
BUDGET UNIT BRIEF – FY 2018

Fiscal Services Division

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Department of Human Services — General Administration

History and Purpose

The General Administration appropriation to the Department of Human Services (DHS) provides funding for the administrative support and management staff. The General Administration team is responsible for the oversight of the budget and program compliance and integrity for all State and federally funded programs administered by the Department.

In addition to the Director's Office, the General Administration appropriation includes the staff of the following Divisions:

- Iowa Medicaid Enterprise
- Mental Health and Disability Services
- Adult, Children, and Family Services
- Field Operations – Child Support Recovery Unit
- Data Management
- Fiscal Management
- Policy Coordination

The primary responsibilities for staff include the design or update of programs and service requirements to comply with State and federal law; implementation of services through DHS staff in the field, nine State facilities, or service providers; and oversight of the budgets for multiple federal and State programs and appropriations. The current staff of 282 employees provides leadership, management, and support for the delivery of human services to more than 1,002,587 individuals.

Overall Budget

The total General Administration budget for estimated FY 2018 is \$48.1 million, which is 0.9% of the total Department of Human Services budget.

State General Fund

An annual appropriation for General Administration is provided in the Health and Human Services Appropriations Act. Over the past five years, this appropriation has averaged \$16.0 million, and the State General Fund provides 33.0% of the total budget.

Federal Funds

Federal funds are received through a number of sources, including the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) Match Rate, Title IV-B, Social Services Block Grant, and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF). Federal funds currently represent 63.0% (\$30.1 million) of the total budget for General Administration.

More Information

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Related Statutes and Administrative Rules

Iowa Code chapter [217](#)

Iowa Administrative Code [441](#)