

# **State of Alaska FY2006 Governor's Operating Budget**

## **Department of Health and Social Services Designated Evaluation and Treatment Component Budget Summary**

**Component: Designated Evaluation and Treatment**

**Contribution to Department's Mission**

To protect and improve the quality of life for consumers impacted by mental disorders or illness.

**Core Services**

The Designated Evaluation and Treatment component provides fee-for-service funding, on a payer-of-last resort basis, to designated local community and specialty hospitals for evaluation and treatment services provided to people under court-ordered commitment through AS 47.30.655-915, and to people who meet those criteria, but have agreed to voluntary services in lieu of commitment.

Through this funding, local facilities may provide 72-hour inpatient psychiatric evaluations, up to 4 days of crisis stabilization, and up to 40 days of inpatient or residential psychiatric treatment services close to the client's home, family and support system. Component funding also supports client and client escort travel to and from the hospital (from the client's home) and enhanced detoxification services for people who are intoxicated and expressing suicidal ideation.

**FY2006 Resources Allocated to Achieve Results**

**FY2006 Component Budget: \$1,211,900**

**Personnel:**

Full time	0
Part time	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>

**Key Component Challenges**

Contract efforts were increased to contain unit costs for inpatient care and transportation costs but both hospitals and escort/transport agencies refused to accept lower offers and insisted on higher rates to cover increasing costs in both areas.

Management efforts were strengthened to increase review and oversight to insure medical necessity within program guidelines; policies and procedures were updated. Management was centralized into the Juneau office to insure consistency.

Utilization of these services has grown every year since inception and is passionately supported with the stakeholder groups; often consumers prefer to avoid the perception of stigma by going to API.

Currently only two community hospitals in Fairbanks and Juneau provide inpatient psychiatric treatment beyond the evaluation and stabilization of patients in crisis. In FY 05, three additional hospitals provided local evaluation services. Patients elsewhere around the state requiring treatment must leave their community to receive services, so the Division is encouraging hospitals in Alaska's other larger communities to begin offering full evaluation and treatment services.

Cost control of this program is difficult without appropriate legislation and legislative support.

**Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2006**

No reductions in cost savings achieved yet. Program utilization continues to increase as well as costs for inpatient care and transport/escort costs.

## Major Component Accomplishments in 2004

Because costs have gone beyond budget, we have focused services to those communities where the impact will be greatest. In addition to Juneau and Fairbanks, Designated Evaluation and Treatment (DET) services were also provided in Ketchikan, Bethel, and Sitka. All hospitals are potentially eligible for the programs and can receive Medicaid for local evaluation services. The following are the major accomplishments for FY2004:

Expanded a process of utilizing Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) payments to fund annual blocks of DET services in two Alaskan hospitals. One hospital DSH agreement was expanded to cover transportation/escort costs statewide after DBH review and approval.

Established and provided training in new DET processes at 14 hospitals.

General fund contribution expanding trend significantly reduced.

## Statutory and Regulatory Authority

AS 47.30.520 - 620	Community Mental Health Services Act
AS 47.30.655 - 915	State Mental Health Policy
AS 47.30.011 - 061	Mental Health Trust Authority
7 AAC 78	Grant Programs
7 AAC 72	Civil Commitment
7 AAC 71	Community Mental Health Services

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**Designated Evaluation and Treatment  
Component Financial Summary**

*All dollars shown in thousands*

	FY2004 Actuals	FY2005 Management Plan	FY2006 Governor
<b>Non-Formula Program:</b>			
<b>Component Expenditures:</b>			
71000 Personal Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
72000 Travel	0.0	0.0	0.0
73000 Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
74000 Commodities	0.0	0.0	0.0
75000 Capital Outlay	0.0	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Benefits	2,479.3	1,211.9	1,211.9
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Expenditure Totals</b>	<b>2,479.3</b>	<b>1,211.9</b>	<b>1,211.9</b>
<b>Funding Sources:</b>			
1002 Federal Receipts	985.3	0.0	0.0
1037 General Fund / Mental Health	1,347.3	1,211.9	1,211.9
1092 Mental Health Trust Authority Authorized Receipts	146.7	0.0	0.0
<b>Funding Totals</b>	<b>2,479.3</b>	<b>1,211.9</b>	<b>1,211.9</b>

**Estimated Revenue Collections**

Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2004 Actuals	FY2005 Management Plan	FY2006 Governor
<b>Unrestricted Revenues</b>				
None.		0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Unrestricted Total</b>		<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Restricted Revenues</b>				
Federal Receipts	51010	985.3	0.0	0.0
<b>Restricted Total</b>		<b>985.3</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Total Estimated Revenues</b>		<b>985.3</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

**Summary of Component Budget Changes  
From FY2005 Management Plan to FY2006 Governor**

*All dollars shown in thousands*

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
<b>FY2005 Management Plan</b>	<b>1,211.9</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>1,211.9</b>
<b>FY2006 Governor</b>	<b>1,211.9</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>1,211.9</b>