Washington State Department of Social and Health Services

2015-17 Agency Request Budget Maintenance Level Decision Packages

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Children's Administration





ML Title	2015-17 Maintenance Level DP Description	2015-17 Estimate	
		GF-State	All Funds
Braam Compliance	Funding is required to assist in compliance with measures required under the Braam settlement including, but not limited to, locating children on the run, conducting monthly health and safety checks for children in out of home care, and ensuring foster parents have adequate information, training and support.	\$7,790,000	\$10,104,000
Child Protective Services Staffing	Funding is required for additional Child Protective Services (CPS) positions in order to complete CPS investigations in a timely manner and increase the number of children seen within 24 or 72 hours of receiving an allegation of abuse and neglect and decrease the number of times cases are open longer than 90 days.	\$12,380,000	\$16,078,000
Foster Parents Association of Washington State (FPAWS) Litigation	Funding is required to implement a mediated agreement in the Foster Parents Association of Washington State (FPAWS) case. This agreement updates the both the methodology and amount of the maintenance payments paid to licensed foster homes.	\$12,532,000	\$16,710,000
Medical Consultant	Funding is required to maintain access to physicians who make medical findings in cases of alleged child abuse and neglect.	\$380,000	\$380,000
Non-forecasted Extended Foster Care	Funding is required to cover services delivered to youth in the Extended Foster Care (EFC) program that were not originally anticipated in order to adequately serve the needs of these youth without impacting services to other children in care.	\$8,502,000	\$12,345,000
Sequestration Mitigation	Funding is required to mitigate reduced federal funding from the federal budget sequestration.	\$7,108,000	\$0

^{*}The list does not include re-occurring Maintenance Level requests such as caseload, postage rate, mileage rate, lease, and worker's compensation adjustments.