

DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES ADMINISTRATION



STATE ONLY EMPLOYMENT & DAY

2015-17 BIENNIAL BUDGET

Reduction Option	FY16	FY17	15-17
FTE	0	0	0
GF-State	(\$2,400,000)	(\$2,400,000)	(\$4,800,000)
Total	(\$2,400,000)	(\$2,400,000)	(\$4,800,000)

REDUCTION OPTION SUMMARY

As required by 2015-17 Biennial Budget Instructions, the Developmental Disabilities Administration (DDA) is submitting a reduction option that would eliminate state only funded employment, adult day care and community access programs for people with a developmental disability. Employment and day services provided as a Medicaid waiver service would be unaffected. Approximately 400 individuals would lose services.

REDUCTION OPTION DETAIL

Most of the people receiving employment and day services through DDA receive those services through a Medicaid waiver, which results in the collection of federal Medicaid matching funds to help cover the cost of those services. However, approximately 400 people are covered exclusively with state funds, usually because they do not meet Medicaid eligibility criteria, at least on a temporary basis. The majority of these people receive individual employment services, while around 35 receive community access and adult day care services. The main reason for temporarily losing eligibility is that they occasionally earn too much money to qualify for Medicaid. Rather than interrupt services, DDA continues the employment services when it is deemed likely that they client will fall below the Medicaid financial eligibility threshold again in the near future.

STAKEHOLDER IMPACT

Stakeholders, including the ARC of Washington and the Developmental Disabilities Council, will oppose any reduction in services to people with developmental disabilities.



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