State of Alaska Department of Health

Division of Health Care Services

FY2026 Overview

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Medicaid Health Plan

Division of Public Assistance:

- Determines Medicaid eligibility
- Medicaid eligibility data systems interface with the Medicaid Management Information System to share enrollee data

Enrollees 240,000 +

Providers 30,000 +

Health Care Services:

- Manages enrollment of provider types from each Division
- Conducts required background checks on providers (23,000 + annually)
- Certifies and Licenses Health Facilities and Assisted Living Homes for Alaska

Health Care Services:

- Manages System and Fiscal Agent vendors
- Balances accounting and pays all providers in weekly "check-writes"
- Conducts claim reviews and post payment recoveries

Payments

\$2.4 Billion + Annually

Claims

8 Million + Annually

Oversight Divisions

Health Care Services:

 Durable Medical Equipment, Pharmacy, Professional Fees, Dental, Imaging, etc.

Behavioral Health:

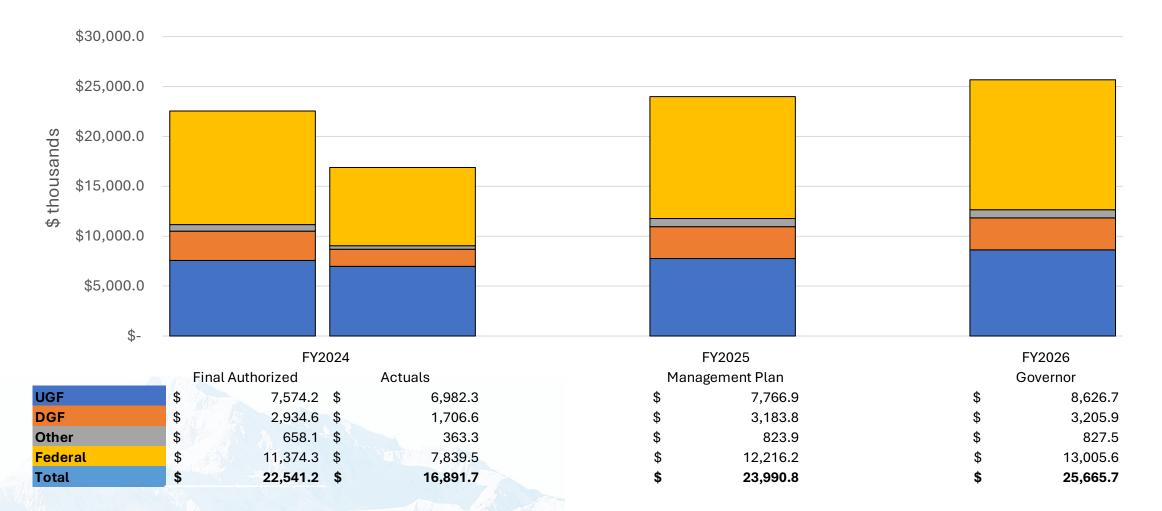
• 1115 Demonstration Waiver, Crisis Stabilization Services, etc.

Senior and Disabilities Services:

Home and Community Based Waivers,
Personal Care, Community First Choice



Operating Budget (FY2024-FY2026)





FY2026 Operating Budget Changes

Dollars in thousands

FY2026 Operating Budget Changes	Amount	Fund Source	Amount	Fund Source	Total	Impact
Address Federal Changes for Health Facility Inspections	\$667.5	UGF	\$295.0	FED	\$962.5	Health Facilities Licensing and Certification; this funding is essential to meet statutory obligations, leverage State funds for federal dollars, and protect the health and safety of Alaskans.
Meet Public Need for Assisted Living Homes with Additional Positions	\$-	UGF	\$171.3	FED	\$171.3	Residential Licensing; two new positions to support increased workloads and improve the timeliness of inspections and investigations for Assisted Living Homes in Alaska.

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Health Facilities Licensing and Certification

- •General Acute Care Hospitals
- Critical Access Hospitals
- Long Term Acute Care Hospitals
- Specialty Hospitals
- •Skilled Nursing Facilities
- Ambulatory Surgery Centers
- Volunteer Hospice
- •Full-Service Hospice
- Outpatient Physical Therapy Providers
- •Rural Health Clinics
- •Freestanding Birth Centers
- •Home Health Agencies
- Frontier Extended Stay Clinics
- •End Stage Renal Disease Facilities
- •Federally Qualified Health Care Facilities
- Subacute Mental Health Facilities
- •Residential Psychiatric Treatment Centers

State Fiscal Year	Facilities	Complaints	Surveys
FY2023	164	758	157
FY2024	169	1,271	170



Residential Licensing



721 Assisted Living Homes

- Conducted 385 inspections
- Triaged over 13,000 intakes
- Investigated 332 complaints with 107 substantiated primary allegations





Tribal Reclaiming State General Fund Savings

State Fiscal Year	Transportation	Other Services	Total
FY2020	\$36M	\$58M	\$94M
FY2024	\$40M	\$98M	\$138M

Recovery and Cost Avoidance State General Fund Savings

State Fiscal Year	Third-Party Liability	Pharmacy	Other	Total	Cost Avoidance
FY2020	\$2M	\$32M	\$2M	\$36M	\$111M
FY2024	\$8M	\$41M	\$2M	\$50M	\$168M



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