 1, 2015 to July 1, 2017.	\$58,778,000	\$117,603,000
10	Increase AFH License Fee	Funding is requested to restore the GF-State reduction option that would otherwise increase the license fee for Adult Family Homes (AFH) from \$225 to \$325 in Fiscal Years 2016 and 2017.	\$1,358,000	(\$3,267,000)