

Problem Gambling Services

Reallocation Discussion

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Treatment System Mid-Year Reallocation Discussion

Situation

 Gambling treatment system claims are below projections

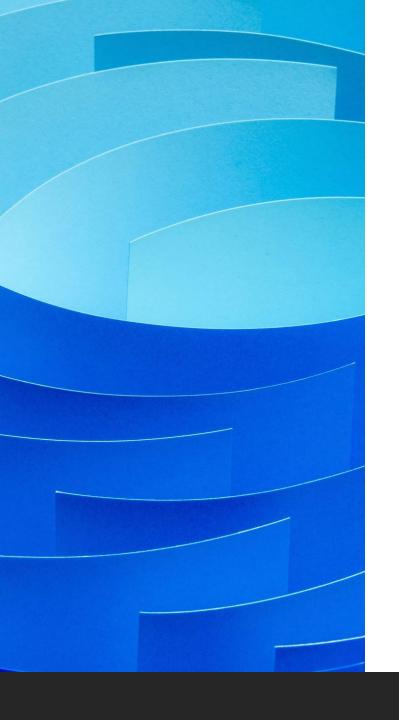
Possible Actions

- Re-balance gambling treatment provider allocations to best fit projected FY23 expenditures
- Increase use of add-on codes (wrap around services) by increasing provider limit from 5% of total budget to 10% of total budget

Even with above two actions, the treatment system is estimated to be overbudgeted approximately \$171,561; necessitating the need to move these funds from the treatment services budget line to other service categories

Investment Options to Consider: Re-allocating \$171,561

Enhancement Areas	Comments	Fiscal Impact <u>SFY2024</u>
Research enhancements	Currently budgeted \$155,000; Increase budget to fund an additional project(s).	One time program initiative. No SFY23 fiscal impact.
	Rural services needs assessment with recommendations	
	 Workforce development needs assessment with recommendations 	
	Student Gambling Study	
	Others?	
Workforce development enhancements	Currently budgeted \$42K; 16K in additional funds to support the additional efforts with the SUD integration project trainings and workforce incentives.	Carry forward into SFY24. Increase in the CASAT budget from \$42K to \$58K (\$16K)
Public awareness campaign enhancements	Currently budgeted \$100K. Increase budget to purchase additional ad time for previously produced television ads and/or increase social media purchases.	One time program initiative. No SFY24 fiscal impact.
Other ideas?		



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SFY2024 Allocations & considerations

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SFY 2024 Allocation Discussion

Situation

- Governor's SFY 2024 budget requests suggest problem gambling services budget will be unchanged (flat budget)
- Few funds are available to add new programs.

Possible Actions

- Add system enhancements based on current (SFY2023) program spending, leaving approximately \$100,000 for SFY2024 enhancements
- Flat fund services and keep extra funds in reserve to program mid-way through SFY2024
- Consider cuts to select current spending items to fund new projects

Department allocation recommendations to follow.

SFY2024 Department Recommended Enhancements

Enhancements

 RFA for Spanish language gambling treatment telehealth provider

Discussion

- Opportunity to offer culturally and linguistically appropriate gambling treatment services to Hispanic community
- Likely need to remove CPGC requirement and replace with mental health professional with addiction treatment experience plus problem gambling treatment education
- Estimated \$50,000 budget
- Would need begin procurement process this quarter to have in place by July 1, 2023
- Seeking ACPG recommendation

SFY2024 Department Recommended Enhancements

Enhancements

Expand Problem Gambling Integration Project

Discussion

- Add five more SAPTA certified agencies to project
- Conduct "Gambling Endorsement" reviews for current group of 5 pilot agencies
- Increase CASAT budget (\$16,000) and Problem Gambling Solutions budget (\$7,500) to support Integration Project expansion (e.g., costs to conduct trainings, develop program materials, and conduct endorsement reviews).

SFY2024 Possible Changes & Challenges

Potential Change

 Residential treatment rate schedule change from bundled to unbundled.

 Behavioral health treatment services rate study may lead to increased compensation rates.

Discussion

- If this initiative was enacted, potential for Medicaid to cover some of the costs of residential gambling treatment.
- Problem gambling treatment reimbursement rates are indexed to SAPTA rates. If changed, that may impact PGS budget/expenses.