

**Behavioral Health Administration – Alcohol and Substance Abuse
070 - M2 - CP - BHO RATE ADJUSTMENT**

Agency Submittal: 11-2017-19-YR Agency Req

Budget Period: 2017-19

SUMMARY

The Behavioral Health Administration (BHA) requests a funding placeholder for Behavioral Health Organization (BHO) rate adjustment in order to carry rates developed after the current biennia into the 2017-19 biennial budget.

PROBLEM STATEMENT

The Behavioral Health Organization funding is based on the Medicaid Forecast Council Forecast and actuarially developed rates. The rates were updated are currently being developed by the actuary and need to be carried into the 2017-19 biennial budget for the Medicaid rates.

PROPOSED SOLUTION

Provide funding for the actuarially developed rates to Behavioral Health Organizations (BHO) for services to eligible populations.

EXPECTED RESULTS

The BHOs will have sufficient funding to provide the care needed for their clients.

STAKEHOLDER IMPACT

BHOs and eligible clients will continue to receive benefits and assistance. This proposal is routine in nature and expected to have support from stakeholders with no known opposition.

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DSHS VISION

People are healthy • People are safe • People are supported • Taxpayer resources are guarded

DSHS MISSION

To transform lives

DSHS VALUES

Honesty and Integrity • Pursuit of Excellence • Open Communication • Diversity and Inclusion • Commitment to Service

OTHER CONNECTIONS

Performance Outcomes/Important Connections

1. Does this DP provide essential support to one or more of the Governor's Results Washington priorities?

Goal 4: Healthy & Safe Communities - Healthy People - Provide access to good medical care to improve people's lives.

2. The decision package meets the following DSHS' strategic objectives:

1.1: State psychiatric hospitals will be safer for staff and patients.

3. Identify other important connections or impacts below. (Indicate 'Yes' or 'No'. If 'Yes' identify the connections or impacts related to the proposal.)

- a) Regional/County impacts? Yes, the Behavioral Health Organizations are impacted by this request.
- b) Other local government impacts? Yes, the Behavioral Health Organizations are impacted by this request.
- c) Tribal government impacts? No
- d) Other state agency impacts? No
- e) Responds to specific task force, report, mandate or executive order? No
- f) Does request contain a compensation change or require changes to a Collective Bargaining Agreement? No
- g) Facility/workplace needs or impacts? No
- h) Capital budget impacts? No
- i) Is change required to existing statutes, rules or contracts? Yes, contracts will be amended to incorporate the rate adjustment.
- j) Is the request related to litigation? No
- k) Is the request related to Puget Sound recovery? No
- l) Other important connections? No

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4. Please provide a detailed discussion of connections/impacts identified above.

The actuarially developed rates adjustment necessitates a change in the funding provided for the forecasted program.

Alternatives/Consequences/Other

5. What alternatives were explored by the agency, and why was this alternative chosen?

There are no alternatives to this request because the actuarially developed rates adjustment necessitates a funding adjustment.

6. How has or can the agency address the issue or need within its current appropriation level?

If this request is not funded, persons eligible for series will not receive them.

7. Does this decision package include funding for any IT-related costs (hardware, software, services, cloud-based services, contracts or IT staff)?

- No
- Yes (Include an IT Addendum)