

# **House Finance Subcommittee FY20/FY21 Key Issues**

## **Department of Health and Social Services**

### **DHSS Overview**

1. What is the three-year vision for the DHSS?
2. Overview of performance measures

### **Medicaid**

3. FY20 Reductions
  - Update spreadsheet to compare projected savings to actuals
  - Which policies from the initial list remain in-progress and what is their expected implementation timeline?
4. Medicaid monthly enrollment trends for expansion & traditional populations
5. Adult Preventative Dental
  - Provide timeline of events for FY20 and utilization/claim rates per month
6. Other Cost-Containment Update from PCG Consultant
  - What else is DHSS exploring besides block grants and moving low cost enrollees to the private insurance market?
7. Are changes to eligibility requirements or benefits being considered?
8. Tribal Claiming
  - Update on savings

### **Behavioral Health Medicaid**

9. Forensic Study to improve Alaska's capacity to treat defendants with mental health needs
  - What are the recommendations of the study?
10. DSH Funding
  - Provide a short summary of how the additional DSH funding was expended and what the anticipated impacts will be now that the multi-year appropriation terminates
11. 1115 Waiver
  - Update

### **Behavioral Health**

12. Behavioral Health Treatment & Recovery Grants
  - Has Medicaid seen an uptick in BH billing as projected?
  - How many previous BH grant providers transitioned from grants to Medicaid providers?

## **API**

### 13. Feasibility Study

- What did the study say?

### 14. Well Path

- Update on status of current contract

### 15. Capacity

- What is the current bed capacity at API?
- By month, what was the average bed capacity for 2019?
- What obstacles prevent API from operating at capacity and what is being done to address them?

## **Pioneer Homes**

### 16. Enrollment Changes

- Update table with current discharges/admissions/deceased
- Update funding source table by group (private pay, payment assistance, and Medicaid waiver)

### 17. Cost Comparison

- Provide cost/market comparison for long term care beds/facilities by level of acuity
- If possible, break out by region or city

## **Public Assistance**

### 18. Adult Public Assistance

- Timeline and update on vetoed funds
- Update on the recalculation

### 19. Backlog Update

### 20. Impact of SNAP rule change

## **Juvenile Justice**

### 21. Nome Youth Facility

- Update on impacts of the FY20 reduction

## **Public Health**

### 22. Nursing

- What specifically (clinics/positions/programs/clients served) were reduced to absorb \$6.2m cuts implemented between FY15-FY20?