



Health and Human Services Conference Issues— Legislative Changes to the Governor’s Budget Plan^a

2018-19 General Fund Costs (In Millions), Unless Otherwise Noted^b

	Senate	Assembly
Health Care Coverage Expansion/Affordability		
Extend Medi-Cal eligibility to low-income undocumented immigrants over age 65	\$75.0 ^c	—
Extend Medi-Cal eligibility to low-income undocumented immigrants ages 19-25	—	\$125.0 ^c
Streamline Medi-Cal enrollment for Women, Infants, and Children program beneficiaries	—	3.6 ^c
Extend automatic Transitional Medi-Cal eligibility from 6 to 12 months	—	1.5 ^c
Establish a state all-payer health care payment database (one time)	—	8.1 ^c
Provide premium assistance for health insurance purchased through Covered California	—	150.0 ^c
Fund additional health care outreach and enrollment (one time)	—	13.3
Subtotals	(\$75.0)	(\$301.4)
Health Provider Payment Increases		
Augment Governor’s proposal to increase Medi-Cal provider payments (Proposition 56)	\$330.0 ^b	—
Increase rates for Medi-Cal air ambulance services (one time in Assembly)	9.9	\$4.0
Eliminate AB 97 rate reduction for non-emergency medical transportation providers	— ^c	3.7
Increase payments for pediatric day health care centers (Proposition 56 in Senate)	4.0 ^b	4.0
Increase payments for pediatric free-standing subacute facilities (Proposition 56 in Senate)	4.0 ^b	4.0
Increase rates for San Francisco’s Community-Based Adult Services program	—	4.0
Subtotals	(\$347.9)	(\$19.7)
Medi-Cal Benefits		
Restore optional benefits	\$16.6 ^c	—
Allow clinics to conduct same-day billing for medical and behavioral health services	3.0	—
Introduce continuous glucose monitoring as a covered benefit	—	\$6.5
Create whole genome sequencing pilot project (one time)	—	2.0
Introduce silver diamine fluoride as a covered benefit	—	6.0
Translate Diabetes Prevention Program curriculum into threshold languages (one time)	—	0.3
Backfill expected loss in federal funds for California Community Transitions program	—	4.0 ^c
Subtotals	(\$19.6)	(\$18.8)
Behavioral Health		
Fund suicide hotlines and support suicide prevention workload	—	\$5.2 ^b
Create pilot program placing behavioral health counselors in emergency departments (one time in Assembly)	\$20.0	20.0 ^b
Establish children’s mental health innovation planning (one time)	—	5.0 ^b
Augment funding for the Friday Night Live mentoring program	—	6.0
Reduce DHCS mental health oversight budget proposal by 3 positions	—	-0.4 ^b
Delay Child Assessment of Needs and Strengths implementation	—	-3.2
Reappropriate previous years’ mental health triage grant funding	29.4	—
Subtotals	(\$49.4)	(\$32.6)
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Health Care Workforce Development		
Increase funding for University of California residency programs	\$40.0	—
Expand Song Brown primary care residency and other workforce development programs (one time)	—	\$17.0
Establish physician loan repayment program and other workforce initiatives (Proposition 56 one time)	150.0 ^b	—
Expand UC Programs In Medical Education (one time)	—	10.0
Extend funding for mental health Workforce, Education, and Training (WET) program (one time)	—	26.4
Establish postbaccalaureate medical education programs	—	0.6
Fund scholarships for primary care mental health fellowships (one time)	—	1.0
No action taken on Governor’s proposal to expand psychiatric residency slots (one time)	—	-55.0
Subtotals	(\$190.0)	(\$0)
Public Health		
Augment Governor’s proposal to extend Los Angeles County licensing and certification contract (one time)	\$2.7 ^b	—
Fund Valley fever research at Kern Medical Center (one time)	2.0	—
Fund All Children Thrive three-year pilot program to study childhood trauma (one time)	—	\$10.0 ^b
Provide research grants to study Jordan’s Syndrome PPP2R5D (one time)	12.0 ^d	12.0 ^d
Implement diabetes awareness campaign (one time)	—	10.0
Provide resources for California Vector-Borne Diseases Surveillance program	0.5	—
Augment funding for prevention of sexually transmitted diseases	—	10.0
Educate medical providers about prevention of HIV and sexually transmitted diseases	—	1.0
Expand Black Infant Health Program	15.0	—
Deny continuous appropriation of certain Proposition 56 items	^e	^e
Subtotals	(\$32.2)	(\$43.0)
Cash and Food Assistance Payments		
Reinstate annual SSP COLA	\$55.0 ^c	—
Increase CalWORKs grants to 50 percent of federal poverty level based on family size	400.0 ^c	—
Reinstate annual CalWORKs COLA	50.0 ^c	—
Transfer \$1 billion to new CalWORKs Safety Net Reserve Account	—	—
Augment Governor’s proposal for the CalWORKs Homeless Assistance Program	—	\$17.8 ^c
Augment Governor’s proposal for CalFood Emergency Food Program	—	12.6
Food bank infrastructure grants (one time)	5.0	25.0
Diaper bank grants (one time)	—	10.0
Subtotals	(\$510.0)	(\$65.4)
Child Welfare Services		
Establish foster youth law enforcement diversion program	—	\$5.0
Establish crisis hotline and mobile response services for foster caregivers and children	—	15.0 ^c
Expand eligibility for Chafee higher education grants for former foster youth up to age 26	—	4.0
Subtotals	—	(\$24.0)
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Immigration-Related Legal Services		
Central Valley Legal Fellows Project (one time)	—	\$2.4
Immigration services for Temporary Protected Status holders (one time)	—	10.0
Revolving Immigration Bond Fund (one time)	—	5.0
Offset costs of public defenders in immigration court (one time)	—	24.0
Subtotals	—	(\$41.4)
Developmental Services		
Provide two-year rate increase for vendors in areas with local minimum wage (one time)	—	\$50.0
Repeal half-day billing policy in statute	—	1.4
Provide funding for Best Buddies program (one time)	—	1.5
Subtotals	—	(\$52.9)
Aging/Seniors and Persons With Disabilities		
Increase funding for Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program	\$2.3	\$7.3
Increase funding for Deaf Access Program	—	4.1
Increase funding for senior nutrition	—	10.0
Fund Alzheimer’s public outreach initiative (one time)	—	2.2
Provide funding for California Senior Legislature	—	0.3
Subtotals	(\$2.3)	(\$23.9)
County Administration and Support		
Augment Governor’s Continuum of Care Reform proposal	\$25.0	\$49.1
Augment county Single Allocation for CalWORKs employment services (one time)	10.0	23.5
Augment Governor’s proposal for IHSS county administration (one time)	—	20.0
Provide funding for CMIPS (one time)	—	2.5
Subtotals	(\$35.0)	(\$95.1)
Other		
Holocaust Survivor services grant program (one time)	—	\$3.6
Reject Governor’s proposal to rightsize Office of Law Enforcement Support	—	-0.7
Augmentation to the Low-Income Weatherization Program (one time)	\$38.0 ^b	20.0 ^b
Subtotals	(\$38.0)	(\$22.9)
^a Except where noted in a few cases, all legislative actions reflect an augmentation that does not relate to a Governor’s budget proposal. ^b Where noted, there are a few cases where non-General Fund funding is at issue. ^c Costs increase in the out years. ^d The Senate approved the appropriation through the Department of Public Health, while the Assembly approved it through the Office of Planning and Research. ^e The Senate denied continuous appropriation authority for one of three items, while the Assembly denied this for all three items.		
DHCS = Department of Health Care Services; SSP = State Supplementary Payment; COLA = cost-of-living adjustment; IHSS = In-Home Supportive Services; and CMIPS = Case Management, Information and Payrolling System.		

	Adopt Language?	
	Senate	Assembly
Codify file clearance process (identity verification for certain HHS programs)	No	Yes
Study time to count as CalWORKs welfare-to-work hours	No	Yes
Status updates on Kern Regional Center contract issues (uncodified)	No	Yes
Allow employees at licensed health facilities to talk privately with inspectors	Yes	No
Long-Term Care Ombudsman budget bill language	No	Yes
Budget bill language allowing reimbursement for EITC outreach by the CSD	No	Yes
Establish the CalWORKs Home Visiting Initiative on an ongoing basis	No	Yes
Extend ongoing funding for foster parent recruitment and retention	No	Yes
Establish San Mateo Health Plan dental managed care pilot project	Yes	No
Require stakeholder input into mental health homeless outreach grant process	Yes	No
Create new Office of School Health at California Department of Education	No	Yes
Modify administration's Medi-Cal General Fund loan authority proposal	Yes	No
Modify administration's IST proposal	Yes	No
Limit ability of DHCS to recoup certain physician overpayments	Yes	No

HHS = Health and Human Services; EITC = Earned Income Tax Credit; CSD = Department of Community Services and Development; IST = incompetent to stand trial; and DHCS = Department of Health Care Services.