

Budget Item Description	Agency	Governor	House	Senate	WSHA Position
Hospital/Health System Specific					
Site neutral payment: Funding is reduced to assume savings related to requiring HCA to pay for clinic services at the same rate regardless of hospital affiliation. Currently, hospital-based clinics are compensated at a higher rate. We believe this is targeted toward off-campus facilities/clinics.	HCA	(\$11 M) - GFS (\$38 M) - Total	Not Included	Not included	Strongly Oppose
Carveout pharmacy benefit from managed care to fee for service: Reduction from shifting Medicaid pharmacy benefit from managed care to fee for service. This would prohibit 340B entity retail pharmacies from recognizing the 340B discounts. This reflects 6 months of impact, beginning January 1, 2027.	HCA	(\$7.5 M) - GFS (\$20.5 M) - Total	Not Included	Not included	Strongly Oppose
Medicaid Access Program eliminated: Funding for professional fee directed payment program eliminated due to federal law changes that do not allow the program to be implemented.	HCA	\$0 - GFS (\$98.3 M) - Total	(\$111,000) - GFS (\$98.5 M) - Total	(\$116,000) - GFS (\$98.0 M) - Total	Neutral
Nurse preceptor grant reduction: Savings are achieved by reducing the available grants for nursing supervisors by one-half.	DOH	(\$1.5 M) - GFS/Total	(\$1.5 M) - GFS/Total	Not included	Oppose
340B drug pricing program: Funding for an annual drug price transparency report and to collect associated fees. (E2SSB 5981)	HCA	Not Included	Not Included	\$608,000 - GFS/Total	Support
Physical, occupational and speech therapy: Eliminates adult PT, OT, and ST benefit for Medicaid FFS and managed care.	HCA	Not Included	(\$8.7 M) - GFS (\$40.8 M) - Total	Not Included	Concerns
HR 1					
HR 1 Rural Health Transformation Program: Funds to implement the RHTP under HR 1.	HCA	\$0 - GFS \$150 M - Total	\$0 - GFS \$302 M - Total	\$0 - GFS \$302 M - Total	Support
HR 1 federal reductions: Funding to address impacts of federal changes to Medicaid eligibility/eligibility verification. - WAHBE community engagement verification hub. - Upgrade ProviderOne to comply with CMS mitigation plans for eligibility verification processes. - HCA Master Person Index to comply with CMS mitigation plan for eligibility verification processes.	HCA	\$13.8 M - GFS \$21.4 M - Total	\$2.5 M- GFS \$14.6 M - Total	\$2.5 M- GFS \$14.6 M - Total	Support

HR 1 funding for noncitizens losing coverage: Gov: Adds 500 non-citizen slots for clients currently receiving DSHS long term care and developmental disabilities services. <i>House: Fund 600 non-citizen slots for clients currently receiving long-term care and developmental disability services who will lose access to Medicaid.Senate: Phased-in HCA funding for 1,191 non-citizen clients currently receiving long-term care and developmental disability services who will lose access to Medicaid.</i>	DSHS & HCA	DSHS: \$7.6 M – GFS/Total	DSHS DDA: \$557,000 – GFS/Total DSHS LTC: \$10.57 M – GFS/Total HCA: \$2.64 M – GFS/Total	DSHS DDA: \$3.04 M - 4 yr Total DSHS LTC: \$19.1 M - GFS/Total & \$190.4 M - 4 yr Total HCA: \$1.9 M – GFS/Total	Support
HR 1 preparations: Staff and IT projects to prepare for HR 1 requirements related to SNAP, job training services, and work requirements.	DSHS	\$13.9 M – GFS \$26.8 M – Total	\$24.5 M – GFS \$48.6 M – Total	\$21.5 M – GFS \$49.98 M – Total	Support
Health Care Coverage Changes					
Cascade Care Savings (Health Benefit Exchange): Funds to provide continued premium assistance for qualified health plans for Washingtonians under 250% of the federal poverty limit, who are ineligible for Medicaid or Medicare.	HCA	\$0 M - GFS \$25 M - Total	\$0 M - GFS \$25 M - Total	\$0 M - GFS \$47.5 M - Total	Support
Healthplanfinder upgrades: Funds to upgrade health plan finder to comply with CMS plans requiring the state to streamline eligibility verification.	HCA	\$632,000 - GFS \$3.4 M - Total	\$22,000 - GFS \$3.4 M - Total	\$22,000 - GFS \$3.4 M - Total	Support
Apple Health Expansion caseload reduction: Funding is reduced due to Apple Health Expansion caseload decrease.	HCA	(\$59.8 M) - GFS/Total	Caseload reduction (\$33 M) - GFS/Total Change from managed care to FFS (\$2.1 M) - GFS (\$4.3 M) - Total	Caseload reduction (\$34.7 M) - GFS/Total Change from managed care to FFS (\$2.1 M) - GFS (\$4.3 M) - Total	Neutral
Interoperability and prior authorization requirements: Funding to comply with CMS rule that requires states to improve electronic exchange of health care data and streamline processes related to prior authorization.	HCA	\$1.3 M - GFS \$4.2 M - Total	\$1.3 M - GFS \$4.2 M - Total	\$1.3 M - GFS \$4.2 M - Total	Support
Medicare open enrollment support: Funds temporary administrative support during the Medicare open enrollment	OIC	\$0 M - GFS \$2.5 M - Total	\$0 M - GFS \$2.5 M -Total	\$0 M - GFS \$2.5 M -Total	Support
Maternal health outcomes: Funds reduced to reflect a delay in implementation to align eligibility requirements for pregnant people and children at 210% of the federal poverty level, update maternity support services, and create a postdelivery transitional care program for people with substance use disorder as described.	HCA	Not Included	(\$1.3 M) - GFS (\$3.4 M) - Total	(\$1.3 M) - GFS (\$3.4 M) - Total	Concerns

Behavioral Health					
Community beds at OHBH: Contracting for Olympic Heritage Behavioral Health community beds delayed until FY 2028.	HCA	(\$7.7 M) - GFS (\$11.1 M) - Total	\$150,000 - GFS/Total	(\$2.3 M) – GFS (\$3.7 M) – Total	
Long-term civil commitment beds: Funding adjusted to align with projected expenditures for individuals on 90-day to 180-day civil commitment orders who are served in community settings.	HCA	(\$21.5 M) - GFS (\$32.7 M) - Total	(\$20.4 M) - GFS/Total	(\$18.7 M) – GFS (\$29.4 M) – Total	
Long-term rate enhancements: Funds provided to pay a \$500 rate enhancement for civil conversion patients and those with high acuity levels in community long-term care inpatient provider settings is reduced to align with projected expenditures.	HCA	Not Included	(\$6.6 M) - GFS/Total	(\$6.6 M) – GFS (\$10.6 M) – Total	
Certified Community Behavioral Health clinics: Certification of two Certified Community Behavioral Health clinics as part of federal demonstration program beginning 1/2027.	HCA	Not Included	\$2.8 M - GFS \$11.6 M - Total	\$2.8 M – GFS \$11.6 M – Total	
Post Acute/Long-Term Care (Complex Discharge)					
SNF & rehab network adequacy: Establish and adopt network adequacy standards for post-acute care services for MCOs per ESSB 5124.	HCA	Not Included	Not Included	\$98,000 - 4 yr Total	Strongly Support
Continuation of health homes program: Funds care coordination for Medicaid patients with chronic health conditions through 2027.	HCA	\$6.3 M – GFS \$18.5 M – Total	\$3.8 M – GFS \$10.5 M – Total	\$3.8 M – GFS \$10.5 M – Total	Support
Reduce capacity for people transitioning to community: <i>Gov:</i> Reduces State-Operated Living Alternative beds from 9 to 3 and eliminates community transition care management. <i>Senate and House:</i> Fund 3 State-Operated Living Alternative beds. <i>Senate:</i> Reduce administrative supports for State-Operated Living Alternatives.	DSHS	(\$1.9 M) – GFS (\$3.6 M) – Total	\$1.7 M – GFS \$3.3 M – Total (\$500,000) – GFS/Total	\$1.1 M – GFS \$2.2 M – Total (\$393,000) – GFS (\$784,000) – Total	
Reduce beds at Transitional Care Center of Seattle: <i>Gov:</i> Reduce beds from 80 to 60. <i>Senate:</i> Slow phase in for 80 Medicaid beds; funding for 80 beds beginning 2028. <i>House:</i> Reduce beds from 80 to 60.	DSHS	(\$2.9 M) – GFS (\$5.7 M) – Total	(\$4.4 M) – GFS (\$8.8 M) – Total	(\$5.9 M) – GFS (\$11.7 M) – Total	
Long term care discharge legal counsel: Office of Civil Legal Aid legal counsel for Medicaid-eligible residents at risk of discharge or transfer from long-term care facilities, as required by CMS findings.	Office of Civil Legal Aid	\$2.1 M – GFS/Total	\$783,000 – GFS/Total	\$783,000 – GFS/Total	
Reduced AAA case management services.	DSHS	(\$2.5 M) – GFS/Total	(\$2.5 M) – GFS (\$5 M) – Total	(\$2.01 M) – GFS (\$4.05 M) – Total	

Eliminate specialized dementia rates: Reduce specialized dementia care rate and shift clients to lower rate.	DSHS	Not Included	(\$305,000) – GFS (\$663,000) – Total	(\$307,000) – GFS (\$668,000) – Total	
Other budget items relevant to health care					
Foundational public health services: <i>Gov:</i> Reduces recent expansions. <i>House:</i> Funding for public health nurses to support child protective services in Snohomish, Pierce, Yakima, and Spokane county local health jurisdictions.	Special approps. to the Governor	(\$29.1 M) – GFS/Total	\$876,000 – GFS/Total	Not Included	
Child welfare workload model: Funds indirect administrative support for DCYF's update to its workload model related to the Keeping Families Together Act.	DCYF	\$3 M - GFS \$4 M - Total	\$12,300 - GFS \$2.2 M - Total	\$2.2 M - GFS \$3.3 M - Total	
D.S. legal/plaintiff fees: <i>Gov:</i> Funds plaintiff and court monitor obligations as part of the settlement agreement in the 2021 class action lawsuit related to hotel and DCYF office overnight stays for children awaiting placement. <i>House:</i> Funds a second phase of stakeholder engagement activities as required by the settlement agreement. <i>Senate:</i> Funding is provided for stakeholder engagement related to system improvements in the D.S. v. DCYF settlement agreement.	DCYF	\$2.1 M - Total	\$200,000 - Total	\$200,000 - Total	
Services for victims of crimes: <i>Gov:</i> Funds services for victims of crimes, including sexual assault and child abuse. Services include mental health support, legal assistance and emergency housing. <i>House:</i> Funding is provided for the Office of Crime Victims Advocacy (OCVA) to provide funding to crime victim service providers consistent with OCVA's state plan for federal Victims of Crime Act funding. Of this amount, \$500,000 is provided for victim advocacy services for victims of crimes perpetrated by juvenile offenders. <i>Senate:</i> Additional funding is provided for the Office of Crime Victims Advocacy (OCVA) to provide funding to crime victim service providers consistent with OCVA's state plan for federal Victims of Crime Act funding.	Commerce	\$10 M - GFS \$11 M - Total	\$18 M - Total	\$19.4 M - GFS \$21.4 M - Total	
Workers' comp medical care: Funding to implement E2SSB 5847 which permits medical providers to deviate from treatment guidelines when medically appropriate and allows injured workers to visit non-network providers in specified circumstances.	L&I	Not Included	Not Included	\$3.5 M - Total	