



Requester Information

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Section 1: Requester Details

Description:

This request funds reimbursement for educational services provided to critically ill children receiving inpatient or extended medical care. Currently, Intermountain Health is covering these education costs despite the responsibility resting with the state, resulting in inappropriate cost-shifting. The requested appropriation would allow the state to reimburse eligible educational services provided during a child's hospitalization or treatment.

Legislative designee contact information:

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Organization: Intermountain Health

Position: School Services Manager

Section 2: Funding Information

How will the appropriation be used?

Category		One-time	Ongoing
Personnel Services	2026:	\$0.00	\$250,000.00
	2027:	\$0.00	
In-State Travel	2026:	\$0.00	\$0.00
	2027:	\$0.00	
Out-of-State Travel	2026:	\$0.00	\$0.00
	2027:	\$0.00	
Supplies and Equipment	2026:	\$0.00	\$0.00
	2027:	\$0.00	



Education Reimbursement for Critically Ill Children

Public Education

Category	One-time	Ongoing	
Technology Purchases	2026:	\$0.00	\$0.00
	2027:	\$0.00	
Infrastructure/Capital Investments	2026:	\$0.00	\$0.00
	2027:	\$0.00	
Other Charges/Pass Thru	2026:	\$0.00	\$0.00
	2027:	\$0.00	

Expenditure Total

One-time 2026	One-time 2027	Ongoing 2027
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$250,000.00

Funding Sources:

Income Tax Fund

Amount Requested:

2026 (One-time)	\$0.00
2027 (One-time)	\$0.00
2027 (Ongoing)	\$250,000.00

Revenue Total

One-time 2026	One-time 2027	Ongoing 2027
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$250,000.00

Is this a multi-year project?

Yes



Is this project scalable if the Legislature does not fund the full requested amount?

No

A short explanation describing how the project might be scaled?

Section 3: Agency Information

Subjects:

Education and Research

01533

Agency:

400 / State Board of Education

Type of entity to receive pass-through funding:

Private for Profit

Grant recipient

No

Requested Direct Award Grant Recipient

Section 4: Performance Outcome Measurement

Who would benefit the most from this request (who is the target audience)?

Critically ill children receiving prolonged medical treatment, their families, and the public education system. Healthcare providers would also benefit from appropriate reimbursement for education services they are currently funding.



What is this project or program intended to accomplish?

This project is intended to ensure that hospitalized children continue to receive educational services during extended medical treatment while appropriately assigning financial responsibility to the state. The program reimburses qualifying education services delivered in medical settings, preventing cost-shifting to healthcare providers. By funding reimbursement rather than creating a new service, the project promotes continuity of education and fiscal accountability.

How will the Legislature know whether the project or program achieved its intended purpose?

Success will be measured by the number of hospitalized children receiving reimbursed educational services and the total amount of education related costs appropriately shifted from healthcare providers to the state. Additional indicators include reduced unreimbursed education expenses for hospitals and timely reimbursement processing. These metrics demonstrate improved compliance with education obligations and more appropriate use of public funds.

Section 5: Other Supporting Documents

Intent Language Documents

Previous Funding Documents

Full Time Employees

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