

House Appropriations Committee on Health and Human Services

Spending Targets:

FY 2019-20: \$5,418,681,553

FY 2020-21: \$5,503,462,464

General Guidance for All Committees:

Preliminary Area Committee reports (money only, unless provisions are ready for review) are to be presented to the Full Chairs beginning Monday, April 8 and will **balance** to the target.

- Creation of or expansion of Management flexibility cuts is not allowed.
- No substantive, non-budget related policy is allowed.
- Provisions will not include “shall not revert” or similar policy impacting General Fund Availability.
- New spending items may not create future base budget increases beyond the biennium and committees may not include provisions that direct items to be added to future base budgets.
- Committee Chairs will:
 - Address budget needs for both years of the biennium.
 - Consult other committees on matters that cross committees.
 - Refer fee increases/decreases proposals to the Full Chairs.
- The following items are the purview of the Full Chairs:
 - **General Fund Availability including,**
 - **Transfers to other Funds**
 - **Earmarks of the General Fund**
 - **All Salary-related items and Policy**
 - **Disaster Recovery**
 - **Capital**
 - **Use of Lottery, Escheats and Civil Fines & Forfeitures**
 - **Other Statewide (such as IT Reserves and statewide budget policy)**

Health and Human Services Committees Spending Assumptions:

- Medicaid and Health Choice rebase and Medicaid Transformation will be handled by the Full Chairs.
- The spending target includes the nonrecurring reduction for increased Health Choice federal match.
- Broughton Hospital operating funds are included in the Committee target.
- Mental Health “single stream” funding must be maintained at Base Budget levels (no earmarks or reallocations).
- School Safety is a cross area committee item and is under the purview of the Full Chairs.