

Overview:

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

GOVERNOR'S FISCAL YEAR 90 INCREMENTS

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Commissioner

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FY 90 INCREMENTS

<u>Increment</u>	<u>GF \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u> (in millions)	<u>Total \$</u>
<u>Non-Discretionary</u>			
Entitlements/formula growth	\$15,588.9	\$13,529.5	\$29,118.4
Mental Health Lands Trust (exclusive of \$ in entitlement Maintenance and Operation of Facilities	5,026.0	0.0	5,026.0
	<u>27.5</u>	<u>0.0</u>	<u>27.5</u>
Subtotal non-discretionary	\$20,642.4	\$13,529.5	\$34,171.9
<u>Other Critical Needs</u>	<u>\$ 3,583.8</u>	<u>\$ 4,001.5</u>	<u>\$ 7,585.3</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$24,226.2	\$17,531.0	\$41,757.2

ENTITLEMENT GROWTH

<u>Program</u>	<u>BRU</u>	<u>GE \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
Aid to Families with Dependent Children	Assistance Payments	\$2018.8	\$2086.2	\$4105.0
Adult Public Assistance	Assistance Payments	2023.9	156.4	2180.3

\* Conservative estimate of 3.3% caseload growth for AFDC (362 families/month) and 5.1% APA (311 individuals/month) and an estimated mandated cost of living of 4.1% effective January 1, 1990.

General Relief Assistance	Assistance Payments	40.6	0.0	40.6
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\* Estimated 5% caseload growth.

Medicaid	Medical Assistance	9178.1	10091.6	19269.7
General Relief	Medical Assistance	695.2	0.0	695.2

\* FY 90 growth reflects caseload growth in hospitals, nursing homes, and non-facility services of approximately 4.3%, a cost of living increase of 3.7% and utilization increase of 3.0%.

Alaska Longevity Bonus-Hold Harmless	Assistance Payments & Medical Assistance	699.7	0.0	699.7
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\* Replacement funds for benefit reductions in AFDC, Food Stamps, SSI/APA and Medicaid.

Indian Health Services	Medical Assistance	0.0	590.4	590.4
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\* FY 90 caseload growth of 4.3%, and 3.7% cost of living increase, and a 3.0% utilization increase.

API and Harborview-MMIS	Medical Assistance	0.0	354.3	354.3
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\* Federal funds for Medicaid claims associated with the API and Harborview Facilities.

Foster Care	Purchased Services	932.6	250.6	1183.2
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\* Conservative Caseload growth of 56 FTE's, and a rate increase of 5.1%.

Mental Health Trust

<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>BRU</u>	<u>GF \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
Community Mental Health Grants	Community Mental Health Grants	319.0	0.0	319.0

*\* Annualizes FY 89 partial year funding increase for expanded community based mental health services.*

Services for the Chronically Mentally Ill	Community Mental Health Grants	500.0	0.0	500.0
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*\* Annualizes FY 89 partial year funding increase for expanded housing for adults with severe mental illness.*

Forensic Halfway House	Community Mental Health Grants	400.0	0.0	400.0
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*\* In conjunction with the Department of Corrections, funds a forensic halfway house and specialized case management support for nine months. Services are critical to break the cycle of mentally ill offenders returning to correctional facilities or API.*

Community DD Grants	Community DD Grants	377.0	0.0	377.0
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*\* Funds individualized assistance services and expanded case management assistance for developmentally disabled infants, children, and adults.*

Intensive Learning Group and Foster Homes	Community DD Grants	480.0	0.0	480.0
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*\* Specialized living situations and intensive treatment programs for severely developmentally disabled babies and adults.*

Group Home and Foster Care Placements	Community DD Grants	450.0	0.0	450.0
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*\* Specialized out-of-home care arrangements for children and adults currently on waiting list.*

Mental Health Trust

<u>Program</u>	<u>ORG</u>	<u>GF \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
Senior Services Specialist	Institutions and Administration	60.0	0.0	60.0

\* A mental health senior services specialist is required to comply with OBRA 87 requirements concerning pre-admission screening of nursing home applicants with a mental illness diagnosis. The position is also needed to increase the division's overall responsiveness to the special needs of older people.

Rural and Native Services Coordinator	Institutions and Administration	85.0	0.0	85.0
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\* Replaces expired federal funds for a Rural/Native Services Coordinator who directs the suicide prevention, rural research and rural mental health paraprofessional training curriculum and certification programs.

Child/Adolescent Services Staff	Institutions and Administration	110.0	0.0	110.0
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\* Replaces expired federal funds for a Child and Adolescent Services Coordinator and support position. Positions are required to continue efforts to develop community-based services for emotionally disturbed children, adolescents, and their families.

DD Staff	Institutions and Administration	200.0	0.0	200.0
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\* In FY 89, DD Program Specialists were added in the Northern and Southeast Regions. This increment funds a specialist and support position to coordinate and monitor the needs of DD persons in the Southcentral Region. A DD Specialist is also requested to develop special services for children, adolescents, and adults with difficult behavior problems.

API Forensic Team	Institutions and Administration	150.0	0.0	150.0
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\* Funds a psychiatrist, mental health clinician and clerk typist for six months to expand screening, court ordered evaluations, and training outside the Anchorage area.

Mental Health Trust

<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>HRU</u>	<u>GF \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
API Fund Replacement	Institutions and Administration	400.0	0.0	400.0

\* Replaces third party program receipt shortfall resulting largely from changes in Veteran's Administration payment criteria.

Infant Learning Program Increases	Health Grants	280.0	0.0	280.0
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\* Developmentally disabled infants 0-3 years of age who can receive home based special education are much better prepared to benefit from specialized services when they are older. This increment provides funds for ILP grantees to service more handicapped children statewide.

Public Inebriate/ Chronic Alcoholic	Alcohol Abuse Grants	1115.0	0.0	1150.0
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\* Inebriated individuals pose a danger to themselves and others. This increment provides funds to communities with the highest need to develop emergency and treatment services for public inebriates, and to expand treatment to chronic alcoholics.

Community Support Services	SOADA Administration	100.0	0.0	100.0
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\* Funds research and evaluation of issues pertaining to chronic alcoholics in order to assess the State's response and assist in resource allocation. Also funds a health surveyor to assist grantees in program development; and support funds for the Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Board.

Maintenance and Operation of Facilities

<u>Program</u>	<u>BRU</u>	<u>GF \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
Ketchikan Health Center	State Health Services	27.5	0.0	27.5

*\* Funds for six months of additional operating expenses for the new facility.*

Public Protection

<u>Program</u>	<u>BRU</u>	<u>GF \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
McLaughlin Youth Center	Youth Services	130.0	0.0	130.0

*\* Funds minimum staffing level required to maintain facility safety and security, and non-discretionary resident services.*

Tuberculosis Services	State Health Services	63.0	0.0	63.0
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*\* The Indian Health Service has reduced expenditures for tuberculosis surveillance activities among Alaska Natives. These funds will replace those federal funds and provide for an on-site visit to follow-up on each reported case, to interview the patient and to provide preventive therapy to all contacts.*

Hepatitis Testing	State Health Services	66.0	0.0	66.0
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*\* A possible 30,000 cases are estimated to occur largely in rural Alaska. Supplies are needed for the State Public Health Labs to perform basic tests.*

Critical Children's Needs

<u>Program</u>	<u>BRU</u>	<u>GF \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
Residential Child Care	Purchased Services	559.0	278.0	837.0

\* Funds necessary out-of-home care for abused and neglected children, and delinquent adolescents. Increment funds increased out-of-state placement needs for the most severely disturbed children in state custody; annualizes FY 89 partial funding for specialized treatment beds; and evaluation efforts.

Anchorage Staffing Crisis	Family Services	400.0	600.0	1000.0
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\* An explosion of child abuse and neglect reports has occurred in Anchorage. This increment funds 23 additional social workers, case aides and clerical staff needed to provide intake and mandated investigation services required to assure children's safety. \$600.0 of the increment is funded by capturing enhanced federal funds.

Northwestern Staff Support	Family Services	109.5	0.0	109.5
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\* An additional social worker and support position is needed in Nome to keep up with child abuse and neglect investigations in the eleven villages surrounding Nome.

Separation/Removal of Children from Adult Jails	Family Services	53.3	15.9	69.2
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\* Although State and Federal laws require protection of incarcerated juveniles by requiring their separation from adult prisoners, some jails in the State still hold juveniles in adult facilities which do not provide sight and sound separation. These funds will help provide safe conditions for incarcerated juveniles and help monitor compliance with the State and Federal laws.

NCAST Coordinator	State Health Services	67.5	0.0	67.5
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\* Public Health Nurses are in an ideal position to help high risk families improve their parenting skills during the first four months of newborns and to prevent child violence patterns before they begin. The Department plans to implement Nursing Child Assessment Satellite Training (NCAST), the highest level of parenting training available today. A coordinator is vital to the success of this program.

Critical Children's Needs

<u>Program</u>	<u>BRU</u>	<u>GF \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
WIC Program	State Health Services	481.0	1691.4	2172.4

\* Alaska has the lowest WIC participation rate in the U.S. Small amounts of money for clinics allow clients to be seen which resulted in an additional 1.69 million in federal food money in FY 90. Increments should allow department to capture and retain an additional \$1 - \$2 million in federal food money for poor pregnant women and infants in FY 91.

Federal Mandates/Revenue Enhancements

<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>FOI</u>	<u>GF \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
Welfare Reform	Public Assistance Admin.	295.0	295.0	590.0

*In October, 1988, the President signed the most comprehensive overhaul of the AFDC System since 1935. The law mandates fundamental change from an income maintenance program to an education, training and work program with guaranteed medical and child care coverage. Implementation staff are needed to coordinate efforts among five effected departments, write field manuals, reprogram computer systems and train 350 field staff in FY 90.*

Title IV-E Eligibility Determination	Public Assistance Admin.	71.9	71.9	143.8
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*Funds a position upgrade and three new workers needed to increase state's collection for federal child welfare foster care claims by as much as \$1 million a year.*

MMIS Increases	Medical Assist. Admin.	616.5	553.4	1169.9
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*Funds two essential activities related to the processing of \$125 million/year in medical assistance claims: increased claims volume processing costs, and improved cost management through tighter review of utilization patterns and rates.*

OBRA - 87	Medical Assist. Admin.	192.4	150.5	342.9
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*This year Congress passed major nursing home reform legislation which requires states to beef up surveillance of nursing homes and physician laboratories; and mandates all nurse aids be registered and trained and to screen all mentally ill and mentally retarded patients in nursing homes to ensure they are receiving active treatment. Patient abuse reporting systems are also strengthened. Increment funds two health facility licensing surveyors, a registered nurse, and a laboratory specialist required to implement the new requirements.*

Medical Assistance Program and Policy Options	Medical Assist. Admin.	344.2	210.9	555.1
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*State is currently crippled in its ability to take advantage of Medicaid federal match for existing services or to analyze new, less expensive payment policies. Increment requests 3 program staff which could leverage millions of state dollar savings, and requests funds for legal costs to adequately defend State against \$18 million dollar upper limit dispute.*

Federal Mandates/Revenue Enhancements

<u>PROJECT</u>	<u>BRU</u>	<u>GF \$</u>	<u>Other \$</u>	<u>Total \$</u>
Reduce Backlog of Required Audits/ Hearing Officer	Administrative Services and Medical Rate Compliance	134.5	134.5	269.0

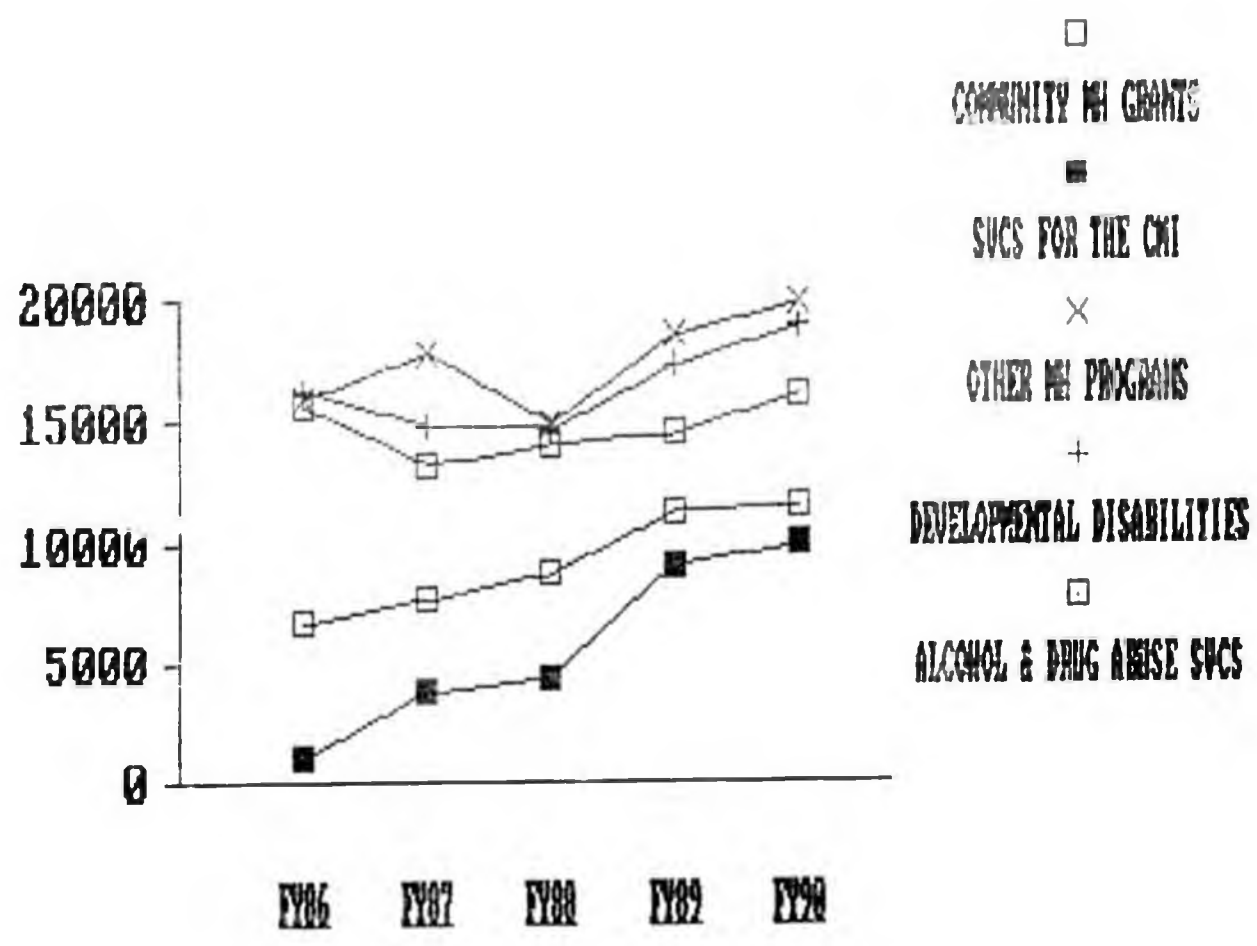
\* The State has not performed audits on approximately \$200 million in payments to hospitals and nursing homes. Funds approximately 40 Medicaid audits required to comply with federal and to calculate prospective rates for nursing homes and hospitals. Also funds a full time Hearing Officer required to ensure timely Medicaid Rate appeal hearings.

HOUSE HESS COMMITTEE

- 1) CALL MEETING TO ORDER
- 2) NOTE MONTH/DAY/YEAR    Thursday, January 12, 1989
- 3) NOTE TIME:
- 4) NOTE MEMBERS PRESENT AND EXCUSED  
    (For the record, note any late arrivals to the meeting)
- 5) RECOGNIZE VIP'S
- 6) COMMITTEE CALENDAR:  
    A Continuation of the Dept. of Health and Social Services -  
    Budget and Policy Review
- 7) FOR THIS MEETING, EACH MEMBER HAS BEEN GIVEN:  
    Assorted hand-outs from DHSS
- 8) PLEASE ANNOUNCE:  
    In order to keep better track of our files, please do not  
    take your files with you after committee meetings. Any time  
    that you or your staff want access to your files, please  
    check them out through our committee secretary.
- 9) COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE:  
    Friday, January 13, 1989: No Meeting  
    Tuesday, Jan. 17: DOE - Budget & Policy Overview  
    Wednesday, Jan. 18:  
        HB 16: Appropriations for certain pass through grant  
            programs  
        HB 4: Deadlines for action on Public Ed. funding  
    Thursday, Jan. 19:  
        HB 21: Negotiations between school boards and their  
            employees  
        HB 24: Credited service for part-time teachers in TERS  
    Friday, Jan. 20:  
        HB 63: Continuing the State Board of Parole  
        HB 46: Extending the termination date of the Council on  
            Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault
- 10) ANNOUNCE TIME OF ADJOURNMENT

FIVE YEAR PROGRAM GROWTH

THOUSANDS OF \$



CATEGORY	FY86	FY87	FY88	FY89	FY90	Change In % FY86-FY90
Community MH Grants	6,632.6	7,631.8	8,736.1	11,248.3	11,567.3	74%
SVCS for the CMI	1,060.0	3,760.6	4,423.8	9,058.0	9,958.0	839%
Other MH Programs	15,965.2	17,760.7	14,879.0	18,527.2	19,875.9	24%
<b>TOTAL Mental Health</b>	<b>23,657.8</b>	<b>29,153.1</b>	<b>28,038.9</b>	<b>38,833.5</b>	<b>41,401.1</b>	<b>75%</b>
Developmental Disabilities	16,254.9	14,743.6	14,639.2	17,248.7	18,916.0	16%
Alcohol & Drug Abuse SVCS	15,558.6	13,142.2	14,093.0	14,479.3	16,097.0	3%

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*Validation Research  
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