

FY 2017-18 Legislative Requests for Information

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Department of Human Services			
1	1	<p>Department of Human Services, Division of Youth Corrections, Institutional Programs – The Department is requested to submit a report by November 1, 2017, that includes the following monthly data for each State-owned and operated facility for FY 2016-17:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Number of assaults by type (e.g. juvenile on staff, staff on juvenile, juvenile on juvenile); • The number and type of sexual assaults; • Number of homicides; • Number of suicides; • Number of youth in a facility that have charges filed against them district court; • Number of new crimes reported to local police; • Number of direct care staff at each facility (CYSO I and II); • Ratio of direct care staff (CYSO I and II) to youth; • Direct care staffing vacancies by type (e.g. CYSO I); • Average length of service for direct care staff (CYSO I and II.); • Number of hours of missed work by all direct care facility staff and reason for absence (e.g. injury on the job, sick leave, planned absence, unplanned absence, vacation); • Amount of overtime hours worked by direct care staff and purpose (e.g. covering a shift for an absent co-worker) at each facility; • Amount of temporary help hours used for direct care purposes; • The number and type of worker's compensation injuries that occurred; • Amount of time missed by employees due to work-place injuries; and • Use of seclusion and restraints. 	Submitted
2	2	<p>Department of Human Services, Totals – The Department is requested to submit a report concerning the status of federal Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) funds. The requested report should include the following: (a) an analysis of the TANF Long Term Reserve, including estimated TANF funds available for appropriation, estimated TANF appropriations by Long Bill line item, and the estimated closing Long Term Reserve balance, for the most recent actual fiscal year, the current fiscal year, and the request fiscal year; (b) an analysis of the TANF maintenance of effort (MOE) payments, showing the actual and forecasted MOE expenditures, by program, for the most recent actual fiscal year, the current fiscal year, and the request fiscal year; and (c) an analysis of the counties' TANF reserve balances that includes, for each county, for the most recent actual fiscal year, the starting TANF Reserve Account balances for the Works Program, Title XX, and Child Care Development Fund accounts, the annual TANF allocation, the total expenditures, the net transfers to child care and child welfare, any amounts remitted to the state, and the closing reserve balance for all county TANF accounts. The report should be provided to the Joint Budget Committee annually on or before November 1. An update to this information reflecting data at the close of the federal fiscal year should be provided to the Joint Budget Committee annually on or before January 1.</p>	Submitted, Final due to JBC 01/01/18
3	3	<p>Department of Human Services, Adult Assistance Programs, Community Services for the Elderly – The Department is requested to submit a report by November 1 of each year on Older Americans Act Funds received and anticipated to be received, and the match requirements for these funds. The report should also specify the amount of funds, if any, that were transferred between the State Funding for Senior Services line item and the Older Americans Act Programs line item in the prior actual fiscal year to comply with federal match requirements.</p>	Submitted
4	4	<p>Department of Human Services, Division of Youth Corrections, Administration – The Division is requested to continue its efforts to provide outcome data on the effectiveness of its programs. The Division is requested to provide to the Joint Budget Committee, by January 1 of each year, a report evaluating Division placements, community placements, and nonresidential placements. The evaluation should include, but not be limited to, the number of juveniles served, length of stay, and recidivism data per placement.</p>	Submitted
5	5	<p>Department of Human Services, Division of Youth Corrections, Community Programs, S.B. 91-094 Programs – The Department is requested to submit to the Joint Budget Committee no later than November 1 of each year a report that includes the following information by judicial district and for the state as a whole: (1) comparisons of trends in detention and commitment incarceration rates; (2) profiles of youth served by S.B. 91-094; (3) progress in achieving the performance goals established by each judicial district; (4) the level of local funding for alternatives to detention; and (5) identification and discussion of potential policy issues with the types of youth incarcerated, length of stay, and available alternatives to incarceration.</p>	Submitted
6	6	<p>Department of Human Services, Adult Assistance Programs, Adult Protective Services – The Office is requested to provide information to the Joint Budget Committee by November 1, 2017, concerning the trends and issues identified by the Administrative Review Division staff added for FY 2017-18 to review county adult protective services cases. Please also include strategies that the Department is implementing to assist counties in correcting issues found by the Administrative Review Division and how those strategies are being implemented by counties.</p>	Submitted
7	7	<p>Department of Human Services, Division of Child Welfare – The Department is requested to provide to the Joint Budget Committee, by November 1, 2017, information on county child welfare worker staffing, including county data on: (1) caseload ratios by county; (2) actual staffing levels; (3) new hires funded by the child welfare block grant; (4) new hires funded through county level child welfare staffing funding; (5) workload and funding allocation comparisons by county for each type of block allocation.</p>	Submitted
8	8	<p>Department of Human Services, Division of Child Welfare, Child Welfare Services – The Department is requested to provide to the Joint Budget Committee, by November 1 of each year, information concerning the actual use of funds distributed through the child welfare allocation model, including data on expenses and children served by funding category. At a minimum, such data should include the following: (a) program services expenditures, including the cost of services delivered through county staff and the cost of services delivered through contract providers; and the average cost per open involvement per year; (b) out-of-home placement care expenditures and the average cost per child per day; and (c) subsidized adoption expenditures and the average payment per child per day.</p>	Submitted

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9	9	Department of Human Services, Services for People with Disabilities, Regional Centers for People with Developmental Disabilities -- The Department is requested to provide by November 1, 2017 information regarding transitions and readmissions to the Regional Centers for each of the past eighteen months. As part of the response, the Department should include: the number of individuals that have been transitioned from each Regional Center and the setting to which they were transitioned for each month, how many of these individuals have been readmitted to a Regional Center and when, the number of monthly admissions to each Regional Center, the definition of a successful transition, and the monthly number of successful transitions.	Submitted
10	10	Department of Human Services, Division of Child Welfare -- The Department is requested to provide to the Joint Budget Committee, by November 1 of each year, information concerning the gross amount of payments to child welfare service providers, including amounts that were paid using revenues other than county, state, or federal tax revenues. The Department is requested to identify amounts, by source, for the last two actual fiscal years.	Submitted
11	11	Department of Human Services -- All Division -- The Department is requested to provide by February 1, 2018 the actual cash fund collects by cash fund and division, the associated cash fund rates, and the FY 2018-19 cash fund rates that would be required to collect sufficient indirect cost assessments from cash fund sources and reappropriated funds from cash fund sources so the General Fund percentage of indirect costs aligns with the FY 2018-19 General Fund percentage of the Department's request.	Due to JBC 02/01/18
12	12	Department of Human Services, All Programs -- The Department is requested to provide, by November 1, 2017, a list of each of the transfers made in FY 2016-17 pursuant to Section 24-75-106, C.R.S. Included in the list should be the following information for each transfer where the funds originated from, where the funds were transferred to, the amount of the transfer, and the purpose of the transfer.	Submitted
13	13	Department of Human Services, Division of Child Welfare -- The Department is requested to provide by November 1, 2017, a list of each transfer made in FY 2016-17 pursuant to Long Bill Footnote 39. This information should include: the line item in which the funds originated, the line item to which the funds were transferred, the amount of each transfer, the fund split for each transfer, and the purpose of the transfer.	Submitted
14	14	Department of Human Services, Services for People with Disabilities, Regional Centers for People with Developmental Disabilities -- The Department is requested to provide by January 15, 2017-2018, the monthly census for each Regional Center by licensure type since the beginning of the fiscal year, and annual cost per capita for each Regional Center by licensure type, including the Regional Center costs for utilities, depreciation, indirect costs, and centrally appropriated personnel items.	Due to JBC 01/15/18
15	15	Department of Human Services, Division of Child Welfare, Hotline for Child Abuse and Neglect -- The Department is requested to provide to the Joint Budget Committee, by November 1 of each fiscal year, a report containing fiscal year comparisons of appropriate workload indicators for the child abuse and neglect hotline reporting system.	Submitted
16	16	Department of Human Services, Division of Child Welfare and Totals -- The Department is requested to provide a report to the Joint Budget Committee by October 1 of each fiscal year concerning the amount of federal revenues earned by the State for the previous fiscal year pursuant to Title IV-E of the Social Security Act, as amended, the amount of money that was expended for the previous state fiscal year, including information concerning the purposes of the expenditures, and the amount of money that was credited to the Excess Federal Title IV-E Reimbursements Cash Fund created in Section 26-1-111 (2) (d) (i) (C), C.R.S.	Submitted
17	17	Department of Human Services, Totals -- The Department is requested to submit annually, on or before November 1, a report to the Joint Budget Committee concerning federal Child Care Development Funds. The requested report should include the following information related to these funds for the actual, estimate, and request years: (a) the total amount of federal funds available and anticipated to be available to Colorado, including funds rolled forward from previous state fiscal years, (b) the amount of federal funds expended, estimated, or requested to be expended for these years by Long Bill line item; (c) the amount of funds expended, estimated, or requested to be expended for these years, by Long Bill line item where applicable, to be reported to the federal government as either maintenance of effort or matching funds associated with the expenditure of federal funds; and (d) the amount of funds expended, estimated, or requested to be expended for these years that are to be used to meet the four percent federal requirement related to quality activities and the federal requirement related to targeted funds. An update to the information on the amount of federal funds anticipated to be available and requested to be expended by Long Bill line item should be provided to the Joint Budget Committee annually on or before January 15.	Submitted; Final due to JBC 01/15/18
Requests Affecting Multiple Departments			
1	Multi 1	Department of Corrections, Department of Human Services, Judicial Department, Department of Public Safety, and Department of Transportation -- State agencies involved in multi-agency programs requiring separate appropriations to each agency are requested to designate one lead agency to be responsible for submitting a comprehensive annual budget request for such programs to the Joint Budget Committee, including prior year, request year, and three year forecasts for revenues into the fund and expenditures from the fund by agency. The requests should be sustainable for the length of the forecast based on anticipated revenues. Each agency is still requested to submit its portion of such request with its own budget document. This applies to requests for appropriation from: the Alcohol and Drug Driving Safety Program Fund, the Law Enforcement Assistance Fund, the Offender Identification Fund, the Persistent Drunk Driver Cash Fund, and the Sex Offender Surcharge Fund, among other programs.	Submitted
4	Multi 4	Department of Health Care Policy and Financing, Medical Services Premiums, Indigent Care Program, Children's Basic Health Plan Medical and Dental Costs; Department of Higher Education, Colorado Commission on Higher Education, Special Purpose, University of Colorado, Lease Purchase of Academic Facilities at Fitzsimons, Governing Boards, Regents of the University of Colorado; Department of Human Services, Division of Child Welfare, Tony Grampas Youth Services Program; Office of Early Childhood, Division of Community and Family Support, Nurse Home Visitor Program; Department of Military and Veterans Affairs, Division of Veterans Affairs, Colorado State Veterans Trust Fund Expenditures; Department of Personnel, Division of Human Resources, Employee Benefits Services, H.B. 07-1335 Supplemental State Contribution Fund; Department of Public Health and Environment, Disease Control and Environmental Epidemiology Division, Administration, General Disease Control, and Surveillance, Immunization Operating Expenses; Special Purpose Disease Control Programs, Sexually Transmitted Infections, HIV and AIDS Operating Expenses, and Ryan White Act Operating Expenses, Prevention Services Division, Chronic Disease Prevention Programs, Oral Health Programs; Primary Care Office -- Each Department is requested to provide the following information to the Joint Budget Committee by November 1, 2017, for each program funded with Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement money: the name of the program, the amount of Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement money received and expended by the program for the preceding fiscal year, a description of the program including the actual number of persons served and the services provided through the program, information evaluating the operation of the program, including the effectiveness of the program in achieving its stated goals.	Submitted

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5	Multi 5	<p>Department of Health Care Policy and Financing, Office of Community Living, Department of Human Services, Services for People with Disabilities, Regional Centers – The Departments are requested to submit a report by November 1, 2017 a report on the status of transitions into and out of Regional Centers. The report should include information on how the Departments are defining transitions as successful or not successful, the capacity of the community to serve individuals who are or have transitioned, and the type of residences and locations where individuals are transitioning into. The report should also include a comparison of the services available in the Regional Centers and the services available to individuals once they transition and what barriers exist in ensuring the availability of services for individuals once they transition. a. Regarding the transition planning phase the report should discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. What role do residents and their families play in preparing for a transition and how long does it take to transition an individual once a decision has been made? ii. What is done when a resident wishes to transition, but no appropriate community placement can be found? iii. What is the longest period of time someone has spent waiting to transition? <p>b. Regarding the transition process the report should discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. How does the process of transitioning into a Regional Center differ from the process of transitioning from a Regional Center to a community setting? ii. What is the process for transitioning from one Regional Center to another Regional Center? iii. Describe the resources available (i.e. people and money) to plan and prepare for transitions. Are these resources sufficient to ensure successful transitions? iv. Has the success rate on transitions varied by type of setting? For example, have Regional Center residents been more successful moving to host homes or group homes? <p>c. Regarding measuring whether a transition was successful or unsuccessful the report should discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. What role do residents and their families play in determining whether a transition has been successful? ii. For those transitions that were unsuccessful, how long did it take to move the resident to a new placement? Please provide data on the length of time people lived in unsuccessful placements. iii. What is the process for returning to a Regional Center in the event of an unsuccessful transition? iv. What role do residents and families play in that decision? v. Over what time period is information collected about a transition? vi. How many times did people change placements over a two or five year period? vii. What is an appropriate length of time to determine if a transition has been successful? viii. Do the Departments track success/failure rates for providers accepting transitions from Regional Centers? 	Submitted
Governor Letter Dated May 10, 2017	Multi 6	<p>Department of Education, School for the Deaf and Blind, Department of Education, Assistance to Public Schools, Categorical Programs, District Programs Required by Statute, Special Education Programs for Children with Disabilities, and Department of Human Services, Executive Directors Office, Special Purpose, Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing – The Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing is requested to provide, by November 1, 2017 a report about the availability of resources for children who are deaf and hard of hearing. The Committee requests the report include the following information: what resources are currently available, what gaps in services exist, what are possible solutions to eliminate those gaps, the cost of the solutions and possible funding sources. The Committee requests the Commission work with the Department of Education and the School for the Deaf and Blind in developing responses to the Committee's questions.</p>	Submitted
HCPF 4	Multi HCPF 4	<p>Department of Health Care Policy and Financing, Office of Community Living, Department of Human Services, Services for People with Disabilities, Regional Centers, and Department of Public Health and Environment, Health Facilities and Emergency Medical Services Division, Health Facilities Division – The Departments are requested to provide by November 1, 2017 the status of the implementation of Regional Center Task Force recommendations.</p>	Submitted