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SFY 2005 Budget Proposals: Highlights for Medicaid and HUSKY Programs

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Provider/Program Rates	Governor's Proposal	Appropriations Committee 3/25/04
Medicaid cost & Caseload	Adds \$4.3M to Medicaid	Adds \$8.3M
Medicaid Provider Rates	Add \$12.9M: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ 2% incr. to MCOs (\$9.9M) ✓ 2% incr. to Chronic Disease Hosp (\$1M) ✓ IMCF for MR 5% incr. (\$2.1M) 	Same as Governor
Other Provider Rates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ FQHC no additional dollars ✓ SBHC 5% decr. ✓ Healthy Start (-\$63,045) FY 04 annualized reduction recisions 12/03 ✓ Medicaid Hosp. rates incr. with revised base discharge rate start 10/1/04 ✓ Residential care homes; rate freeze ✓ NP provider COLA at 1% ✓ Pharmacies: Medicaid/ConnPace dispensing fee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Incr. \$1.1M under Medicaid ✓ \$363,386 restored to SBHC (DPH) ✓ Healthy Start: same as Gov. ✓ Hosp. rates, Cmte concurs, but assumes rate implementation start date 1/1/05 ✓ FY05 – 1.5% rate increase ✓ CMTE added 0.5% for total 1.5% 10/1/04 ✓ Reduce Dispensing Fee to

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	decr. to \$3.00/script	\$3.15/script
Community Health Initiatives - DSS	No change to funding of various programs	Added \$1M for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$50,000 Housing/Homeless • \$200,000 homeless shelters • \$100,000 Homes for the Brave • \$100,000 Children's Health Council • \$200,000 CAUSA • \$100,000 augment Hartfd teen pregnancy prevention efforts
DSS Human Service Infrastructure (HIS) Community Action Program	\$2,641,956	Same as the Governor.
Statewide on-line Medicaid/HUSKY application program		Carry forward of \$200,000 to be available for Medicaid management information system and on-line program
Programs		
Medicaid non-emergency adult dental services	Eliminate non-critical dental services for FY05 savings of \$4.7M with \$1M transfer DMR	CMTE does <u>not</u> concur with this plan
\$2 non-emergency transportation co-pay	Mandatory \$2 co-pay with FY05 \$1.23M savings	CMTE does <u>not</u> concur with Medicaid co-pay
HUSKY A Benefit Package & Medicaid FFS cost sharing	FY04-05: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Restructure benefits similar to State Employee Non-Gatekeeper Point of Enrollment plan. ✓ Medically needy monthly premiums 	CMTE provides \$17.7M to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Restore HUSKY A benefit package ✓ Eliminate monthly premiums for Medicaid FFS
Medicaid Co-Pays	FY04-05 Medicaid adult co-pays for pharmacy (>\$1.50) & OP visits (new \$2)	CMTE provides \$14.2M to eliminate co-pays under Medicaid program
HUSKY B resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Incr. HUSKY B resources - \$328,335 ✓ HUSKY Plus expenditures 	Same as Governor.

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	broken out into a separate account	
HUSKY: child support & TPL claims	DSS incr. ID of child support cases for 3 rd party liability claims: estimate 2,000 cases, with net savings of \$1.9M	Same as Governor.
Behavioral Health Partnership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Reallocate a total of \$120.4M from Medicaid & HUSKY accts. to new BHP ✓ \$500,000 transfer from SAGA to DMHAS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ CMTE does not alter current account structure (BHP). ✓ Concur with technical transfer to DMHAS
Restructure Pharmacy services in Medicaid Managed Care	Consolidate management of Medicaid MC pharmacy under a single entity- formulary, savings \$2M	Same as Governor
Legal Immigrant Benefits	2003 legislation: DSS no longer providing legal immigrant state benefits.	CMTE provides \$2.5M to continue various state benefits
Child Care Enrollment	Additional \$12M over current funding (\$6M GF, \$6M TANF high performance bonus) to serve 1,800 additional families	CMTE concurs with Gov. and provides \$10.7M for additional 2,200 slots = Total 5,000 new slots
ConnPace	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Fund \$11.1M to reflect caseload & cost trends ✓ Repeal estate recovery (\$250,000) ✓ Liquid asset test limit \$100,000single, 125,000 couple 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Fund \$10.1M ✓ Same as Governor ✓ Provide \$1.25M to repeal this asset limits
State Assistance (SAGA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Incr. \$9M to reflect higher expenditures in pharmacy as less savings under FQHC 340b discount program. ✓ Transfer of assets penalty - 3-month look back. \$19,000 savings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ CMTE assumes \$9M adj., directs portion of \$ to <u>eliminate</u> SAGA med/script co-pays. ✓ CMTE does <u>not</u> concur with asset penalty