

Legislative Coalition for People with Disabilities
HEALTH COMMITTEE
FACT SHEET

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NEED	DESCRIPTION
<p>Mandatory Utilization/Caseload Growth</p> <p>\$8,548,300</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clients are using more services. • Additional clients.
<p>Mandatory Medicaid Inflation (5% increase)</p> <p>\$15,642,800</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased reimbursement for core providers who provide the majority of services (pharmacy, nursing homes, hospitals, physicians, dentists, Medicare Part B Premiums). • Healthcare providers are reluctant to see new Medicaid clients. • Low provider rates are making it difficult for clients to access care.
<p>Adult Dental Services (Aged, Blind, and Disabled)</p> <p>\$2,435,900</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dental services for the aged, blind and disabled were funded for FY07 through a one-time charitable donation. • Dental care is vital for good health, nutritional status, ability to work, and productivity. • Poor oral health can result in expensive emergency room visits and hospitalization. • Dental care is sound fiscal policy.
<p>Adult Vision Services</p> <p>\$250,400</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Many people need prescription eyeglasses to correct vision problems. • Poor eyesight affects a person's ability to do everyday tasks. • Medicaid clients are unable to afford prescription eyeglasses.

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Provider Reimbursement \$655,200	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Many healthcare providers have not had a rate increase in years (home health care, ambulance, speech, physical, occupational therapies)• These services allow an individual to remain at home instead of being institutionalized
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