

Division of Mental Health and Addiction Services



FY23 APPROPRIATIONS ACT HIGHLIGHTS

QUARTERLY PROVIDERS MEETING SEPTEMBER 2022



Recap: FY23 Governor's Budget

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Growth Items:

- **Increased Wage Rates for Community Providers - \$27 million**

DMHAS will have additional funding to increase Fee for Service Rates and cost reimbursement contracts. In addition, Medicaid rates for behavioral health services will be increased. Note: Additional \$12 million federal impact estimated (in Medicaid) results in gross increase of \$39 million.

- **988 Suicide and Crisis Helpline - \$12.8 million**

Resources to implement the new 988 Helpline across the State.

- **Annualized Cost of FY22 Olmstead Placements - \$3.9 million**

Provides funding needed to annualize the cost of 200 placements estimated to occur in 4th quarter of FY22.

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- **Support of Patients in County Psychiatric Hospitals Trend - \$1.99 million**
Additional funding needed due to higher per diem rates.
- **Community Based Substance Use Disorder Treatment and Prevention - State Share - \$1.5 million**
Replaces funding that had been provided by the Drug Education and Demand Reduction (DEDR) Fund.
- **Increased Diversion Bed Rates for Uninsured Individuals - \$1.2 million.**
DMHAS will have additional funding to increase per diem rates for the Diversion bed providers.
- **Salaries and Wages - \$.4 million**
Additional funding to bolster staffing at DMHAS.
- **New Beginnings Behavioral Health - \$150K**
Funding of services to provider in Camden County.

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- **Community Care (Mental Health) – (\$5 million.)**

Baseline appropriations will be reduced by \$5 million, reflecting general underspending in the Division's State-funded mental health Grants-in-Aid. DMHAS believes there are still sufficient appropriations to fund all existing programs. Division continuously monitors accounts and spending needs to determine availability of funds.

Additional Growth: Appropriation Act Changes

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	State	Federal	Total	Comment
MH Professionals Capacity Expansion	5,620		5,620	<i>\$4 million for 10 additional Psych Residency Slots</i>
Enhance Screening Contracts	1,500		1,500	<i>Facilitate Mobile Outreach, Satellite Offices, etc. in Screening programs</i>
Bilingual Mental Health Professional Residencies	1,000		1,000	<i>To support the development of bilingual and/or bicultural professionals.</i>
988 Mobile Outreach	16,000		16,000	<i>Facilitate mobile response to 988 calls.</i>
Teen Mental Health First Aid (tMHFA) Pilot				<i>Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF): Expansion of an existing contract to increase the number of high schools trained in tMHFA.</i>
		2,700	2,700	
Higher Education Peer (student) Wellness Activities				<i>SLFRF: In collaboration with OSHE, work with colleges and universities to introduce/expand wellness activities.</i>
		2,400	2,400	
Mental Health First Aid for Youth				<i>SLFRF: In collaboration with OSHE, provide MHFA instructor training on college campuses throughout NJ.</i>
		1,500	1,500	
Total Additions	24,120	6,600	30,720	

FY 2022/2023 Overall Budget (\$000)

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	FY22 Approp Act	FY23 Gov's Budget	FY23 Appropriations Act
Direct State Services <i>(includes Expanded Addictions Initiatives)</i>	36,978	37,638	37,638
Grants in Aid	414,892	456,399	480,519
State Aid	120,718	122,711	122,711
Total State General Fund	572,588	616,748	640,868
Federal Funds	311,123	323,407	355,407
Dedicated Funds	12,850	12,850	12,850
Total Budget	896,561	953,005	1,009,125

Excludes funding from other agencies, e.g., from Judiciary for Recovery Court.



FY23 Appropriations Act

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- All other appropriation line items from FY22 remain the same.
- ***Appropriations Act illustrates the Administration's and Legislature's commitment to funding critical behavioral health services in New Jersey.***