

# Department of Health

Governor's FY 2021 Revised, FY 2022 Budget  
and Capital Budget Recommendations  
House Finance Committee  
April 28, 2021

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# Department of Health

- 1 of 4 health and human service agencies under the umbrella of EOHHS
  - Department of Health
  - Department of Human Services
  - Department of Behavioral Healthcare, Developmental Disabilities and Hospitals
  - Department of Children, Youth and Families

# Department of Health

- Programs
  - Central Management
  - Community Health and Equity
  - Environmental Health
  - Health Laboratories and Medical Examiners
  - Customer Services
  - Policy, Information and Communications
  - Preparedness, Response, Infectious Disease and Emergency Services (PRIDEmS)
  - COVID-19

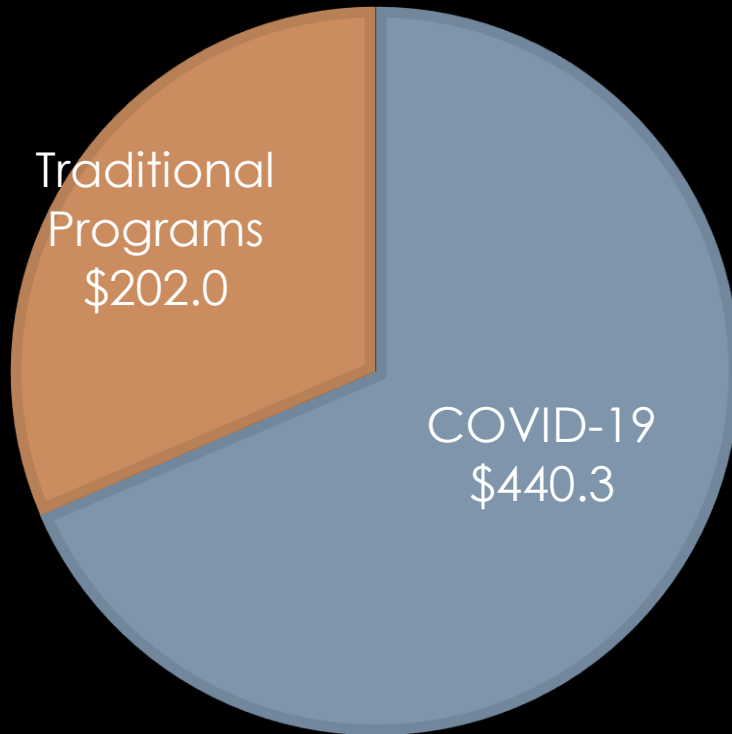
# Funding by Source

	<b>Gen. Rev.</b>	<b>Federal Funds</b>	<b>Restr. Rec.</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Total</b>
FY 2021 Enacted	\$110.3	\$420.4	\$47.8	\$0.2	\$578.6
Gov. Rev.	\$32.8	\$547.3	\$62.0	\$0.2	\$642.3
<b>Change</b>	<b>\$(77.5)</b>	<b>\$126.9</b>	<b>\$14.2</b>	<b>\$-</b>	<b>\$63.6</b>
FY 2022 Request	\$32.9	\$117.9	\$50.9	\$0.4	\$202.2
Governor	\$30.6	\$277.7	\$55.6	\$0.6	\$364.4
<b>Gov. to Enacted</b>	<b>\$(79.7)</b>	<b>\$(142.7)</b>	<b>\$7.7</b>	<b>\$0.4</b>	<b>\$(214.2)</b>
<b>Gov. to Request</b>	<b>\$(2.4)</b>	<b>\$159.7</b>	<b>\$4.6</b>	<b>\$0.2</b>	<b>\$162.2</b>

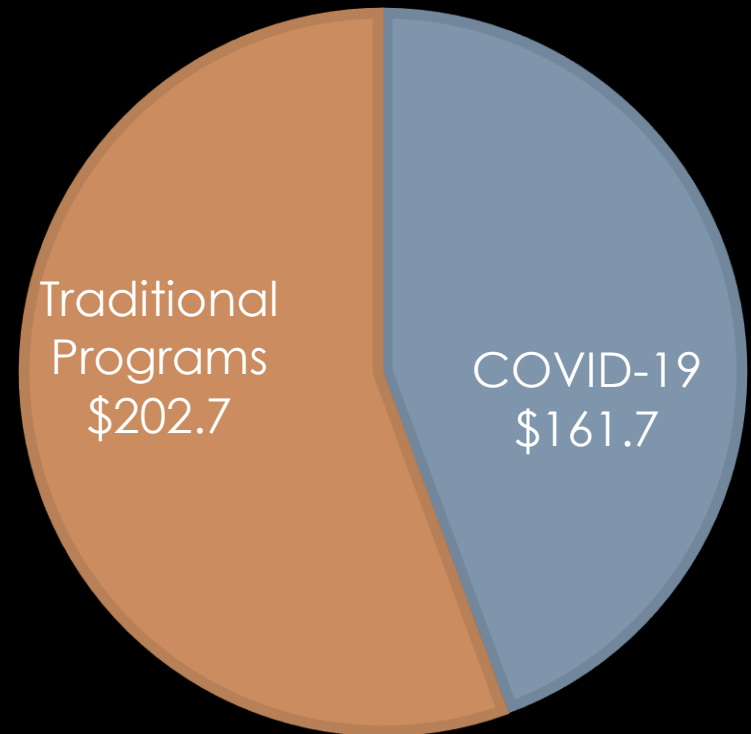
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# Governor's Recommendation

**FY 2021 REVISED**

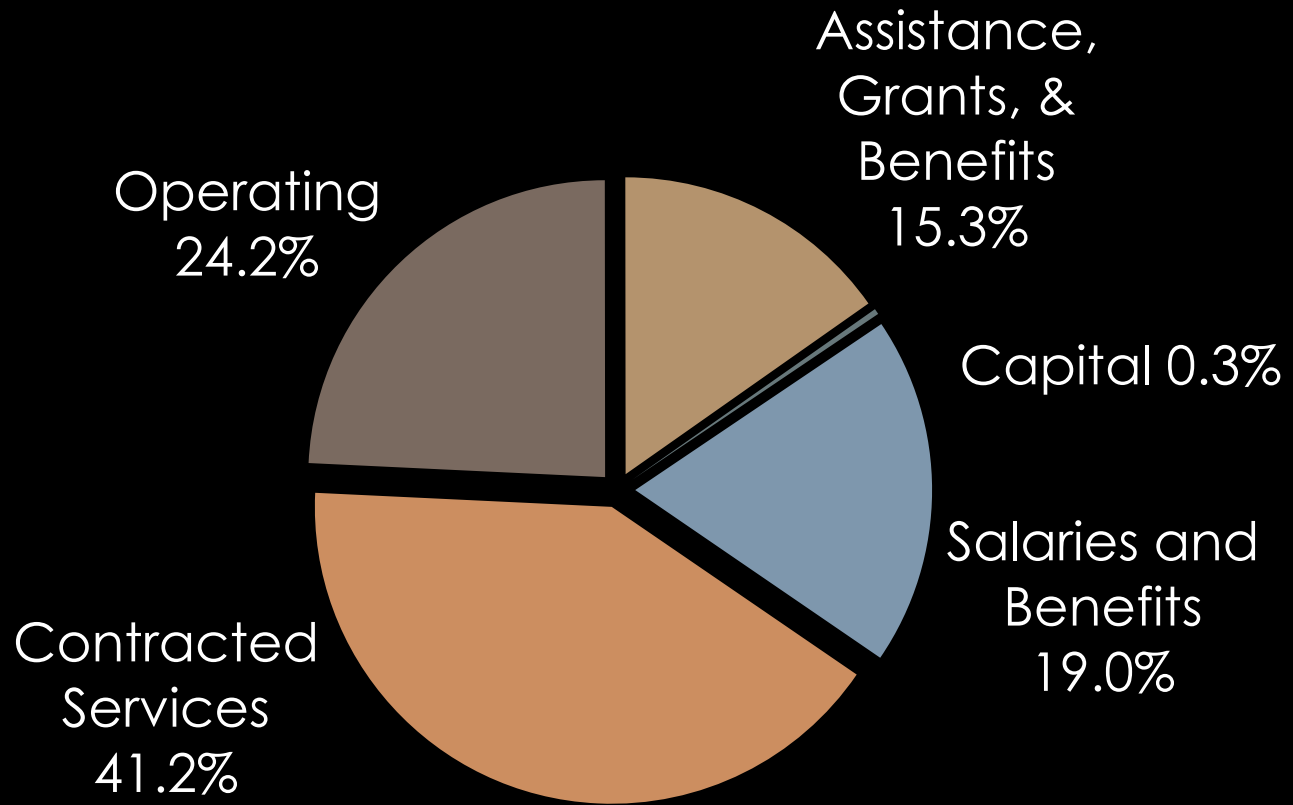


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# Recommendation by Category



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	Articles	Hearing Date
Opioid Stewardship Fund	Article 2, Sec. 1	March 30
Requests for Public Health Data Fees	Article 6, Sec. 4	March 30
Shellfish Dockside Program	Article 10, Sec. 7	April 1
First Connections and Parents as Teachers	Article 12	April 14
Interstate Medical Licensing	Article 15, Sec. 1-7	April 15

# Staffing

Full-Time Equivalent Positions		Change to Enacted
Enacted Authorization	513.6	-
FY 2021 Rev. Req.	555.6	42.0
FY 2021 Gov. Revised	513.6	-
FY 2022 Request	555.6	42.0
FY 2022 Governor	517.6	4.0
Filled as of April 10	507.4	(6.2)



# Staffing – New Positions

<b>FY 2021 Enacted</b>	<b>513.6</b>
Shellfish Dockside Program	3.0
Request for Public Health Data	2.0
Opioid Stewardship Fund	1.0
Vital Records - Satellite Office Closure	(1.0)
Vital Records – Eliminate 1.0 FTE	(1.0)
<b><i>Change to Enacted</i></b>	<b>4.0</b>
<b>FY 2022 Recommendation</b>	<b>517.6</b>

# Department of Health

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# COVID-19 – CDC Grants

<b>Federal Legislation</b>	<b>Grant Amount</b>
Families First Coronavirus Reponses Act	\$6.9
Coronavirus Aid, Relief, & Economic Security Act (CARES)	7.4
Paycheck Protection Program & Health Care Enhancement Act	87.6
Coronavirus Response & Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act	70.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$172.4</b>

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# Indirect Cost Recovery

- Most of Department's federal grants allow a percent cost recovery charge on actual amounts expended
  - 19.2% of certain expenses – rate fluctuates
    - Overhead charges for administering grants
  - Deposited in restricted receipts account
    - Can be use to administer other programs
- Influx of federal “stimulus” grants creates opportunity to generate resources

# Indirect Cost Recovery

	<b>FY 2020</b>	<b>FY 2021 Enacted</b>	<b>FY 2021 Rev.</b>	<b>Chg. to Enact</b>	<b>FY 2022 Gov.</b>	<b>Chg. to Enact</b>
Prior Yr.	\$2.6	\$1.5	\$3.5	\$1.4	\$1.3	\$(0.2)
New Receipts	7.8	6.6	16.6	10.0	9.6	3.0
<b>Available</b>	<b>\$10.4</b>	<b>\$8.1</b>	<b>\$20.1</b>	<b>\$11.5</b>	<b>\$10.9</b>	<b>\$2.8</b>
Expenditures	\$7.0	\$7.5	\$18.8	\$11.3	\$10.6	3.1
<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$3.5</b>	<b>\$0.5</b>	<b>\$1.3</b>	<b>\$0.8</b>	<b>\$0.3</b>	<b>\$(0.2)</b>

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# Indirect Cost Recovery

- Governor recommends \$18.8 million for FY 2021 and \$10.6 million for FY 2022
  - Unspecified expenses
    - \$7.5 million in FY 2021
    - \$1.7 million in FY 2022
- Includes provision in Article 1 of 2021-H 6121 and 2021-H 6122
  - Requires Director OMB to approve expenses that indirect cost recoveries on federal stimulus grants

# COVID-19

	<b>FY 2021 Gov. Rev.</b>	<b>FY 2022 Governor</b>	<b>Total</b>
Testing	\$277.2	\$87.5	\$364.7
Contact Tracing	63.1	33.9	97.0
Vaccine Campaign	35.6	24.2	59.8
Surge	23.0	0.9	23.9
Community Mitigation	9.8	6.5	16.3
Public Health Response	24.3	7.3	31.6
Other Expenses	7.3	1.4	8.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$440.3</b>	<b>\$161.7</b>	<b>\$602.0</b>

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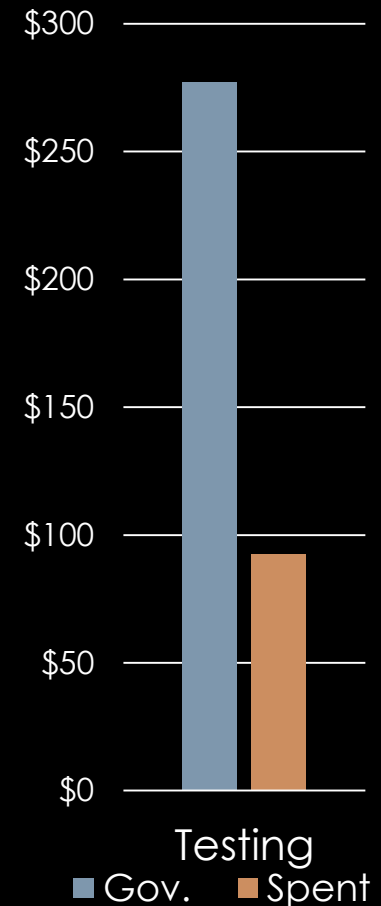
- Testing
  - Laboratory contracts
  - Site supplies and equipment
- Governor recommends \$364.7 million, including \$277.2 million in FY 2021 and \$72.2 million in FY 2022
  - \$13.0 million more than enacted budget assumed
  - Excludes \$60.5 million of general revenues



# COVID-19

## ■ Testing

- 5% of PCT tests performed at state lab
- Contracts with 3 vendors
  - Dominion Diagnostics – 55% - 57%
  - ACCU Reference Medical Lab 24%-26%
  - East Side Clinical Lab 13% -16%
- \$70 - \$ 75 per test



# COVID-19

- Contact tracing
  - Case investigation
  - Call center infrastructure and staffing
- Governor recommends \$63.1 million in FY 2021 and \$33.9 million for FY 2022
  - Two year total of \$97.0 million
    - \$33.8 million more than enacted budget had assumed – nearly all in FY 2022
  - Uses \$0.2 million of \$11.5 million gen. rev.

# COVID-19

- Vaccine campaign
  - Outreach
  - Personnel to administer
  - Storage and supplies
  - Cost of vaccine is paid directly by feds
- Governor recommends \$59.8 million
  - \$35.6M in FY 2021 and \$24.2M in FY 2022
    - \$22.3 million more than enacted budget assumed
  - Uses \$0.1 million of \$12.5 million from gen. rev.
- \$8.4 million spent through April 25

# COVID-19

- Surge
  - Operate alternative site hospitals
    - Convention Center, Cranston and North Kingstown
    - 1,000 beds capacity
  - Deconstruction
- Governor recommends \$67.9 million
  - \$14.8M more than enacted budget assumed
  - Uses \$8.2M of \$11.4M from gen. rev.
    - Contracts with Kent and RI Hospitals
    - CRF and CDC grants fully allocated
    - Not eligible FEMA expenses

# COVID-19

- Community Mitigation
  - Support Health Equity Zones
  - High density communities and entities
    - West Elmwood Housing Development Corporation
    - Olneyville Housing Corporation
    - Tri-County Community Action Agency
  - Outreach
- Governor recommends \$9.8 million for FY 2021 and \$6.5 million in FY 2022
  - \$12.1 million more than enacted budget assumed

# Health Equity Zones

- Recommended support for Health Equity Zones

Sources	Amount
General Revenues	\$198,000
Federal Funds – CDC Grants	3,000,000
Other Federal Funds	724,000
Restricted Receipts (ICR)	1,500,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,422,000</b>

# COVID-19

- Public Health Response
  - Expenses to support state's response to the pandemic
    - Information technology and software to coordinate the tracking of demographic data
    - Communication campaign
    - Interpreter/translation services
- Governor recommends \$29.7 million for FY 2021 and \$10.4 million for FY 2022
  - Expenses are in various agencies

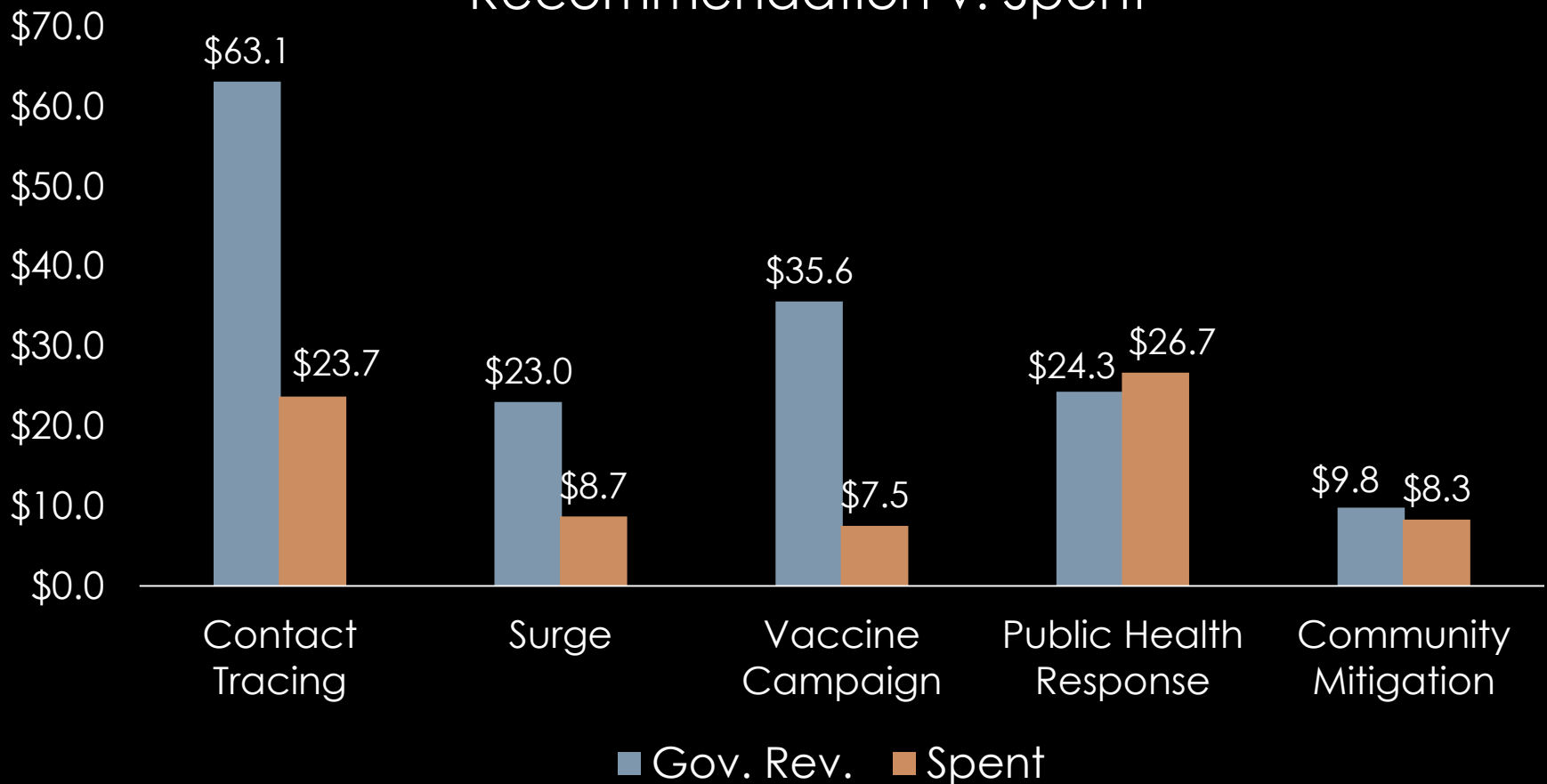
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- Recommended budget includes \$27.3 million from federal funds
  - Specific source not identified at time of budget submission “stimulus reserve”
  - Assumes funding from American Rescue Plan
    - Signed on March 11
- RI will receive \$63.7 million
  - \$31.9 million for school testing
  - \$31.8 million for vaccine preparedness



# COVID-19

## Recommendation v. Spent



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# Central Management

- Director's Office
- Administrative Functions
  - Budgeting/Finance
  - Overall administrative services
- Health Equity Institute
  - Promote access to high quality services to all Rhode Islanders

# Minority Health Program

- Works to eliminate racial and ethnic health disparities
  - Assuring racial and ethnic minority populations have equal access to high quality health services
  - Focusing on health system enhancements and programming related to:
    - Disease prevention
    - Health promotion
    - Service delivery

# Health Equity Zones

- Department requests \$0.5 million from restricted receipts to support HEZ
  - Geographical areas designed to achieve health equity
    - Eliminate health disparities using place-based strategies to promote healthy communities
  - Consistent with enacted budget
- Governor recommends \$1.5 million
  - \$1.0 million more than enacted
    - Support 3 new zones
    - Capacity grant

# Opioid Stewardship Fund

- 2019 Opioid Stewardship Act established dedicated fund
  - Assessment from gross in-state opioid sales
    - Manufacturers
    - Wholesalers
    - Distributors
  - \$5.0 million annually
    - Deposited as restricted receipts

# Article 2, Sec. 1 – Opioid Stewardship Fund

- Hearing held March 30
- Article amends Opioid Stewardship Act
  - Authorizes Budget Officer to create restricted receipt account in any agency or department where funds will be appropriated
  - Makes clarification to reporting requirement
    - Programs money is spent on and
    - Amount spent on each program
    - Annual report to Governor, Speaker of the House, and the Senate President

# Article 2, Sec. 1 – Opioid Stewardship Fund

Dept.	Program	FY 21	FY 22	
BHDDH	Access to Treatment	\$1.8	\$1.4	
	Behavioral Health Database	-	0.4	
EOHHS	Prescription Drug Monitoring Program	-	0.1	
DOH	Forensics Lab. Programs	-	1.4	
	Needle Exchange & Resources	-	0.1	
	Administrative – Operating	-	0.4	
DOC	Mental Health Services	-	0.7	
	Medication Assisted Treatment	0.8	1.6	
ELSEC	Mental Health Teacher Training*	0.6	-	
<b>\$ in millions</b>		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3.3</b>	<b>\$6.2</b>

*\*Inadvertently excluded; intent is to fund at enacted amount*



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# Community Health & Equity

## RESPONSIBILITIES

- Develop & advocate policies for promoting healthy lifestyles
- Improving access to primary care
- Reduce, prevent, & control chronic diseases & disabilities
- Perinatal & early childhood health & development
- Health, wellness & prevention services

## PROGRAMS

- WIC Nutrition Assistance
- Immunization
- Home Visiting
- Prescription Drug Overdose Prevention
- Cancer Screening
- Tobacco Control
- Suicide Prevention

# Women, Infants, & Children Nutrition Assistance

- Provides supplemental foods, nutrition education and information
  - Eligible women and children under 5
- Governor recommends \$22.4 million from federal funds
  - \$19.5 million for benefits
  - \$1.6 million for staffing costs of 13.0 FTE
  - \$1.4 million for operating costs
    - IT, claims processing & other expenses

# Immunization Programs

- Governor recommends \$53.7 million for immunization expenses
  - \$48.6 million or 90% is to purchase vaccines
  - \$4.4 more than enacted
    - \$2.7 million more from federal funds based on anticipated amount of free vaccines provided by CDC's federal immunization program
    - \$1.7 million more from restricted receipt expenditures for child and adult immunizations based on vaccine purchasing projections

# Immunization Programs

- 2014 Assembly adopted legislation replaced assessments eff. Jan. 1, 2016
  - Based on a per person enrollment
  - Included state employees & employees of non-profit hospitals effective July 1, 2016
  - Rates can only be adjusted once annually
- FY 2021 - \$17.86 per mth./child and \$3.18 per mth./adult
- Annual excess:
  - Childhood immunization - \$1.5M to \$2.5M
  - Adult immunization - \$1.0M to \$1.5M

# Immunization Programs

Fiscal Year	Childhood Immunization	Ending Balance*	Adult Immunization	Ending Balance*
2021	\$17.86		\$3.18	
2020	\$17.86	\$9.2	\$3.18	\$8.1
2019	\$16.35	\$4.7	\$3.03	\$7.4
2018	\$12.11	\$4.2	\$2.68	\$3.7
2017	\$15.84	\$7.0	\$1.66	\$3.4
2016	\$20.59	\$6.2	\$3.69	\$6.0

*\*In millions*

- Balances are calculated in rate setting for following year

# Immunization Programs

FY 2020	Childhood Program	Adult Program	Total
Prior Balance	\$4.7	\$7.4	\$12.0
Assessments Received	20.1	20.1	40.2
10% Indirect Cost Recovery	(2.0)	(2.0)	(4.0)
<b>Available Resources</b>	<b>\$22.8</b>	<b>\$25.5</b>	<b>\$48.2</b>
Expenditures			
Vaccines	\$12.0	\$15.0	\$27.0
Operating Costs	1.5	2.3	3.8
<b>Total Expenditures</b>	<b>\$13.5</b>	<b>\$17.3</b>	<b>\$30.8</b>
<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$9.2</b>	<b>\$8.1</b>	<b>\$17.3</b>

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# Maternal, Infant, & Early Childhood Home Visiting

- Maternal, Infant, & Early Childhood Home Visiting Programs
  - First Connections
  - Healthy Families America (HFA)
  - Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP)
  - Parents As Teachers (PAT)
- Provide families with resources & services
  - Preventive health and prenatal practices
  - Promote positive parenting techniques



# Maternal, Infant, & Early Childhood Home Visiting

- 2021 Legislative Report
  - Visits conducted from Sept. 2019 – Oct. 2020
    - Virtual and in-person

	<b>HFA, PAT &amp; NFP</b>	<b>First Connections</b>	<b>Total</b>
Agencies	18	5	23
Family Visitors	111	19	130
Families Served	1,728	2,675	4,403
Visits	20,175	3,166	23,341

# Article 12 – Parents as Teachers

- Hearing held on April 14
- Article allows the state to establish Medicaid coverage & reimbursement rates for the Parents as Teachers program
- Program funded through federal grants
  - Governor includes \$1.4 million
    - Match to current state funding of \$0.6 million
    - There are 8 organizations that operate statewide

# Article 12 – Parents as Teachers

- Program is available to pregnant women and parents with children up to age 4
  - Some programs are up to age 5
  - Part of Family Home Visiting Program
  - Serves about 250 families

# Article 12 – First Connections

- Article allows the state to establish Medicaid coverage & reimbursement for the First Connections Program
  - Also part of the DOH's Family Home Visiting Program
- Program funded through federal grants
  - Governor includes \$0.2 million
    - \$0.1 million from general revenues
- There are 5 organizations operating statewide

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# Environmental Health

- Regulation, oversight of health services delivery
- Population-based activities related to environment, safe food and potable water
- Operates licensure and inspection programs to assure minimal standards are met with respect to food, water and radiation sources

# Blood Lead Poisoning Prev.

- Program provides:
  - State staff to investigate complaints and inquiries about lead poisoning
  - Arrange inspections when elevated blood lead levels are found
  - Make referrals for case management

# Blood Lead Poisoning Prev.

- Housing Resources Commission
  - DOH took responsibilities for enforcing lead mitigation & abatement through MOA
    - Commission allocated up to \$1.2M over 3 yrs.
    - Start up costs, database development and public outreach in DOH
  - Gov. Raimondo proposed centralizing lead poisoning activities under DOH in FY 2018
    - Assembly did not concur



# Food Protection Program

- Responsible for licensing and regulating more than 7,500 food establishments
  - “Farm to table” including restaurants, caterers, food markets, bakeries, food processors, dairy producers, bottlers, bottle beverage plants, and health care facilities
- Conducts inspections and investigates food related disease outbreaks and complaints

# Food Protection Program

- Dept. of Health analyzes water samples collected from shellfish growing areas
  - Reports results to DEM for decisions when to close shellfish harvesting areas
- In 2016 & 2017 RI was affected by closures of shellfishing areas in Narragansett Bay
- DEM & DOH developed contingency plan for additional testing capabilities
  - Protect public health and shellfish industry

# Article 10, Sec. 7 – Shellfish Dockside Program

- Hearing held April 1
- Article authorizes director of DOH to establish a dockside program
  - Excludes aquaculture processors
  - Program to be established through rules and regulations
    - Pursuant to National Shellfish Sanitation program Model Ordinance
    - Assure licensed marine shellfish processors are meeting sanitary standards
  - Includes authority for license fee

# Article 10, Sec. 7 – Shellfish Dockside Program

- Article dedicates fee revenues for program expenses
  - Fees deposited as general revenues
  - Budget assumes \$0.4 million
    - Support 3.0 new positions
      - 2.0 laboratory testing positions
      - 1.0 environmental health food specialist
    - Operating expenses
      - Laboratory testing & monitoring activities

# Drinking Water Program

- Responsible for enforcing provisions of Safe Drinking Water Act and state laws relating to safe drinking water
- Regulates nearly 500 public water systems

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# State Medical Examiners

- To achieve and maintain national standards:
  - Investigate and determine manner and circumstance of death
  - Certify the cause of death in unnatural cases, sudden and unexpected deaths and deaths which are otherwise unexplained
  - Continue education and research program

# State Medical Examiners

- Governor includes \$3.4 million from fed. funds new Medical Examiners Facility
  - \$2.5 million to purchase 20,280 square ft. building in Cumberland
    - Building was purchased in November 2020
    - Some personnel moved in December
    - Phase I - additional decedent capacity to address COVID-19 surge
  - \$0.9 million for vehicles and equipment
- Phase II - \$5.0M from RICAP funds budgeted in DOA



# Health Laboratories Program

- Provides laboratory services to state and municipal agencies, health care providers and individuals
  - Testing for contagious diseases
  - Analysis of food products, drinking water, wastewater and air for contaminants
  - Public health emergencies
  - Training police officers to administer breath-testing & certification of those instruments
  - Forensics

# Health Laboratory

- Chapin facility (70,000 sq. ft.) built in 1976
  - Office of State Medical Examiners
  - Health laboratories
    - Chemical, physical & microbiologic analyses of environmental samples, clinical specimens, & forensic evidence
- 2014 study identified 5 possible new sites
  - 2 in the Pastore Center
  - 2 in Providence
  - Renovation of Chapin Building

# Health Lab – Prior Requests

5 Year Plan	Square Footage	Cost
FY 2009 –13	Feasibility only	\$0.2
FY 2010 –14	Not Specified	\$65.0
FY 2011 –15	Not Specified - Study \$ in DOA	\$100.3
FY 2012 – 16	110,000	\$100.3
FY 2013 – 17	Not Specified	\$80.2
FY 2014 –18	Not Specified	\$80.2
FY 2016 – 20	95,000	\$78.0
FY 2017 –21	95,000	\$78.0
FY 2018 – 22	95,000	\$78.0
FY 2019 – 23	93,000	\$111.0
FY 2021 – 25	95,000	\$111.0

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# Health Laboratory Building

- July 2020, Gov. Raimondo proposed
  - \$107.0 million on ballot for new health laboratories & facilities
    - Total project cost of \$112.0 million
      - Assumed use of \$5.0 million from a CDC Grant
        - Use was ultimately not approved
  - For enhanced public health services
    - Testing, monitoring, & investigations
    - Support healthcare/hospital systems
  - Did not specify location

# Health Laboratory Building

- Department's FY 2022 capital budget request includes \$112.0 million from new G.O. bonds
  - To construct 100,000 sq. ft. facility to house health laboratories
- Not recommended by Governor
- Project requested by Department in various forms for more than a decade

# Health Laboratory Building

- April 14, issued Request for Quote for new health laboratory building
- 3 conceptual locations are identified
  - On state-owned land
    - Pastore Center
    - Downtown (Richmond Street & Clifford Street)
    - Rhode Island College Campus
- Vendor to identify two other locations
- Proposals are due April 29

# Capital – Lab. Medical Equipment Replacement

- Governor recommends \$2.8 million from RI Capital Plan funds
  - Consistent with approved plan and adds funding for FY 2026
  - To replace medical equipment
    - Process DNA samples
    - Conduct analysis of metals in water & food
    - Some equipment are more than 15 years old
    - 10-12 years is useful life

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# Customer Services

- Division includes:
  - Professional Licensing Boards & Commissions
  - Vital Records
  - Health Facilities Regulation
  - Medical Marijuana
- License, investigate and discipline when appropriate health care professionals and facilities

# Vital Records Program

- Responsible for statewide vital records system involving
  - Births
  - Marriages
  - Deaths and fetal deaths
  - Provides services to the public
    - Certified copies of vital records, corrections/authorization to a vital record
    - Hospital voluntary affidavit of paternities

# Vital Records Program

- 2018 Assembly provided \$0.3 million to set up satellite office at DMV in Cranston
  - Implementation of federal Real ID requirements
    - Obtain records onsite
  - Opened in December 2018
- Department notes not a lot of records are being issued at DMV
- Recommended budget includes savings from closing

# Health Professional

- Center for Professional Boards and Licensing in Department of Health
  - Licenses, certifies and disciplines healthcare professionals
  - Investigates complaints
  - Identifies professional standards to ensure highest quality health care for and protection of the public

# Health Professional

- Department of Health has 110K health professional licenses issued

Profession	Licenses	%of total
Nursing	31,194	28.4%
Nursing Assistant	17,270	15.7%
Physicians	11,679	10.6%
Cosmetology/Barbering	11,365	10.3%
EMS Personnel	6,500	5.9%
Pharmacy	5,971	5.4%
Other	26,021	23.7%
<b>Total</b>	<b>110,000</b>	<b>100%</b>

# Article 15, Sec. 1-7 – Interstate Medical Licensing

- Article requires RI join several interstate compacts - Hearing held April 15
  - Affected professions and license volume

<b>Article 15</b>	<b>Professions</b>	<b>Licenses</b>
Sec. 1	Physicians	11,679
Sec. 2-4	Nurses	31,194
Sec. 5	Psychologists	1,044
Sec. 6	Physical Therapists	2,339
Sec. 7	EMS Personnel	6,500
	<b>Total</b>	<b>52,756</b>

# Article 15, Sec. 1-7 – Interstate Medical Licensure

- Compact agreements
  - Health care professionals can practice in other compact member states
    - Streamlined process
  - Strengthen access to health care
  - Increase job employment opportunities
  - Coordinated licensure information system
- States opt in by adopting legislation
  - Required to repeal legislation to withdraw

# Department of Health

Change to Enacted	FY 2022 Governor	
	Gen. Rev.	All Funds
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Central Management	0.5	3.3
Community Health & Equity	0.8	5.3
Environmental Health	3.2	0.4
Health Lab & Medical Examiners	0.4	(4.4)
Customer Services	1.5	2.5
<b>Policy, Info. &amp; Communications</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.2</b>
PRIDEms	0.4	12.7
<b>Total Changes</b>	<b>\$(79.7)</b>	<b>\$(214.2)</b>

\$ in millions



# Policy, Information and Communications

- Division includes:
  - Public Health Communications
  - Health Data and Analysis
  - Public Health Information
  - Health Systems Policy and Regulation
  - Legislative and Regulatory Affairs
  - Office of the Associate Director
    - Provides policy direction and operational oversight and coordination

# Article 6, Sec. 4 – Requests for Public Health Data Fees

- Authorizes DOH director to charge fees for processing special data requests
  - Used to monitor health status and trends
- Fees established through rules & regulations
  - Exempts
    - RI state agencies
  - Gives Director discretion to waive fees
    - Requesters will be notified in advance

# Article 6, Sec. 4 – Requests for Public Health Data Fees

- Department does not charge a fee
  - Except for hospital discharge data
    - Charges \$100 for each yr. of data requested
- Receives approx. 700 requests annually
  - Costs \$200K to provide requested data
- Budget assumes revenues of \$0.4 million
- Legislation requires “approximately” 50% of revenues be appropriated
  - Manage and maintain data systems

# Preparedness, Response, Inf. Disease & Emergency Serv.

- Division responsibilities
  - Report on incidence of infectious diseases
  - Public & health professional education
  - Surveillance & prevention of key diseases
  - Control of disease outbreaks
  - Targeted prevention strategies for at risk groups
  - Administer and manage state info. for National Disease Surveillance System

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# Preparedness, Response, Inf. Disease & Emergency Services

- Include following programs:
  - Center for Emergency Preparedness and Response
    - Ebola Response
    - Zika
  - Emergency Medical Services
  - Infectious Disease
    - HIV/AIDS
    - Tuberculosis

# Center for Emergency Preparedness and Response

- Federal bioterrorism funds to operate Center for Emergency Preparedness & Response
  - Help hospitals and healthcare entities plan for, respond to, and recover from mass casualty events
  - Grants to enhance emergency response preparedness
- Governor recommends \$6.2 million for FY 2021 and \$6.1 million for FY 2022

# Department of Health

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