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To:ABH MembersFrom:Mandy Gilman, Director of Public Policy and ResearchRe:Preliminary Analysis of the House Fiscal Year 2014 Budget Recommendations

The House voted to approve their amended version of the Fiscal Year 2014 Budget (H3401) at the end of April.

Changes from the House Ways and Means version of the budget include -

- Restores \$3 million in the adult community services line item (5046-0000) however this line item still remains below maintenance level funding
- Language reiterating that funding must be expended for the Child Psychiatry Access Project (5042-5000).
- An increase of approximately \$936,000 in the main BSAS line item **(4512-0200)** to pay for the insertion of earmarks of \$100,000 for Self Esteem Boston, \$100,000 for the New Beginnings program, \$25,000 for the Charlestown Against Drugs program, and \$300,000 for integrated treatment and stabilization services for individuals with co-occurring mental health and addiction disorders.
- Restores \$2 million in the BSAS step down recovery services line item (4512-0201) to provide level funding.
- Partially restores the BSAS jail diversion program line item (4512-0202) with \$1 million.
- Restores the BSAS family intervention and care management line item (4512-0203) with \$1.5 million.
- Funds a one-time salary reserve payment of \$7.5 million if the state ends Fiscal Year 2013 with adequate surplus funds (Outside Section 74)

The Senate Committee on Ways and Means is expected to release their budget recommendations in mid-May. Amendments to the budget are then filed by Senate membership and the Senate debates their budget near the end of May. After each chamber has approved its version of the budget, the Senate President and House Speaker will make appointments to a conference committee to resolve differences between the House and Senate spending bills and produce a final legislative budget known as a conference committee report.

The conference committee report will be voted either up or down (no amendments are permitted) by each chamber, and if approved, sent to the Governor who will have ten days to review the budget and return his vetoes and recommendations for amendment.



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# **Department of Mental Health**

Line item/program	FY'11 Spending	FY'12 Spending	Final FY'13 Approved	FY'13 Post 9C	Governor's FY'14	House Ways & Means FY'14	House Final FY'14
5011-0100	<b>\$</b> 22,424,222	<b>\$</b> 00 <b>7</b> 10 050		(\$338,057)	<b>*</b> ~~~~~~~~	<b>*</b> 07 500 407	<b>*07 500 407</b>
Operations Account	\$26,401,636	\$26,748,859	\$27,373,198	\$27,035,141	\$28,075,844	\$27,532,107	\$27,532,107
5042-5000				(\$1,890,000)			
Child/Adolescent Services	\$71,773,509	\$71,805,352	\$76,816,757	\$74,926,757	\$86,284,967	\$84,622,740	\$84,622,740
<b>5046-0000</b> Adult Community Services	\$326,755,801**	\$332,466,264**	\$344,027,150	<b>(\$1,962,186)</b> \$344,064,965	\$354,162,452	\$345,868,606	\$348,868,606
<b>5046-2000</b> Statewide Homelessness Initiative	\$20,134,424	\$20,134,424	\$20,134,424	\$20,134,424	\$20,134,424	\$20,134,424	\$20,134,424
<b>5047-0001</b> Emergency Services/Acute Inpatient	\$34,122,197	\$35,134,207	\$35,242,254	<b>(\$500,000)</b> \$34,742,257	\$36,742,254	\$34,910,632	\$34,910,632
<b>5055-0000</b> Forensic services for the mentally ill	\$8,081,928	\$8,104,964	\$8,321,818	\$8,321,818	\$8,321,818	\$8,297,163	\$8,297,163
5046-4000							
CHOICE program RR	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,00	\$125,000
5095-0015				(\$2,723,359)			
State psychiatric hospitals	\$143,900,803	\$146,803,087	\$159,313,321	\$164,589,962*	\$162,625,002	\$172,216,512	\$172,216,512
5095-0017 Trust Fund Contributions		\$10,000,000					
TOTAL	\$631,295,298**	\$651,327,157**	\$671,353,922	\$673,940,324	\$696,471,761	\$693,707,184	\$696,707,184

\* includes transfers \*\* includes Supplemental funding



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#### **Overview:**

The Department of Mental Health is funded at \$693,707,184. This represents an increase of approximately \$23 million over FY13 projected spending.

5011-0100 Operations. Funding in this line item was increased by \$500,000 over FY13 projected spending.

**5042-5000 Child/Adolescent Mental Health Services.** This funding was increased by \$10 million over FY13 projected spending. DMH has previously noted that this line item will partially fund the DMH/DCF Caring Together joint procurement.

The account retains past language enabling the DMH Commissioner to allocate funds from this account to other EOHHS departments in order to support services for children and adolescents "stuck" in inappropriately restrictive settings due to lack of more appropriate placements. It also contains anguage requiring funds be spent on the Massachusetts Child Psychiatry Access Project (MCPAP).

**5046-0000 Adult Mental Health Community Services.** This account has an approximately \$4.8 million increase in funding over FY13. It contains previously included language requiring DMH to allocate up to \$5 million from the inpatient account (5095-0015) as necessary for "community services" for consumers formerly receiving care at DMH facilities. It contains language requiring DMH to spend at least as much funding on clubhouses as they did in FY13, and to preserve funding for all jail diversion programs in municipalities that provide equal matching funds from the previous fiscal year. The line item language also requires DMH to issue a report to both House and Senate Ways and Means on the distribution of funds per adult and child planning population and the type of services received in each region for FY14 by February 3, 2014.

**5046-2000 Homelessness Services**. This account is level-funded.

**5047-0001 Emergency Services/Acute Inpatient.** This account is funded at \$34,910,632, a small increase of under \$200,000 from FY13 spending.

**5055-0000 Forensic Services.** This line item was funded at \$8,297,163, approximately \$25,000 less than FY13. The line item notes funding may be expended for juvenile court clinics.



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**5046-4000 CHOICE program Retained Revenue.** This line item is level funded at \$125,000. This account allows DMH to retain up to \$125,000 in revenue they collect from occupancy fees charged to participants in the CHOICE housing program. The fees must then be used for the routine maintenance and repair of CHOICE facilities.

**5095-0015 State Psychiatric Hospitals.** This line item includes an approximate \$8 million increase over projected FY13 spending and requires DMH to continue to operate 626 inpatient beds in its system for FY14. Forty five of these beds must remain at Taunton State Hospital until the Mental Health Study Committee, established in last year's budget, releases the final report.

In addition, this account contains language mirroring that in the adult community account (5046-0000) which permits the transfer of up to \$5 million from this account to the adult community account for "community services" for consumers formerly receiving inpatient care.



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#### **Department of Public Health/Bureau of Substance Abuse Services**

Line item/program	Final FY'11**	FY '12 Spending	Final FY'13 Approved	Final FY'13 – Post 9C	Governor's FY'14	House Ways & Means FY'14	House Final FY'14
4512-0200				(\$135,417)			
BSAS Programming & Operations	\$75,185,802	\$74,810,802	\$77,164,595	\$77,029,178	\$83,858,094	\$83,696,690	\$84,633,094
4512-0201							
Step-Down Services	\$4,800,000	\$4,800,000	\$4,800,000	\$4,800,000	\$4,800,000	\$2,800,000	\$4,800,000
<b>4512-0202</b> Secure Treatment Facilities for Opiate Addiction/ Jail Diversion	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$0	\$1,000,000
<b>4512-0203</b> Intervention, Care Management, and Young Adult Treatment Program	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$0	\$1,500,000
Substance Abuse Service Fund				\$6,750,000***	\$3,250,000***	\$3,250,000***	\$3,250,000***
TOTAL les supplemental funding	\$83,485,802	\$83,110,802	\$85,464,595	\$92,079,179	\$95,408,094	\$89,746,690	\$95,183,094

\*\*Includes supplemental funding

\*\*\*This is carryover trust fund money from the FY12 allocation of \$10m. \$6.75m of this funding was used in FY13 for the Section 35 expansion programs, and \$3.25 of the funding will carry forward past the current July 1, 2013 expiration.

#### **Overview:**

The House Ways and Means budget funds the Bureau of Substance Abuse Services (BSAS) at \$95.1 million. This represents an increase of approximately \$3 million over FY13 spending.



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**4512-0200 BSAS Programming and Operations**. This account is funded at approximately \$83.6 million, an increase of \$7.6 million. This line item requires programs that received funding in FY13 to receive the same percentage of funding in FY14. It also includes earmarks of \$250,000 be expended for a pilot program for young adults aged 17 to 25 to address substance abuse issues, \$100,000 for Self Esteem Boston, \$100,000 for the New Beginnings program, \$25,000 for the Charlestown Against Drugs program, and \$300,000 for integrated treatment and stabilization services for individuals with co-occurring mental health and addiction disorders.

**4512-0201 Step-Down Services**. This account is level funded at \$4.8 million. The language states that the account will fund "substance abuse step-down recovery services, otherwise known as level-B beds and services, and other critical recovery services with severely reduced capacity."

**4512-0202 Pilot Jail Diversion Program**. This account is funded at \$1 million, a reduction of \$1 million from FY13 spending and preserves the language outlining the program. The account appropriates funding for pilot jail diversion programs primarily for nonviolent offenders with OxyContin or heroin addiction. The programs will be procured by the Department of Public Health, shall have at least 60 beds, and shall provide clinical assessment services to the respective courts, inpatient treatment for up to 90 days and ongoing case management services for up to one year.

**4512-0203 Family Intervention, Care Management, and Young Adult Treatment Pilot Program**. This account is level-funded at \$1.5 million. The language states that this appropriation is "for family intervention and care management services programs, a young adult treatment program, and early intervention services for individuals who are dependent on or addicted to alcohol or controlled substances or both alcohol and controlled substances."

**Substance Abuse Services Fund.** \$10 million was included in a supplemental budget (Ch. 142 of the Acts of 2011) for the purpose of expanding inpatient treatment facilities and ongoing case management services for persons who are civilly committed under Section 35. BSAS expects \$6.75m of this fund will be expended in FY13 for the expansion. The House Ways and Means budget extends the deadline to allow the additional \$3.25 million to be used before January 1, 2014 (Outside Section 60).



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## Executive Office of Health & Human Services (EOHHS)/Office of MassHealth

Line item/program	Final FY '11**	FY '12 Spending	Final FY'13	Final FY'13 Post 9C	Governor's FY14	House Ways & Means FY'14	House Final FY'14
4000-0300							
EOHHS Admin. Account 4000-0500	\$89,970,271**	\$86,557,878**	\$87,224,888	\$87,244,888	\$90,598,693	\$88,105,816	\$88,785,816
				(\$86,130,000)			
Managed Care Plans	\$3,772,835,669	\$3,980,487,347	\$4,167,478,376	\$4,257,117,147**	\$4,552,960,913	\$4,499,411,805	\$4,500,411,804
4000-0700				(\$26,800,000)			
MassHealth Fee for Service Payments	\$2,009,447,966	\$1,809,829,381	\$1,957,480,126	\$1,819,111,138**	\$2,247,826,061	\$2,145,499,061	\$2,159,099.061
4000-0870							
MassHealth Basic	\$165,351,318	\$170,608,370	\$178,759,689	\$172,080,738**	\$180,437,109	\$180,437,109	\$180,437,109
4000-1405							
MassHealth Essential	\$389,757,408	\$493,458,055	\$505,998,456	\$466,755,623**	\$489,878,244	\$489,878,244	\$489,878,244
4000-0950							
Children's Behavioral Health							
Initiative	\$214,743,708	\$214,743,708	\$221,549,097	\$179,743,708**	\$203,237,576	\$203,200,101	\$203,200,101
4000-0114							
Human Service Pilot		\$1,000,000**	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,500,000	\$0	\$0

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**4000-0300** Administrative. The House Ways and Means budget funds the EOHHS & MassHealth Administration line item at \$88,785,816, a \$860,928 increase over projected FY13 spending.

The line item also retains language forbidding expenditures on programs that are not federally reimbursable (including those related to Medicaid, SCHIP, the Section 1115 Waiver or the Community First Section 1115 demonstration waiver) except as for administration of the Executive Office for the equivalent of MassHealth Standard benefits for children under 21 who are in the care/custody of DYS or DCF, for dental benefits provided to clients of DDS who are age 21 or older, or cost containment efforts the purposes and amounts which have been submitted to Executive Office of Administration and Finance and to the House and Senate Committees on Ways & Means thirty days before making such expenditures.

The account retains recurring language forbidding EOHHS/Center for Health Information and Analysis from implementing provider rate increases in the absence of "all measures possible" under the federal Social Security Act (which includes Medicaid) "to ensure that rates of payment to providers do not exceed such rates as are necessary to meet only those costs which must be incurred by efficiently and economically operated providers in order to provide services of adequate quality."

Language is also retained that permits EOHHS to recover provider overpayments made in the current and prior fiscal years and that EOHHS may collect directly from a liable third party any amounts paid to providers, if no other course of recoupment is possible.

The account retains language requiring the DMH Commissioner to approve prior authorization and other restrictions on medication used to treat mental illness "in accordance with written policies, procedures and regulations" of DMH.

**4000-0500 Managed Care Plans.** This account is funded at \$4,500,411,804. This is an increase of approximately \$243 million over FY13 projected spending. The line item includes an earmark to spend not less than \$1,000,000 in the FY14 capitated rate for PCC behavioral health inpatient providers.

The line item states that funds shall be used for health care services provided to medical assistance recipients under the Executive Office's Primary Care Clinician, mental health and substance abuse plan or through a health maintenance organization under contract with the Executive Office and for MassHealth Benefits provided to children, adolescents and adults under clauses (a.) to (d.) and clause (h.) sub-section (2) of the Medicaid law. The language also directs that no funds shall be expended for children and adolescents under clause (c.) subsection (2) of the Medicaid law whose family incomes exceed 150% of the federal poverty level.



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**4000-0700 MassHealth Fee-for-Service Payments**. This account is funded at \$2,159,099,061. This represents an increase of approximately \$340 million over FY13 spending.

The line item includes language stating that children who have aged out of the custody of the DCF shall be eligible for MassHealth benefits until they reach age 21 and states that funds may be used for individuals who qualify for early intervention. The line item includes language permitting EOHHS to reduce premiums and/or co-pays or to offer other incentives to encourage MassHealth members to comply with wellness goals. The budget also retains language permitting the use of funds for disability determination activities, utilization management and review, and patient screenings and evaluations.

**4000-0870 MassHealth Basic**. This account is funded at \$180,437,109 which represents a little over \$8 million increase from FY13 projected spending.

**4000-1405 MassHealth Essential.** Funding for this account increases by approximately \$23 million over projected FY13 spending. The budget adopts language similar to that included in past budgets which directs that MassHealth Essential be operated to provide "preventive and primary care for chronically unemployed persons who are not receiving unemployment insurance benefits and who are not eligible for medical assistance but who are determined by the executive office of health and human services to be long-term unemployed..." and who have incomes up to 100% of the federal poverty level.

Consistent with past budgets, account language also permits the restriction of the program to "certain providers" when taking into account capacity, continuity of care and geographic considerations. EOHHS is authorized to limit or close enrollment to ensure that expenditures do not exceed the appropriation, but the Secretary of EOHHS must notify the House and Senate Committees on Ways and Means and the Joint Committee on Health Care Financing 90 days before limiting or closing enrollment.

**4000-0950 Children's Behavioral Health Initiative**. Funding for this account was increased by \$23.5 million over projected FY13 spending. While the proposed appropriation is a decrease from FY13 appropriations, it actually represents an increase over the projected funding needed in FY13. This line item replaced the Rosie D. Reserve (1599-7050) in the FY10 budget and funding is appropriated for "administrative and program expenses associated with the children's behavioral health initiative...to provide comprehensive community-based behavioral health services to children suffering from severe emotional disturbances." The line item requires the Secretary of EOHHS to report biannually to the House and Senate on the implementation of the initiative.



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# Department of Children and Families (DCF)

						House Ways	
Line item/program	Final FY 2011**	FY 2012** Spending	Final FY'13	Final FY'13 – Post 9C	Governor's FY'14	& Means FY'14	House Final FY'14
4800-0015		oponanig		(\$275,00)			
Operations account	\$65,671,716**	\$65,257,818**	\$67,351,557	\$67,251,557*	\$69,346,589	\$67,910,267	\$67,910,267
4800-0016							
Transitional Employment Program	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$400,000	\$2,000,000
4800-0025							
Foster care review	\$2,671,274	\$2,839,006**	\$2,943,098	\$2,943,098	\$3,001,961	\$2,995,812	\$2,995,812
4800-0030							
Service Coordination/Admin.	\$6,000,000	\$10,215,181	\$6,000,000	\$6,000,000	\$6,000,000	\$0	\$0
4800-0036							
Sexual abuse intervention	\$697,508	\$697,508	\$697,508	\$697,508	\$698,740	\$699,379	\$699,379
4800-0038							
Services- Children & Families	\$247,433,594	\$238,142,461**	\$248,083,481	\$248,083,481	\$252,275,269	\$250,114,828	\$250,589,828
4800-0040				(\$558,000)			
Family Support & Stabilization	\$40,950,000	\$43,317,551**	\$44,573,551	\$44,015,551	\$45,410,551	\$44,610,551	\$44,610,551
4800-0041				(\$5,207,000)			
Group care	\$201,586,480	\$196,697,573**	\$196,935,991	\$193,128,991	\$212,967,991	\$207,967,991	\$207,967,991
4800-0091							
Social worker development	\$2,058,735	\$2,058,735	\$2,077,119	\$2,077,119	\$2,007,119	\$2,007,119	\$2,007,119
4800-0151							
Overnight placements	\$270,919	\$270,919	\$1,004,678	\$1,004,678	\$1,024,772	\$1,034,178	\$1,034,178
4800-1100				(\$470,000)			
Social workers for case mgmt.	\$155,782,354**	\$162,697,463**	\$166,188,468	\$165,718,468	\$172,833,758	\$172,501,659	\$172,501,659
4800-1400	\$20,094,458	\$20,727,114		(\$433,000)			



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Domestic Violence	e services			\$21,455,430	\$21,022,430	\$21,607,946	\$21,125,812	\$21,530,430
	TOTAL	\$742,217,038	\$744,921,329	\$759,310,881	\$753,942,881	\$789,174,696	\$771,367,596	\$773,847,214
* includes transfers	**includes su	pplemental funding						



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Overview: The FY14 DCF budget is an approximately \$19.9 million increase over projected FY13 spending.

**4800-0015 Operations Account.** This account is funded at \$67,910,267 which is an increase of approximately \$650,000.

**4800-0016 Transitional Employment Program.** This account is level funded from FY13 in the amount of \$2 million Account language states that DCF may enter into a contract with Roca, Inc. to manage the transitional employment program and "to provide services to participants from the aging out population, parolees, probationers, youth service releases, or other community residents considered to have employment needs."

4800-0030 Service Coordination/Administration. This account, which funds "lead agencies", was not funded.

**4800-0038 Services for Children and Families**. This account is funded at approximately \$250.5 million, an increase of approximately \$2.5 million over FY13 projected spending. Funding is for "guardianship, foster care, adoption, family preservation and kinship services." The line item includes a task force to study ways to reduce the costs and delays in the adoption process. The task force must report to the Governor and various judicial stakeholders before March 1, 2014. The line item also includes earmarks of \$25,000 for a planned learning achievement program for youth in Amherst, and \$50,000 for the Weymouth teen center. Lastly, the line item notes that DCF must spend the same amount on children's advocacy centers as it did in 2013

**4800-0040 Family Support and Stabilization.** This account, which funds "family prevention and unification services", is funded at \$60,000 above projected FY13 spending.

**4800-0041 Group Care.** The House budget funds this account at \$207,967,001. This is an increase of approximately \$15 million. The language in the account permits the use of funds "to provide intensive community-based services, including intensive in-home support and stabilization services, to children who would otherwise be placed in residential settings."

**4800-0151 Placement for Juvenile Offenders.** The House budget funds this line item at \$1,034,178, a small increase over FY13 spending. This account funds "alternative overnight non-secure placements for status offenders and nonviolent delinquent youths to prevent the inappropriate use of juvenile cells in police stations for such offenders".



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**4800-1100 Social Worker Case Management.** This account is funded at approximately \$172 million which is an increase of \$7 million over FY13 spending. The line item requires DCF to mitigate social worker caseloads in those areas furthest from the average of 18 to one.

**4800-1400 Domestic Violence Services.** This account is funded at approximately \$21.5 million. This account funds shelter and support services for people at risk for domestic violence as well as for the operation of the New Chardon Street Homeless Shelter. It also includes an earmark of \$75,000 for the Portal to Hope program in Everett, Malden and Medford.



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#### Human Services Salary Reserve

Line item/program	Final FY '11	Final FY '12	Final FY'13	Final FY'13 – Post 9C	Governor's FY'14	House Ways & Means FY'14	House Final FY'14
1599-6901							
Human Services Salary							
Reserve	\$0	\$10,000,000	\$20,000,000	\$20,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$7.5 million*

\*Funds the salary reserve in outside section 74 if the state ends Fiscal Year 2013 with adequate surplus funds.

**1599-6901 Salary Reserve.** The House budget funds a one-time salary reserve payment of \$7.5 million if the state ends FY13 with adequate surplus funds (Outside Section 74).



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## Other Line Items of Interest

Line item/program	Final FY 2011**	FY 2012** Spending	Final FY'13	Final FY'13 – Post 9C	Governor's FY'14	House Ways & Means FY'14	House Final FY'14
<b>3000-6075</b> Department of Early Education & Care Early Childhood Mental Health Consultations	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$750,000
<b>4512-0225</b> DPH Compulsive Gamblers Treatment Program	\$500,000	\$1,270,000	\$1,830,000	(\$560,000) \$1,270,000	\$1,270,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,500,000
4512-0103							
DPH HIV/AIDS Program	\$33,097,810	\$32,097,810	\$32,101,023	\$32,101,023	\$32,108,849	\$31,597,810	\$32,101,023
<b>4512-0106</b> DPH HIV/AIDS Drug Assistance Program	\$1,500,000	\$7,500,000	\$7,500,000	\$7,500,000	\$7,500,000	\$7,500,000	\$7,500,000
<b>4513-1026</b> DPH Statewide Suicide Prevention Program	\$3,228,120	\$3,569,443	\$3,820,455	\$3,839,455	\$3,857,550	\$3,863,305	\$3,863,305
7004-9033 Department of Housing & Community Development Rental Subsidies for DMH consumers	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000	\$4,250,000



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**3000-6075 Department of Early Education and Care Early Childhood Mental Health Consultations.** \$750,000 is appropriated for the line item (3000-6075) that funds early childhood mental health consultation services.

**4512-0225 Compulsive Gamblers Treatment Program.** The House budget appropriates \$1,500,000 to the compulsive gamblers treatment program. This represents a reduction in funding of \$330,000 due to a decrease in dedicated revenue of unclaimed lottery monies. This will be an area to monitor as casino proposals move forward because under the casino law, funding must be dedicated to treatment.

**4513-1026 Statewide Suicide Prevention and Intervention Program.** The budget also includes \$3,863,305 for the Department of Public Health's Statewide Suicide Prevention & Intervention Program. This is an increase of approximately \$24,000 over projected FY13 spending.

**4512-0103 DPH HIV/AIDS Program.** The Department of Public Health's HIV/AIDS Program is level funded at approximately \$32.1 million.

**4512-0106 HIV/AIDS Drug Assistance Program**. The HIV/AIDS drug assistance program at DPH (4512-0106) is level-funded at \$7,500,000.

**7004-9033 Department of Housing and Community Development Rental Subsidies for DMH Consumers.** This account is funded at \$4,250,000, an increase of \$250,000 over FY13 spending.



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#### **Outside Sections**

**SECTION 5. Integrated Eligibility System.** This section requires EOHHS to establish and maintain a computerized eligibility system to verify income, assets and identity when determining applicant's eligibility for assistance.

**SECTION 6. Program Integrity Bureau at EOHHS.** This section establishes a new Bureau of Program Integrity within, but not under the control of, EOHHS. The Inspector General appoints the director of the bureau. The bureau must monitor the quality, efficiency and integrity of programs administered by EOHHS, including MassHealth, Transitional Aid to Families with Dependent Children, and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program.

**SECTION 7. Standing Commission to Study the Commonwealth's Criminal Justice System.** This section establishes a standing committee to study the state's criminal justice system. The diverse group of stakeholders must include one individual with experience in mental health and substance abuse. The commission would examine a range of subjects pertaining to criminal justice.

**SECTION 18. Interagency Agreements between Department of Developmental Services (DDS) and Medicaid or DMH.** This section expands the authority of the DDS to enter into interagency service agreements from its currently statutory ability with the department of mental health to now include the office of Medicaid.

**SECTION 39. Managed Care Organization Definitions.** Amends the definition of a "managed care organization" in the chapter on MassHealth to include Integrated Care Organizations (ICOs).

**SECTION 60. Extend Substance Abuse Services Fund.** This section allows the funding left in the substance abuse services fund established in 2012 to carry forward until January 1, 2014. BSAS estimates this will be \$3.25 million.

**SECTION 64. MassHealth and Commonwealth Care Dental Services**. This section gives MassHealth and Commonwealth Care discretion to limit adult dental services as needed. It also provides that the Commonwealth Health Insurance Connector Authority include preventative procedures to any resident with a household income below 100% of the federal poverty limit.



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**SECTION 68. Funding for Payments to Certain Health Providers.** This section transfers up to \$32,307,769 in available funding from the Healthcare Payment Reform Trust Fund for implementation by EOHHS, including DPH and MassHealth. This funding may include the 2% increase in payments required under the payment reform law for MassHealth providers adopting alternative payment methods. The section also requires the Health Policy Commission to enter into an interagency agreement with the State Auditor to provide \$862,500 from the same trust fund.

**SECTION 69. UMass/Health and Human Services Interagency Service Agreements.** This section reauthorizes EOHHS to enter into interdepartmental services agreements with the UMass Medical School to perform administrative activities relative to Medicaid and other federal programs. Activities include administrative services, utilization management activities, determining eligibility, supporting case management activities, consulting services related to quality assurance, program evaluation and development, etc. and services pursuing FFP *or* cost avoidance. Federal reimbursement for any expenditure made by the medical school for services under ISA or contract to EOHHS will go directly to the school. EOHHS would be permitted to negotiate contingency fees up to \$40 million per year for up to three years for the pursuit of federal reimbursement or cost avoidance. EOHHS would be required to make quarterly reports on the projects and activities taking place under this authorization.

**SECTION 89. Special Task Force on State Verification and Eligibility.** This section establishes a task force on verification and eligibility. They are tasked with investigating and studying the development of a common eligibility standard to be applied to all public assistance programs and the fiscal impact of a common standard.

**SECTION 91. EOHHS Integrated Eligibility & Data Matching Report.** This section directs the Office of Health and Human Services to file a report with both House and Senate Ways and means before October 31, 2013 detailing the status of the integrated eligibility system and data matching with other states.

**SECTION 97. Section 1202 Trust Fund.** Establishes a trust fund for federal funding received as part of Section 1202 of the federal Affordable Care Act. For calendar years 2013 and 2014, Section 1202 of the federal Affordable Care Act requires Medicaid agencies to provide payment for certain primary care services delivered by eligible physicians consistent with federal rules set forth in <u>42 CFR</u> Part 447, Subpart G (Section 1202 Rates). The fund is eliminated on June 30, 2015 (SECTION 98 & SECTION 169).

**SECTION 121. Payment Reform Technical Correction Amendment.** Amends Chapter 224 in the section detailing the one-time surcharge assessments on specific providers.



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**SECTION 125.** Oral Health for Individuals with Disabilities. Requires DPH's Office of Oral Health and the Center for Health Information and Analysis (CHIA) to submit a report on the oral health care needs of residents of the Commonwealth living with disabilities.

**SECTION 132. Health Care Cost Control**. This section amends provisions requiring every health insurance carrier to assign a primary care provider to every policy holder to include the Group Insurance Commission.

**SECTION 134. Market Impact Review Completion.** This section amends policies of the Health Policy Commission, to whom health care providers must submit notice before making material change to their operations or governance structure, to require the Commission to complete its reviews within 150 days from the date that the provider or provider organization has submitted notice to the Commission.

**SECTION 135. Patient-Centered Medical Homes**. This section amends provisions of Chapter 224 that authorizes the certification of "Model" ACOS and requires that these ACOS are given priority by state funded insurance programs for publicly funded health services, by adding patient-centered medical homes to these provisions.

**SECTION 138. Mental Health Parity.** Requires the Division of Insurance and the Office of Medicaid to issue regulations to certify compliance with federal and state mental health parity laws. Advocates hope this section will push DOI and MassHealth to strengthen current regulations.

**SECTION 154. Integrated Eligibility System.** Establishes that the integrated eligibility system will be implemented no later than January 1, 2014 for MassHealth and no later than June 1, 2014 for all other public assistance programs.