

2019-21 House Budget Proposal

The following chart outlines key items in the 2019-21 House proposed budget, which was released March 25. Once the Senate releases its proposed 2019-21 budget, this chart will compare items from each budget. The chart lists state funds and total funds, which includes federal funding.

Top Hospital/Health System Budget Items

Item	House	WSHA Position
Operating funding to expand capacity of 90- and 180-day civil commitment beds in community hospitals (WSHA to confirm per diem rates).	\$42.8 million state funds (\$65.6 million total) (operating funding)	Actively support
Capital funding to support hospitals to increase capacity of 90- and 180-day civil commitment patients.	\$31.9 million state funds (capital funding), that include the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Virginia Mason Memorial: \$2.2 million • Providence Everett: \$4.7 million • MultiCare Auburn: \$25 million Also, \$40 million state funds - competitive grant for behavioral health capacity	Actively support
Add partial hospitalization and intensive outpatient services as a Medicaid benefit.	Not funded in House budget	Actively support
Maintain hospital safety net assessment program	Requires no state funds – funded as WSHA supports	Actively Support
Increase community respite beds for adults and children with developmental disabilities	\$3.2 million state (\$3.6 million total)	Actively support
Establish crisis stabilization for DDA clients following hospitalization	\$1.1 million state funds	Actively support
Enhanced rates for DDA community providers	\$62.2 million state funds (\$123.2 million total)	Actively support
Improve the state's Prescription Monitoring Program to ensure providers can access timely information to help combat the opioid crisis	\$100,000 state funds (\$430,000 total)	Actively support

Behavioral Health Budget Items

Item	House	WSHA Position
Increase bi-directional behavioral health rates for health and behavioral codes and psychotherapy codes	\$5.7 million state funds (\$15.8 million total)	Support
Create and operate tele-behavioral health video call center for on demand tele-psychiatry and SUD consults	\$3.6 million state funds (\$4.1 million total)	Support
Support new intensive behavioral health treatment facility for patients leaving state psychiatric hospitals	\$1.9 million state funds (\$3.5 million total)	Support
Support pilot for a mental health drop-in facility to divert patients from crisis and inpatient care	\$237,000 state funds (\$449,000 total)	Support
Establish eight Program for Assertive Community Treatment (PACT) teams statewide.	\$6 million state funds (\$18.6 million total)	Support
Increase psychiatric residency positions at UW	\$600,000 state funds (\$600,000 total)	Support
Pre-design, planning, and design of University of Washington 150-bed behavioral health teaching hospital (capital funds)	\$33.8 million state funds (capital funding)	Support
Community placement for aging patients discharging from state psychiatric hospitals. WSHA is checking to see if funding can be used for community hospitals as we had advocated.	\$29.3 million state funds (\$54.2 million total)	Support
Create two new 16-bed secure withdrawal management and evaluation facilities and increase per diem rate up to \$650. Require MCOs to pay no less than FFS rate in 2020.	\$9.4 million state funds (\$15.6 million total)	Support
Whatcom County crisis stabilization center	\$1 million state funds (\$1 million total)	Support
Substance use disorder services supports , including emergency department linkages, medication assisted treatment capacity tracking, peer recruitment, housing, family education, family navigators, benefit access, recovery programs, supported employment.	\$0 state funds (\$7.9 million total)	Support
Increase access to substance use disorder peer supports	\$500,000 state funds (\$2.2 million total)	
Return of reserves from Behavioral Health Organizations	-\$35 million state (-\$61 million total)	

Other Health Care Budget Items

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Increase testing of sexual assault forensic evidence kits by the state crime lab	\$10.9 million state funds	Actively support
Expand services offered by the Office of Public Guardianship	\$1.3 million state funds	Support
Increase crime victim compensation payment rates to health care providers	\$6.8 million state funds	Support
Hold on certain rural health clinic recoupments for 2011-2013 and 2014-2017 reconciliation periods	No state funds	
Increase support for foundational public health services , including the ability of public health to address communicable disease and environmental health	\$22 million state funds	Support
Address the opioid crisis through prevention and education efforts in Yakima and fentanyl testing to prevent overdose deaths	\$901,000 total funds	Support
Improve vaccination rates for the MMR vaccine	\$44,000 state funds	Support
Improve license processing times for health professions	\$2.01 million total	Support
Develop a palliative care roadmap to provide information and guidance to providers, patients, and families	\$25,000 state funds	Support
Biennial maternal mortality review report	\$344,000 state funds	Support
Medicaid hospital payment add-on for newborn screening Department of Health screening costs for Pompe/MPS-1/X-ALD	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$362,000 state funds (\$980,000 total) • \$1.9 million (paid by increased testing fees) 	Support
Actuarial consulting and contract management to implement (HB 1523) standardized plans and public option	\$500,000 state funds (\$1.6 million total)	
Studies and workgroups: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative work on preventable hospitalizations in Pierce County • Funding to develop strategies to address the nursing shortage in long-term care settings • HCA actuarial review of DRG high dollar outlier policies and thresholds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$750,000 state • \$200,00 state • No additional funding for review 	
Reduce homelessness and develop supportive housing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homelessness: Youth 	\$42.24 million state funds, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$9 million 	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Homelessness: Rent assistance • Emergency Shelter • Better Health Housing • Housing & Essential needs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$12.44 million • \$204,000 • \$1.5 million • \$12.7 million 	
<p>Budget restorations for assumed savings that will not be realized</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Healthier Washington • Pharmacy savings • Dental savings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$55 million state (\$120.6 million total) • \$14.2 million state (\$49.7 million total) • \$11.3 million state (\$29.4 million total) 	