

HEALTHCARE FUNDING

RESULTING FROM 2013 NORTH DAKOTA LEGISLATIVE SESSION

1) House Bill 1012—Department of Human Services Budget

- a. 4 and 4 inflation factor for all providers except Basic Care, Nursing Facilities and DD providers.
- b. Basic Care, Nursing Facilities and DD providers receive a 3 and 3 inflation factor and a one dollar per hour wage pass through for employees.
- c. Rebased of rural health clinics to the Medicare rates. Future increases will be authorized based on approved inflationary increases.
- d. \$547,000 from the general fund and \$182,000 from other funds for an eight-unit transitional living unit in the Southeast Human Service Center region.
- e. \$1,000,000 for Vulnerable Adult Services which includes \$528,000 for the department to contract for three Vulnerable Adult Protective Services in three geographic areas.

2) House Bill 1015 –Office of Management and Budget

- a. \$700,000 for the purpose of providing a grant to an organization to assist hospitals in developing a system to verify patient personal and health insurance information.

3) House Bill 1038 – Autism Spectrum Disorder

- a. \$235,732 for the Department of Health to establish and administer an Autism Spectrum Disorder database.
- b. \$132,568 for the purpose of hiring a state Autism coordinator who would be responsible for implementing a resource and service center.
- c. \$80,000 for the purpose of implementing a statewide Autism Spectrum Disorder training program.

- d. \$539,186 for the purpose of issuing vouchers as part of the Autism Spectrum Disorder Voucher Program pilot project. The department shall allocate up to \$12,500 per year to each individual enrolled in the voucher program for paying the costs of eligible services.
- e. \$449,973 for the purpose of expanding the department's Autism Spectrum Disorder Medicaid Waiver Program.

4) House Bill 1041 – Guardianships

- a. \$828,600 for the purpose of providing grants to counties for public or private guardianship services.

5) House Bill 1211—Department of Commerce

- a. \$400,000 to the Department of Commerce for the purpose of providing matching funds to an organization assisting in the recruitment, distribution, supply, quality, and efficiency of personnel providing health services in rural areas of the state.

6) House Bill 1358—Oil Impact Funding that would mitigate negative effects of oil development.

- a. \$7,000,000 for grants to emergency medical service providers.
- b. \$3,500,000 for grants to the fire protection districts.
- c. \$9,600,000 for the purpose of administering a grant program for critical access hospitals in oil-producing counties and in counties contiguous to an oil-producing county.

7) House Bill 1433 – Hospital Bad Debt Relief Grants

- a. \$576,788 for defraying the expenses of the Medical Loan Repayment Program.
- b. \$475,000 for defraying expenses of the Stroke Registry and Prevention Program.
- c. \$276,600 for defraying expenses of Community Paramedic Pilot Project.
- d. \$602,600 for defraying expenses relating to colorectal cancer screening.
- e. \$400,500 for defraying expenses relating to breast and cervical cancer assistance.

8) Senate Bill 2004 –Department of Health Budget Bill

Covers a broad spectrum of items such as:

- a. \$80,000 for family violence services and prevention grants.
- b. \$162,000 for recommended follow-up colorectal screenings.

9) Senate Bill 2030—Regional Public Health Networks

- a. \$700,000 for the regional public Health networks. The tribal health unit authority was tacked on when SB 2031 failed. It allows the authority for one tribal health unit to be formed but there is no funding provided for it (that was killed in SB 2031)

10) Senate Bill 2187 – Medical Facility Infrastructure Loan Fund

- a. \$50,000,000 in funds available for the construction of medical facilities to improve healthcare infrastructure and access to services.
- b. Applications must be approved by the Task Force appointed by the Governor and the Bank of North Dakota.
- c. Project cost must exceed \$1,000,000.
- d. Expected life of facility must be at least 30 years.
- e. Applicants from oil-producing counties will be given priority.
- f. Loans are for lesser of \$15 million or actual project costs.
- g. Fixed interest rate of 1%.
- h. Repayment term not to exceed 25 years.
- i. Construction must be completed within 2 years of application approval.
- j. Uncommitted school construction loans after December 31, 2014 shall be transferred to the Medical Infrastructure Loan Fund.
- k. Effective August 1, 2013 to July 31, 2017.

11) Senate Bill 2226 – Trauma Funding

- a. \$125,000 for contracted Trauma Medical Director.
- b. \$40,000 for advanced trauma life support training.
- c. \$75,000 for development of the rural trauma team development course.
- d. \$50,000 for trauma designation visits.
- e. \$42,000 for State Trauma Registry.

12) Senate Bill 2003 – School of Medicine Funding

- a. \$60,450,000 for phase one of the new UND School of Medicine and Health Sciences Facility.

Medical Facility Infrastructure Loan Program (SB 2187)

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