

FY 2017-2019 Biennial Budget Proposal Comparison (UPDATED: March 27, 2017)

This table compares the House and Senate expenditure budgets. A second table compares the mental health budgets. Spending figures include both state and federal dollars unless otherwise noted. [Click here to read WSHA priorities.](#)



Issue	WSHA Request	Senate	House
Hospital Safety Net Assessment- provides \$300 million in funds to hospitals and \$300 million to the state	No changes to program	Included	Included
Hospital-based Clinics (proposed cuts of \$150M)	No cuts	No cuts	No cuts
Post-acute patient transition and placement	\$5-6 million	Not funded	Study for skilled nursing placement on complex patients
Essential services in small rural hospitals (WHRAP)	\$2.1 million	Not included since bill had not been heard	\$2.1 million
Nursing homes in small rural hospitals (no IB)	\$112,000	\$112,000	Included but agency told to fund out of current appropriations
Education and training for psych ARNP	\$5 million	Not funded	Not funded
Improvements to the prescription monitoring program	\$800,000	\$1.4 million	\$1.1 million
Statewide registry for advance directives	\$1 million	Not funded	Not funded
Opioids: UW pain management call center	\$700,000	Not funded	\$1.2 million
Other health care services and impacts			
Managed care rate increase		Not funded	\$214 million
Medicaid waiver funding		Largely not included	Included
Foundational public health services	WSHA supported	Not funded	\$40 million
Statewide registry for advance directives	\$1 million		
Newborn screening fees		\$400,000 paid by hospitals	\$1 million paid by hospitals

2017-2019 Mental Health Budget Comparison of Senate and House

Community Investments	WSHA Request	Senate (total funds)	House (total funds)
Medicaid payment for integrated behavioral health in primary care	\$4 million	\$ 4 million	\$4 million
Medicaid payment for depression screening: children 12-18 and postpartum mothers 0-6 months	WSHA supported	Not funded	\$1.1 million
90/180 commitments in community hospitals	WSHA requested	\$10.5 million	\$18.6 million
Psychiatric rate increase for Medicaid	Up to \$10 million	\$10.8 million	\$18.1 million
Post-acute settings: 1-2) Rate increases for facilities including adult family homes, nursing homes, and other community settings 3) Wage increases for in-home workers	WSHA requested \$5-6 million for placing complex patients	1) \$21.8 million total for patients with behavioral health conditions needing placement (HB 1968) 2) \$164 million rate increase for facilities serving patients with developmental disabilities and long term care needs 3) Not funded	1. \$20.3 million total for patients with behavioral health conditions needing placement (HB 1968) 2. \$52.2 million for rate increase for adult family only homes serving long term care needs (collective bargaining agreement) 3. \$160.3 million 4. Legislative study to examine barriers to SNF placement for complex patients
Community mental health provider rate increase through behavioral health organizations	WSHA supported	Not funded	\$50.8 million
Other mental health investments		1) \$10.8 million total in six crisis centers 2) \$3 million in two clubhouse – community-like centers with mental health resources 3) No funds for mobile crisis team 4) No funds for new residential facilities 5) \$2.5 million for supportive housing	1) \$3.6 million total for two crisis centers 2) Not funded 3) \$1.6 million for mobile crisis team 4) \$4.9 million for new residential post-acute facilities 5) \$8.3 million for supportive housing
Increase education slots psychiatric ARNP	\$5 million	Not funded	Not funded
Subtotal funds (state and federal)		\$224.9 million	\$338.2 million
State Hospital Changes/Investments			
Changes to civil wards		Closes two civil wards: saves -\$3.4 million	Converts two civil wards to forensic wards
Targeted funds for discharging patients from state hospitals to community settings		1) \$24.6 million 2) \$6.5 million for state operated living arrangements	1. \$28 million 2. \$8.1 million for state operated living arrangements
Staff increases to comply with Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services Conditions of Participation		\$53 million	\$42 million in staffing for compliance and \$20 million for hospital overspending
Subtotal funds (state and federal)		\$84.1 million	\$98.1 million
Total funds (state and federal)		\$309 million	\$436.3 million