

Reports Required by Statute or Legislative Intent

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

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SUMMARY

Annually, the Department of Human Services is required either by statute or legislative intent to prepare a report to be submitted to the Health and Human Services Appropriations Subcommittee. These reports will be presented to the Health and Human Services Appropriations Subcommittee at the interim meeting on December 6, 2005.

DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

Reports Required by Statute:

1. The Division of Child and Family Services per UCA 62A-4a-117 (5) (5): (See Appendix A)

Before January 1 each year the director shall submit a written report describing the difference between actual performance and performance goals for the prior fiscal year to the Child Welfare Legislative Oversight Panel, the Joint Health and Human Services Appropriations Subcommittee, and the Utah Tomorrow Strategic Planning Committee. The report shall include:

- (a) a summary of the division's efforts during the prior fiscal year to implement the Performance Milestone Plan;
- (b) a summary of how performance must be improved to achieve full implementation of the Performance Milestone Plan;
- (c) data on the extent to which new and experienced division employees have received training pursuant to statute and division policy;
- (d) an analysis of the use and efficacy of family preservation services, both before and after removal of children from their homes; and
- (e) a description of the extent to which the pilot program under Section **62A-4a-202.7** has been expanded during the prior fiscal year and an explanation of how the performance of regions that have previously implemented the program has been affected by the program, including data showing the number of referrals to the division:
 - (i) accepted for an investigation;
 - (ii) accepted for a family assessment; or
 - (iii) not accepted.

2. The Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health per UCA 62A-15-103 (2): (See Appendix B)

(g) by July 1 of each year, provide to the Health and Human Services Interim Committee and the Health and Human Services Appropriations Subcommittee a written report that includes:

- (i) the annual audit and review;
- (ii) the financial expenditures of each local substance abuse authority and its contract provider and each local mental health authority and its contract provider;
- (iii) the status of the compliance of each local authority and its contract provider with its plan, state statutes, and the provisions of the contract awarded; and
- (iv) whether audit guidelines established under Section **62A-15-110** and Subsection **67-3-1(10)** provide the division with sufficient criteria and assurances of appropriate expenditures of public funds; and
- (h) if requested by the Health and Human Services Interim Committee or the Health and Human Services Appropriations Subcommittee, provide an oral report as requested.

3. Drug Court per UCA 63-97-201: (See Appendix C)

(4) To the extent that funds will be available for appropriation in a given fiscal year, those funds shall be appropriated from the account in the following order:

(a) \$10,300,000 to the Department of Health for the Children's Health Insurance Program created in Section **26-40-103** and for restoration of dental benefits in the Children's Health Insurance Program;

(b) \$4,000,000 to the Department of Health for alcohol, tobacco, and other drug prevention, reduction, cessation, and control programs that promote unified messages and make use of media outlets, including radio, newspaper, billboards, and television, and with a preference in funding given to tobacco-related programs;

(c) \$193,700 to the Administrative Office of the Courts and \$1,296,300 to the Department of Human Services for the statewide expansion of the drug court program;

(d) \$77,400 to the Board of Pardons, \$81,700 to the Department of Corrections, and \$350,900 to the Department of Human Services for a drug board pilot program; (6) Each state agency identified in Subsection (4) shall provide an annual report on the program and activities funded under Subsection (4) to:

(a) the Health and Human Services Interim Committee no later than September 1; and

(b) the Health and Human Services Joint Appropriations Subcommittee.

4. The Division of Aging and Adult Services per UCA 62A-3-110 (2) (c): (See Appendix D)

Provide an annual report on the "Out and About" Homebound Transportation Assistance Fund to the Health and Human Services Appropriations Subcommittee.

Reports Required by Intent Language:**5. The Divisions of People with Disabilities and Child and Family Services per House Bill 301 Items 33 and 35 Intent Language: (See Appendix E)**

"It is the intent of the Legislature that funds appropriated for cost of living increases for employees of private service providers contracting with the Division of Services for People with Disabilities and the Division of Child and Family Services be used exclusively for that purpose. It is further the intent of the Legislature that these divisions report to the Health and Human Services Appropriations Subcommittee during the 2006 General Session on the use of such funds, based on reports from providers, regarding its distribution and impact on salaries of various categories of staff, including, but not limited to, administrators, supervisors and direct care workers."

Note: The report from the Division of Services for People with Disabilities is not available at this time and will be reported during the 2006 General Session.

6. The Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health per House Bill 301 Item 32 Intent Language: (See Appendix F)

"It is the intent of the Legislature that the Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health, in consultation with local mental health and substance abuse authorities and their providers, the Robert G. Sanderson Community Center of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Programs within the Utah State Office of Rehabilitation, and others, identify critical issues related to the delivery of substance abuse and mental health services to persons with a hearing disability and report on those issues to the Health and Human Services Joint Appropriations Subcommittee and the Health and Human Services Interim Committee before October 1, 2005."