


Early Intervention/Infant Learning Programs (EI/ILP) Budget

\$10,041.7 (\$1859.1 Fed, \$758.1 I/A Rcpts, \$7,425.5 GFMH)

- Serves Children 0-3 with developmental disabilities with a 50% delay or more (25% in many other states)
- Provides specialized services for infants and toddlers to increase functional abilities
- High risk because of \$7.42 M of GF/MH, but federal Maintenance of Effort (MOE) requirements mitigate this
- Council gets \$110.0 to support work as the Interagency Coordinating Council (ICC)



Governor's Council on Disabilities and Special Education Budget

Current Year \$1,829.2 (\$1,110 Fed, \$314.7 I/A Rcpts, \$25 GFMH, \$378.7 MHTAAR)--Down \$300 K from prior years

- Down to 7 positions from 10 three years ago). Transferred one admin position to SDS (3 PWD's, 2 sibling, 1 parent)
- \$360 K annual federal employment grant ends Sept. 30, with nothing new to replace it, but looking. Only have \$570.0 of federal funding identified
- IA receipts: \$210.0 Identified
- GFMH: \$25 K used to be match to ME
- MHTARR: \$127.4 RA3, and \$100 BEE in SOI's, leaves room for increasing BEE up to \$151.3.
- Significant funding was RSA'd to Center for Human Development(CHD) but no longer able to afford this




Community Developmental Disabilities Grants

Current Year \$7.3M (\$57.8 IA Rcpts, \$6.7M, GFMH)

- Was supposed to go through Dec. 31, but now extended to end of year but transition of most folks to ISW by March 31.


FY 19 – elimination of program in favor of Individual Supports Waiver (ISW)

- Some funds held back for contingencies but now under a combining Senior and Disabilities Community Based Grants Component



UAA Center for Human Development (CHD) & Misc

- **\$984.0** (MHTARR) Alaska Training Cooperative
- **\$80.0** (MHTARR) Interpersonal Violence Prevention for Beneficiaries-Justice
- **\$65.0** (MHTARR) Supported Employment Infrastructure and Capacity (Beneficiary Engagement & Employment)
- **\$50.0** (MHTARR) Autism Resource Center at Special Education Service Agency



Overview of FY 19 Budget Capital

- **\$1,000.0** (UGF) Public and Community Transportation State Match is in Governor's Budget – same as FY 18
- **\$1,300** (\$800GFMH/\$300MHTAAR) Coordinated Transportation funding in budget – increase of \$250.0
- **\$500.0** (\$250GFMH/\$250 MHTARR) Essential Program Equipment
- **\$1,050.0** (\$750 GFMH/\$300 MHTARR) Home Mods & Upgrades
- **\$3,700.0** (\$1,750 AHFC/\$1,750 GFMH/\$300 MHTARR) Special Needs Housing Grants




Legislative Priorities

- **Developmental Disability Vision and Values Codified in State Law**
 - Senate Bill? Sponsored by Senator Micciche
- **Supported Decision Making Agreements**
 - House Bill ? Sponsored by Reps _____
 - Makes agreements legal as alternative to full guardianship
 - Takes pressure off overburdened Office of Public Advocacy (OPA)
- **Bills that increase revenues that contribute to a stable government and state economy**




Other Legislation We Support

- **HB 106:** Civil Legal Services Fund
- **HB 202/SB 80:** Telecommunications for Disabled Subscribers
- **HJR 20:** Maintain Health Insurance for Medicaid Expansion Group
- **HB: 258:** Establish Commission on Deaf and Hard of Hearing & Deaf Bill of Rights
- Trust Revenue Restructuring bill




Legislation We are Not Sure of at this Point

- **HB 54:** Voluntary Termination of Life
- **SB127:** Repeal of SB 91?




Federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act Impacts on Persons w/Disabilities

- Individual Mandate under Affordable Care Act (ACA) – repealed
- Disabled Access Credit – kept
- Work Opportunity Tax Credit - kept
- Orphan Drug credit - reduced to 25%
- Impacts on discretionary and non-discretionary funding could be massive down the road
- ABLE: 529 College Savings Plan Rollover and ABLE to Work Amendments passed through this act




General Comments & GCDSE News

- Council Meeting Jan.30-Feb 2 in Juneau (EPH)
- Inclusive Practice Award (Special Ed. Conference) Feb.6 Anchorage (Hilton)
- FASD 5 Year Plan Finished
- Key Campaign, March 1-2 in Juneau
- Full Lives Conference, April 12-13, Anchorage; New this year is a combined effort with SDS to make this also their statewide Care Coordinators Conference; & Direct Service Awards.
- National Disability Policy Seminar, April 23-25




Education Committee

- Review and response to Annual Performance Review/SSIP reports from DEED
- Developed SEAP training on statutory authority/best practices
- Advised Legislative Committee - need for legislation to clarify district responsibilities to students during short term out-of-district residential psychiatric treatment; draft bill started
- Advised Commissioner on possible obstacles for students with disabilities regarding the Alaska Performance Scholarship
- Participate in Monthly Leadership Council with Commissioner Johnson
- Proposed legislation affecting education of children who are deaf or hard of hearing



DD Committee and Medicaid Ad Hoc Committee


- Public comment given to SDS on new regulation package around Community First Choice (CFC - 1915k state plan option) and the Individualized Support Waiver (ISW)
- Supported Decision Making Work Group begun
 - Proposed legislation for SDMAs, coordinating pilot project, creating training module on SDMAs for private attorneys, researching full guardianship in senior population
- The Workforce Work Group survey to caregivers to ascertain barriers of obtaining and maintaining employment was completed and will go out soon



I/DD Waiver vs. ISW Offered Services:


Service	IDD Waiver	ISW
Care Coordination*	X	X
Residential Habilitation (4 services)		
• Family Habilitation	X	
• Group Home	X	
• In-Home Supports < 18	X	X (limited)
• Supported Living > 18	X	X (limited)
Day Habilitation	X	X
Respite	X	X
Supported Employment	X	X
Chore	X	X
Environmental Modifications	X	
Intensive Active Treatment (IAT)**	X	X
Meals	X	
Nursing Oversight and Care Management	X	
Specialized Medical Equipment	X	
Specialized Private Duty Nursing	X	
Transportation	X	X

*Care Coordination on the ISW is in addition to the individuals cost limit.
 **IAT will serve all ages until it becomes a Medicaid State Plan Service for children under age 21.




Early Intervention Committee

- Universal Developmental Screening Taskforce
- Currently conducting annual review of the State Performance Plan/Annual Performance Report (SPP/APR)
- Beginning a review of EI/ILP workforce needs to gather information on strengths, challenges and gaps in filling programs with highly qualified professionals.
- Staff and the EIC chair are participating in a Fiscal Action Planning Group that is reviewing a fiscal tool in preparation for a monitoring visit from OSEP in March.



Employment First Progress Reporting

- Repeal of subminimum wage in Alaska (DOLWD)
- Transition handbook launched
- MOU with Employment First Philosophy (DHSS & DOLWD)
- Employment First Job Fair entering 4th year (DHSS & DOLWD)
- Business Employment Services Team (BEST) continued **joint employer engagement efforts** (DOLWD & DHSS)
- Increased focus on transition through Jobz Clubs, Transition Camps, and summer work experiences (DOLWD & DEED)
- Alaska Interagency Transition Council (DEED & DOLWD)
- **Regulation changes** - integrated settings regulation package included employment first language of “employment and work in competitive, integrated settings” (DHSS)



Alaska ABLE Update

- Currently Alaska has:
 - ☐ 94 funded ABLE Accounts
 - ☐ \$395,771 in funds
- The Council worked with DOR on reporting to the Alaska Legislature
- Continued Outreach for 2018:
 - ☐ Individuals with disabilities & families
 - ☐ Service providers
 - ☐ State agencies



Questions ?

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