

Alaska's Resource for Integrated Eligibility Services Enhancement

FY2019 Request: \$36,786,502
Reference No: 42856

AP/AL: Allocation **Project Type:** Information Systems
Category: Health/Human Services
Location: Statewide **House District:** Statewide (HD 1-40)
Impact House District: Statewide (HD 1-40) **Contact:** Michael Frawley
Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2018 - 06/30/2023 **Contact Phone:** (907)465-1624
Appropriation: Statewide Information Technology Projects

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

The purpose of this project is to complete the Modified Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI) Medicaid programming of the Alaska's Resource for Integrated Eligibility Services (ARIES) system and incorporate other state and federal public assistance programs into ARIES to better meet the needs of Alaskans. By enhancing the ARIES system, the Division of Public Assistance will be better equipped to provide accurate and timely benefits.

Funding:	<u>FY2019</u>	<u>FY2020</u>	<u>FY2021</u>	<u>FY2022</u>	<u>FY2023</u>	<u>FY2024</u>	<u>Total</u>
1002 Fed Rcpts	\$27,846,840						\$27,846,840
1004 Gen Fund	\$8,939,662						\$8,939,662
Total:	\$36,786,502	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$36,786,502

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State Match Required	<input type="checkbox"/> One-Time Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - new	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - underway	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On-Going
50% = Minimum State Match % Required		<input type="checkbox"/> Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Bill	

Operating & Maintenance Costs:

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Staff</u>
Project Development:	0	0
Ongoing Operating:	0	0
One-Time Startup:	0	0
Totals:	0	0

Prior Funding History / Additional Information:

Sec15 Ch18 SLA2013 P103 L28 SB119 \$81,232
 Sec1 Ch17 SLA2012 P118 L17 SB160 \$8,738,478
 Sec13 Ch29 SLA2008 P149 L4 SB221 \$427,800
 Sec13 Ch29 SLA2008 P149 L14 SB221 \$864,300
 Sec4 Ch30 SLA2007 P94 L30 SB53 \$412,800
 Sec4 Ch30 SLA2007 P95 L5 SB53 \$662,400

RPL 06-2014-0788 \$65.893,064 Federal

Project Description/Justification:

What is the purpose of the project?

The current Eligibility Information System (EIS) is a Multiple Virtual Storage (MVS) Integrated Control System (MICS) frame which is no longer fully-supported. The Alaska's Resource for Integrated Eligibility Services (ARIES) system needs enhancement and completion as the product was not completed by the previous contractor. There are several defects, missing functionality for Modified

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Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI), and remaining Division of Public Assistance programs must be incorporated.

Is this a new systems development project? Or, an upgrade or enhancement to existing department capabilities?

This is an enhancement to an existing system.

Specifically, what hardware, software, consulting services, or other items will be purchased with this funding? Include a line item breakdown.

	FFP Estimates	Total	Federal	GF
Project Management Staff \$240,000 per quarter	CMS 90% Fed/10% GF	\$960,000	\$864,000	\$96,000
Project Management Office Facilities/Supplies/ Travel \$36,000 per quarter	CMS 90% Fed/10% GF	\$144,000	\$129,600	\$14,400
Qualis	CMS 90% Fed/10% GF	\$934,728	\$841,255	\$93,473
18F	CMS 90% Fed/10% GF	\$1,000,000	\$900,000	\$100,000
Project Tools	CMS 75% State 25% GF	\$75,000	\$56,250	\$18,750
State IT Staff Support FY2019 \$60,000 per quarter	CMS 90% State 10% GF	\$240,000	\$216,000	\$24,000
Subject Matter Expert \$117,787.50 per quarter	CMS 90% State 10% GF	\$471,150	\$424,035	\$47,115
Aged Blind Disabled Medicaid	CMS 90% State 10% GF	\$6,500,000	\$5,850,000	\$650,000
Long Term Care Medicaid	CMS 90% State 10% GF	\$6,500,000	\$5,850,000	\$650,000

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Waiver Medicaid	CMS 90% State 10% GF	\$7,120,160	\$5,907,850	\$1,212,310
Remaining Medicaid Categories	CMS 90% State 10% GF	\$7,120,160	\$5,907,850	\$1,212,310
Self-Service Portal Enhancements	CMS 90% State 10% GF	\$500,000	\$450,000	\$50,000
Known Deficiency Remediation	CMS 90% State 10% GF	\$500,000	\$450,000	\$50,000
APA Cash	State 100% GF	\$4,000,000	\$0.00	\$4,000,000
Development Total		\$36,065,198	\$27,846,840	\$8,218,358

Capital Funds Administration Total	2%	\$721,304	\$0.00	\$721,304
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How will service to the public be measurably improved if this project is funded?

Over 200,000 Alaskans received a benefit managed by the Division of Public Assistance during FY2017. With 33% of Alaskans being served by the Division of Public Assistance, an improved eligibility system allowing for more automated processes will improve timeliness for those served. The purpose of this project is to complete the Modified Adjusted Gross Income (MAGI) Medicaid programming of the Alaska's Resource for Integrated Eligibility Services (ARIES) system and incorporate other state and federal public assistance programs into ARIES to better meet the needs of Alaskans. By enhancing the ARIES system, the Division of Public Assistance will be better equipped to provide accurate and timely benefits. For example, ARIES sends batched information to the Medicaid and Medicare Information System managed by the Division of Health Care Services in order to appropriately assign Medicaid benefit eligibility to recipients.

Will the project affect the way in which other public agencies conduct their business?

No.

What are the potential out-year cost implications if this project is approved? (Bandwidth requirements, etc.)

This FY2019 capital project addresses the most urgent needs for the system. However, there are additional Division of Public Assistance programs which will need to be added to the system in future fiscal years. The current estimate for FY2020 project costs is \$19,324,878 with an additional \$419,686 for capital funds administration.

What will happen if the project is not approved?

The Division of Public Assistance will be unable to determine eligibility for applicants and current recipients timely or correctly which will result in further

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non-compliance with Federal standards.