

## Office of the Healthcare Advocate

## MCO39400

## Position Summary

Account	Actual FY 13	Governor Estimated FY 14	Original Appropriation FY 15	Governor Revised FY 15	Legislative FY 15	Difference Leg-Gov FY 15
Permanent Full-Time - IF	18	17	17	27	29	2

## Budget Summary

Account	Actual FY 13	Governor Estimated FY 14	Original Appropriation FY 15	Governor Revised FY 15	Legislative FY 15	Difference Leg-Gov FY 15
Personal Services	1,087,580	1,266,131	1,339,621	1,980,495	2,100,827	120,332
Other Expenses	156,485	402,588	326,267	2,551,267	2,701,267	150,000
Equipment	6,700	0	5,000	15,000	15,000	0
<b>Other Current Expenses</b>						
Fringe Benefits	775,139	910,309	947,599	1,614,381	1,719,069	104,688
Indirect Overhead	19,211	26,056	27,229	142,055	142,055	0
<b>Nonfunctional - Change to Accruals</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12,157</b>	<b>183,554</b>	<b>193,883</b>	<b>10,329</b>
<b>Agency Total - Insurance Fund</b>	<b>2,045,115</b>	<b>2,605,084</b>	<b>2,657,873</b>	<b>6,486,752</b>	<b>6,872,101</b>	<b>385,349</b>

Account	Governor Revised FY 15		Legislative FY 15		Difference from Governor	
	Pos.	\$	Pos.	\$	Pos.	\$

*Current Services***Adjust Fringe Benefits and Indirect Overhead**

Fringe Benefits	0	217,871	0	217,871	0	0
Indirect Overhead	0	114,826	0	114,826	0	0
<b>Total - Insurance Fund</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>332,697</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>332,697</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**Background**

Non-General Fund agencies are budgeted directly for employee fringe benefits and indirect overhead.

**Governor**

Provide funding of \$332,697 to ensure sufficient funds for fringe benefits and indirect overhead.

**Legislative**

Same as Governor

**Adjust Funding for Revised Estimated GAAP Requirements**

Nonfunctional - Change to Accruals	0	171,397	0	171,397	0	0
<b>Total - Insurance Fund</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>171,397</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>171,397</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**Background**

Each agency's budget includes a line item account called "Nonfunctional - Change to Accruals." This line item represents the estimate of the difference between an agency's cash-basis budget amount and the accrual-basis amounts that will be reflected under Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP). These funds will not be available for spending; in the aggregate they will prevent the state's GAAP deficit from growing.

**Governor**

Provide funding of \$171,397 to reflect updated estimates of accruals to comply with GAAP. Across all appropriated funds, there is a net GAAP reduction of \$33.8 million.

**Legislative**

Same as Governor

Account	Governor Revised FY 15		Legislative FY 15		Difference from Governor	
	Pos.	\$	Pos.	\$	Pos.	\$

## Policy Revisions

### Provide Funding for State Innovation Model

Personal Services	9	580,708	9	580,708	0	0
Other Expenses	0	2,225,000	0	2,225,000	0	0
Equipment	0	10,000	0	10,000	0	0
Fringe Benefits	0	396,567	0	396,567	0	0
<b>Total - Insurance Fund</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3,212,275</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3,212,275</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

#### Background

The State Innovation Model (SIM) was initiated by the federal Affordable Care Act, through the federal Center for Medicare and Medicaid Innovation (CMMI). The state received a planning grant in March of 2013 to develop a SIM. The state submitted a plan to CMMI in December 2013. The SIM's purpose is to align all healthcare payers in the state (e.g. Medicaid, the state employee and retiree health plan, Medicare, commercial and self-funded plans) around a value-based payment methodology which focuses reimbursement on quality metrics, as opposed to simply volume and cost reduction measures.

#### Governor

Provide nine positions and funding of \$3,212,275 to support the implementation of the State Innovation Model.

#### Legislative

Same as Governor

### Add Position for Mobile Utilization Coordination

Personal Services	1	60,166	1	60,166	0	0
Fringe Benefits	0	52,344	0	52,344	0	0
<b>Total - Insurance Fund</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>112,510</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>112,510</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

#### Governor

Provide one position and funding of \$112,510 for a Mobile Utilization Coordinator to act in partnership with the Department of Children and Families (DCF) on an initiative to facilitate the receipt of Medicaid and private insurance payments by private residential providers for DCF youth. These individuals are currently being supported under DCF's Board and Care for Children - Residential account at an estimated cost of \$1,350,000. A funding reduction of this amount, associated with this initiative, is provided under DCF's budget.

#### Legislative

Same as Governor

### Provide Behavioral Health Specialists

Personal Services	0	0	2	120,332	2	120,332
Fringe Benefits	0	0	0	104,688	0	104,688
<b>Total - Insurance Fund</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>225,020</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>225,020</b>

#### Legislative

Provide \$225,020 and 2 positions to enhance the Office's ability to assist residents in navigating behavioral health benefits, coverages and payments. These positions will be filled by individuals with backgrounds in the behavioral health field.

### Adjust Funding for GAAP

Nonfunctional - Change to Accruals	0	0	0	10,329	0	10,329
<b>Total - Insurance Fund</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10,329</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10,329</b>

#### Legislative

Adjust funding by \$10,329 in FY 15 to reflect changes to GAAP accruals as a result of policy changes.

Account	Governor Revised FY 15		Legislative FY 15		Difference from Governor	
	Pos.	\$	Pos.	\$	Pos.	\$

### Provide Funding for a Study of Health Disparities

Other Expenses	0	0	0	150,000	0	150,000
<b>Total - Insurance Fund</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>150,000</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>150,000</b>

#### Background

The Connecticut Commission on Health Equity was established to eliminate disparities in health status based on race, ethnicity, gender and linguistic ability.

#### Legislative

Provide funding of \$150,000 for the Commission on Health Equity. These funds will support a study of health disparities in the state.

### Totals

Budget Components	Governor Revised FY 15		Legislative FY 15		Difference from Governor	
	Pos.	\$	Pos.	\$	Pos.	\$
<b>Original Appropriation - IF</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>2,657,873</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>2,657,873</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Current Services	0	504,094	0	504,094	0	0
Policy Revisions	10	3,324,785	12	3,710,134	2	385,349
<b>Total Recommended - IF</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>6,486,752</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>6,872,101</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>385,349</b>