

STATEWIDE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES IMPACTED BY LOW REVENUE GROWTH AND TAX CUTS

To overcome FY 2015 budget shortfalls, DMH will reduce its state General Revenue spending by approximately \$34 million. The actions taken by the Governor's Office and DMH attempt to minimize the impact of the cuts to existing programs for the 170,000 individuals served by the department each year.

- The Governor has vetoed the 2% provider rate increases; the 5% rate increase for adolescent psychiatric services; and the developmental disability providers' rate rebasing for a combined total reduction of \$22,675,763.
- The Governor has vetoed funding for an emergency mental health services pilot initiative in Kansas City, Missouri, totaling \$2,500,000.
- DMH will transfer the management of six DD Regional Offices in Albany, Hannibal, Joplin, Kirksville, Poplar Bluff and Rolla to the remaining DD Regional Offices, totaling \$1,506,690.
- The Governor has vetoed new funding for Autism diagnosis and treatment, totaling \$1,300,000.
- The Governor has restricted 10% of the current DMH core funding spending to five regional Autism projects and Autism Diagnostic Centers, totaling \$1,137,118.
- The Governor has vetoed funding to continue a model program for offenders with alcohol and drug problems transitioning from prisons to communities, totaling \$1,000,000.
- The Governor has restricted spending for the Psychiatric Crisis Stabilization Center in St. Louis, Missouri, now providing short-term inpatient crisis services for individuals with mental illness, totaling \$750,000.
- The Governor has vetoed funding in DMH's core budget for a program for secure detox services in Northwest Missouri, not fully implemented, totaling \$750,000.
- The Governor has vetoed the funding of two new psychiatric resident positions at the University of Missouri-Columbia, totaling \$620,000.
- DMH will phase-down and close the state-operated Cottonwood Residential Treatment Center effective January 1, 2015. Cottonwood now provides residential services for children with mental health problems. The reduction totals \$482,808.

- The Governor has vetoed the funding for the Family Support Partnership Program, a pilot program in the St. Charles area to provide support for families of young children with disabilities, totaling \$300,000.
- The Governor has vetoed new funding for the Missouri Eating Disorders Council, totaling \$160,575. The Governor has also restricted DMH core spending for the Missouri Eating Disorders Council, totaling \$39,425.
- The Governor has restricted spending for DMH Central Office Administrative Services, totaling \$168,558.

The total reduction of all of the above items is \$34,150,301 which is a combined total of \$33,390,937 from the DMH budget as well as \$759,364 for employee fringe benefits which is not directly included in the DMH budget. There is a total reduction of 157.17 DMH state employee positions.

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