



STATES USING BLOCK GRANTS FOR STATE AGENCY APPROPRIATIONS

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Do any states use a block grant approach to appropriate funds to state agencies?

According to Arturo Perez, director of the National Conference of State Legislature's Fiscal Affairs Program, no state uses a block grant approach to appropriate funds to its state agencies. However, Perez noted that states may use block grants or lump sum appropriations for specific programs or purposes, particularly for higher education.

For further information, we attach a copy of a 2015 report by the National Association of State Budget Officers comparing budgeting practices across states, including the approach, procedures, and tools states use to set their budgets ([Budget Processes in the States](#), Spring 2015).

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