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# VIRGINIA STATE BUDGET

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2001 Special Session I

## Budget Bill - HB3 (Introduced)

Bill Order » Office of Health and Human Resources » Item 305

Department of Health

Item 305	First Year - FY2001	Second Year - FY2002
<b>Health Research, Planning, and Coordination (40600)</b>	<b>\$2,661,496</b>	<b>\$2,662,209</b>
Physical Health Research, Planning, and Coordination (40603)	\$1,602,485	\$1,602,776
Health Resources Development (40605)	\$1,059,011	\$1,059,433
Fund Sources:		
General	\$1,598,308	\$1,598,525
Special	\$858,951	\$859,371
Federal Trust	\$204,237	\$204,313

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Authority: §§ [32.1-102.1](#) through [32.1-102.12](#) and [32.1-122.01](#) through [32.1-122.08](#), Code of Virginia; and P.L. 96-79, as amended, Federal Code.

A. This appropriation includes \$755,687 the first year and \$755,687 the second year from the general fund for the health planning fund in accordance with § [32.1-122.06](#), Code of Virginia.

B. Supplemental funding for the regional health planning agencies shall be provided from the following sources:

1. Special funds from Certificate of Public Need application fees in excess of those required to operate the Office of Health Resources Development, provided the Office may retain special fund balances each year not in excess of one month's operational needs in case of revenue shortfalls in the subsequent year.

2. General fund appropriations in this Item unexpended at the end of each year of the biennium shall be reappropriated for expenditure by the regional health planning agencies in the succeeding fiscal year.

3. ~~All expenditures made by the regional health planning agencies which are supported from balances specified in B-1 and B-2 shall be audited annually by the Auditor of Public Accounts.~~ *The Department of Health, in conjunction with the Auditor of Public Accounts, shall develop memoranda of agreement with the regional health planning agencies by which they may expend funds from this appropriation. These agreements shall include provisions for auditing the compliance of the health planning agencies with the terms contained in the memoranda of agreement. Memoranda of agreement shall be executed on or before July 1, 2001, and annually thereafter, with each regional health planning agency to include these provisions. In the event agreements are not executed on or before July 1, the agreement in effect on June 30 of the preceding fiscal year shall remain in effect until the new agreement is duly executed.*

C. Failure of any regional health planning agency to establish or sustain business operations shall cause funds to revert to the Central Office to support health planning and Certificate of Public Need functions.

D. The Commissioner of Health shall continue implementation of the "Five-Year Action Plan: Improving Access to

Primary Health Care Services in Medically Underserved Areas and Populations of the Commonwealth." A minimum of \$150,000 the first year and \$150,000 the second year from the general fund shall be provided to the Virginia Office of Rural Health, as the state match for the federal Office of Rural Health Policy Grant. The Commissioner is authorized to contract for services to accomplish the plan.

E. The Department shall report on the efficacy of the statewide provider database that was to be established as part of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation "Practice Sights" grant. The Department's report shall (i) identify the reasons for not having completed the development of the system during the "Practice Sights" grant period; (ii) identify what additional actions and resources are needed to complete the development of the provider database; and (iii) establish a timeframe for completing and implementing the database. The Department shall complete its review and report its findings and recommendations to the Chairmen of the Senate Finance and House Appropriations Committees, and the Joint Commission on Health Care, by September 15, 2000.

*F.1. It is the intent of the General Assembly to implement and cause to be implemented a three-phase plan to deregulate certain medical care facilities' certificate of public need services adopted by the Joint Commission on Health Care and published in December 2000.*

*2. The Commissioner of Health, in cooperation with the Directors of the Department of Medical Assistance Services and the Department of Planning and Budget, shall prepare the necessary rules, regulations, and budget amendments to fully fund and implement phase one of the deregulation plan referenced above, and submit them to the Governor no later than September 15, 2001, for inclusion in the agencies' 2002-2004 Executive Budget.*