

## PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

**Department: Social Services**

**HB Section(s): 11.730**

**Program Name: Home Health**

**Program is found in the following core budget(s): Home Health**

### 1a. What strategic priority does this program address?

Access to in-home services and reduce cost of care.

### 1b. What does this program do?

Home health services are medically-oriented treatments or intermittent supervision for individuals with an acute illness which can be therapeutically managed at home. Home health care follows a written plan of treatment reviewed every 60 days by an authorized ordering practitioner. Home health services include skilled nursing, home health aide, medical supplies, and physical, occupational and speech therapies. Only participants who are eligible under aid categories for children, pregnant women, or blind individuals are eligible for physical, occupational and speech therapies provided through home health. Therapy is limited and must be reasonable and necessary for restoration to an optimal level of functioning following an injury or illness.

### Rate History

7/1/22: ~57.5% rate increase to a cap rate of \$125.19.

7/1/19: ~1.5% rate increase to a cap rate of \$79.49.

7/1/18: ~1.5% rate increase to a cap rate of \$78.32.

7/1/17: 3% rate decrease to a cap rate of \$77.16.

7/1/16: ~2% rate increase to a cap rate of \$79.47

1/1/16: 1% rate increase funded with Tax Amnesty Fund to a cap rate of \$77.90

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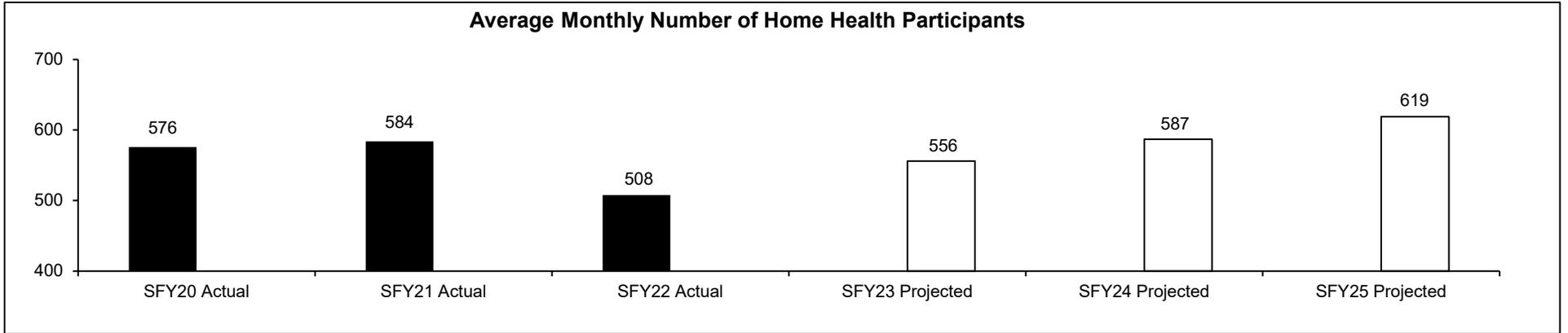
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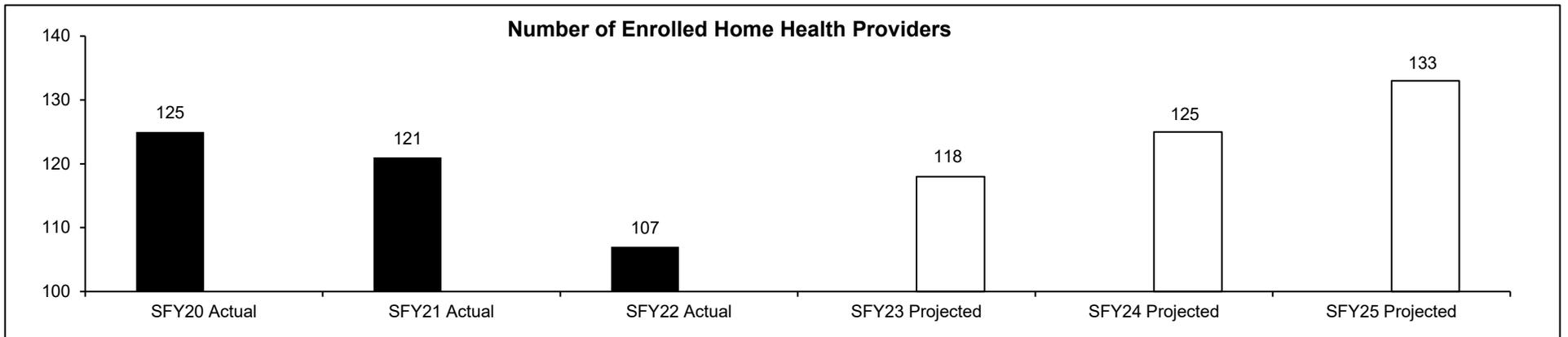
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**2a. Provide an activity measure(s) for the program.**



**2b. Provide a measure(s) of the program's quality.**

The number of enrolled providers is correlated to participant access to services, choices participants have in their service providers, and healthcare options. Providers may be influenced to enroll or continue as a MHD provider by factors such as a reasonable fee schedule, clear and easy to understand policies and forms, and having provider support in place. The trend since SFY20 shows a decrease in enrolled providers, likely due to low reimbursement rates. However, providers received a substantial rate increase in SFY23, and provider enrollment is expected to increase as a result.



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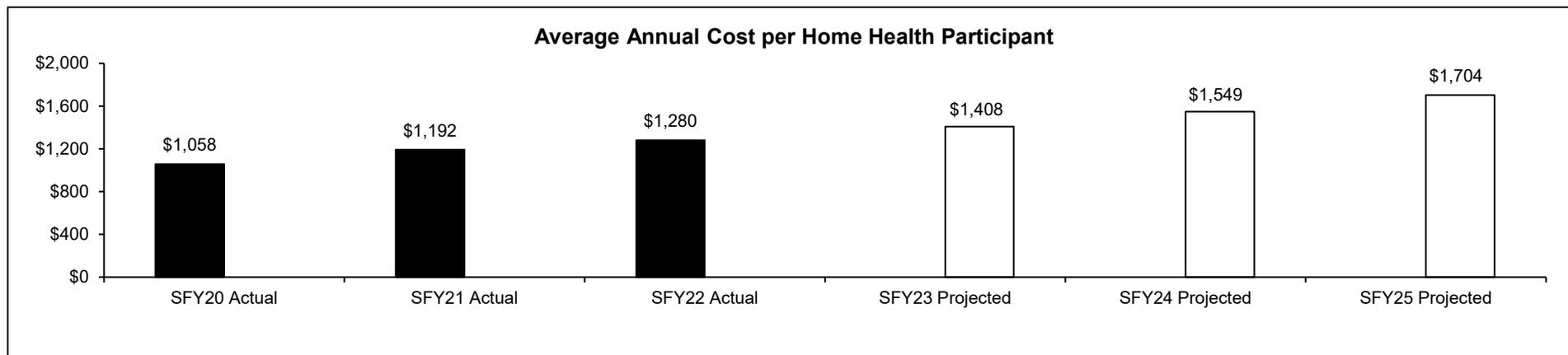
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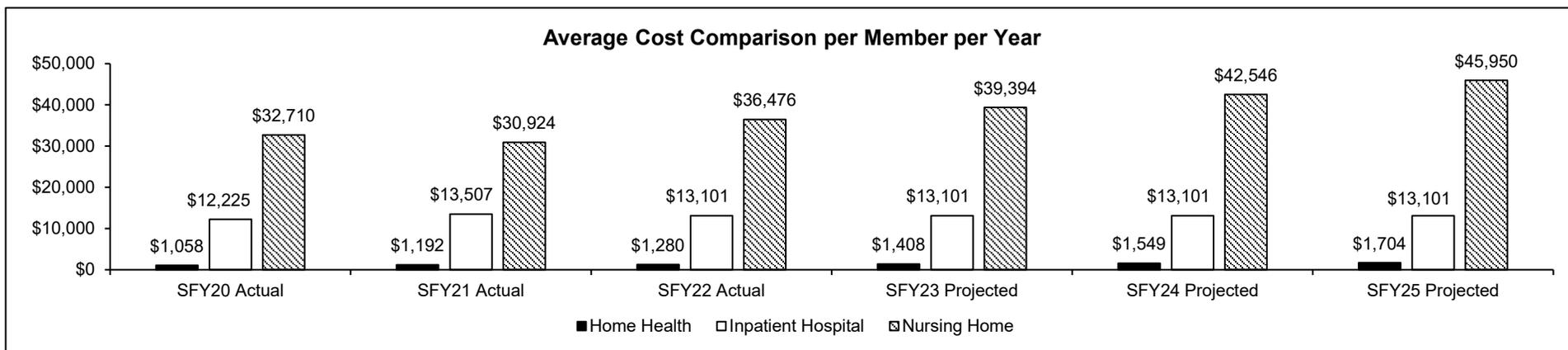
### 2c. Provide a measure(s) of the program's impact.

Based on program activity and participants served, the graph below shows that, in SFY22, the program's average cost was \$1,280 per participant.



### 2d. Provide a measure(s) of the program's efficiency.

If a participant is able to manage acute illness successfully in the home with Home Health services, the cost of Inpatient Hospital and/or Nursing Home services will be averted.



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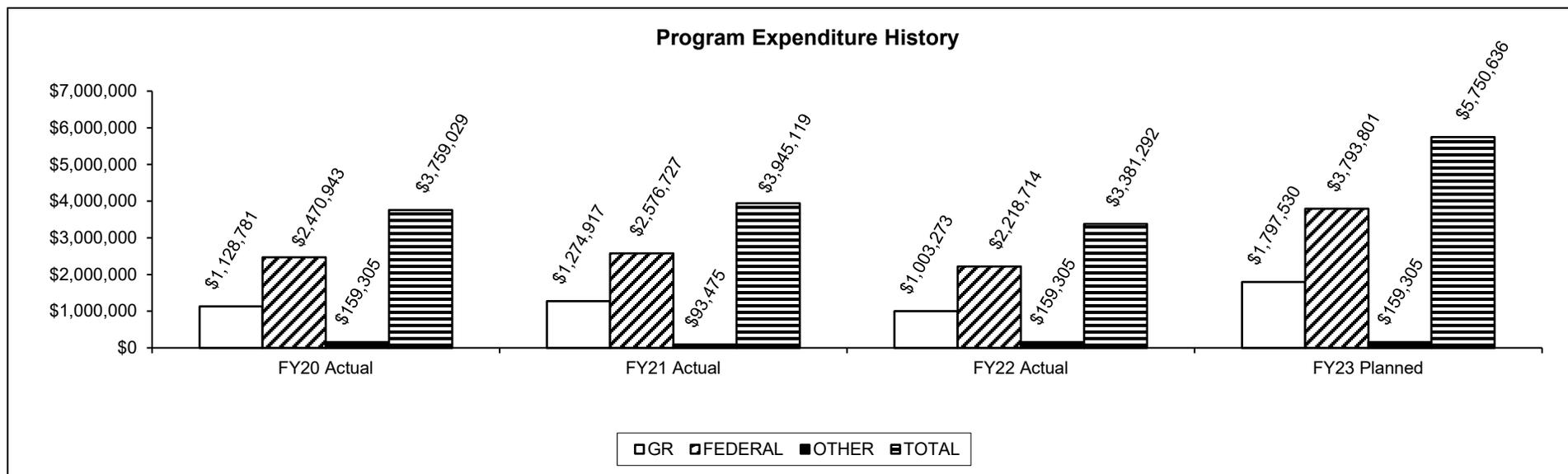
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**3. Provide actual expenditures for the prior three fiscal years and planned expenditures for the current fiscal year. (Note: Amounts do not include fringe benefit costs.)**



**4. What are the sources of the "Other " funds?**

Health Initiatives Fund (0275)

**5. What is the authorization for this program, i.e., federal or state statute, etc.? (Include the federal program number, if applicable.)**

State statute: Section 208.152 RSMo.

Federal Regulations: 42 CFR 440.70 and 440.210.

Social Security Act Sections: 1905(a)(7).

**6. Are there federal matching requirements? If yes, please explain.**

The FMAP (Federal Medical Assistance Percentage) fluctuates annually based on state and national economic and population data, but generally the state matching requirement is around 35% and the federal match is around 65%.

**7. Is this a federally mandated program? If yes, please explain.**

Home Health is a mandatory Medicaid program.