PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Department: Social Services HB Section(s): 11.735

Program Name: Nursing Facility Reimbursement Allowance (NFRA) Payments

Program is found in the following core budget(s): Nursing Facility Reimbursement Allowance (NFRA)

1a. What strategic priority does this program address?

Enhanced reimbursement to nursing facilities caring for MO HealthNet participants

1b. What does this program do?

The Nursing Facility Reimbursement Allowance (NFRA) program assesses nursing facilities a fee for the privilege of doing business in the state of Missouri. The assessment is a general revenue equivalent, and when used to make valid Medicaid payments, earns federal Medicaid matching funds. The assessment collected from the nursing facilities and the federal earnings fund is used to provide enhanced payment rates for the nursing facility program. The NFRA program was implemented in SFY 1995 as part of a total restructuring of reimbursement for nursing facilities and is used to provide enhanced reimbursement rates that target quality patient care. For additional details on the nursing facility reimbursement methodology, see the program description in the Nursing Facilities tab.

The NFRA program has been reauthorized through September 30, 2021.

The NFRA is assessed to all nursing facilities on a per patient day basis (i.e., the number of days that licensed nursing facility beds are occupied by patients). The current NFRA rate per day is multiplied by the annualized level of patient days to determine the annual assessment owed by a nursing facility which MHD collects on a monthly basis throughout the year. MHD recalculates the assessment at the beginning of each state fiscal year using updated patient days and an updated NFRA rate, if applicable. The patient days are updated each state fiscal year using the Quarterly Certification of Need (CON) Survey from the Department of Health and Senior Services.

SFY	Assessment Rate
2019-2021	\$12.93
2016-2018	\$13.40
2013-2015	\$12.11
2012	\$11.70
2011	\$9.27
2010	\$9.07

This program is exempt from performance measures as it is an accounting mechanism.

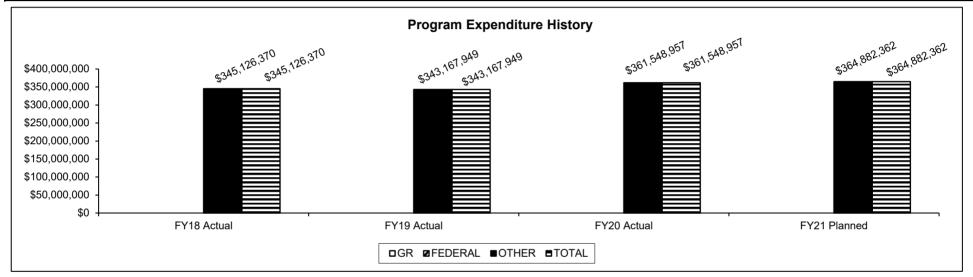
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3. Provide actual expenditures for the prior three fiscal years and planned expenditures for the current fiscal year. (Note: Amounts do not include fringe benefit costs.)



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

Nursing Facility Reimbursement Allowance Fund (0196)

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

Federal Law: Social Security Act, Section 1903(w). Federal Reg: 42 CFR 443 433, Subpart B. State Statute: Section 198.401, RSMo.

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.

No.