2014 Special Session I

Budget Bill - HB5010 (Chapter 3)

Item 308	First Year - FY2015	Second Year - FY2016
Financial Assistance for Health Services (44500)	**$349,012,156**	**$368,849,536**
Community Substance Abuse Services (44501)	$96,277,019	$96,277,019
Community Mental Health Services (44506)	$204,606,666	$214,294,046
Community Developmental Disability Services (44507)	$48,128,471	$58,278,471
Fund Sources:		
General	$287,332,709	$307,170,089
Federal Trust	$61,679,447	$61,679,447

Authority: Title 37.2, Chapters 5 and 6; Title 2.2, Chapter 53, Code of Virginia.

A. It is the intent of the General Assembly that community mental health, intellectual disability and substance abuse services are to be improved throughout the state. Funds provided in this Item shall not be used to supplant the funding effort provided by localities for services existing as of June 30, 1996.

B. Further, it is the intent of the General Assembly that funds appropriated for this Item may be used by Community Services Boards to purchase, develop, lease, or otherwise obtain, in accordance with §§ 37.2-504 and 37.2-605, Code of Virginia, real property necessary to the provision of residential services funded by this Item.

C. Out of the appropriation for this Item, funds are provided to Community Services Boards in an amount sufficient to reimburse the Virginia Housing Development Authority for principal and interest payments on residential projects for the mentally disabled financed by the Housing Authority.

D. The Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services shall make payments to the Community Services Boards from this Item in twenty-four equal semimonthly installments, except for necessary budget revisions or the operational phase-in of new programs.

E. Failure of a board to participate in Medicaid covered services and to meet all requirements for provider participation shall result in the termination of a like amount of state grant support.

F. Community Services Boards may establish a line of credit loan for up to three months' operating expenses to assure adequate cash flow.

G. Out of this appropriation $190,000 the first year and $190,000 the second year from the general fund shall be provided to Virginia Commonwealth University for the continued operation and expansion of the Virginia Autism Resource Center.

H.1. Out of this appropriation, $13,203,366 the first year and $13,203,366 the second year from the general fund

shall be provided for Virginia's Part C Early Intervention System for infants and toddlers with disabilities.

2. By October 1 of each year, the department shall report to the Chairmen of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees on the (a) total revenues used to support Part C services, (b) total expenses for all Part C services, (c) total number of infants, toddlers and families served using all Part C revenues, and (d) services provided to those infants, toddlers, and families.

I. Out of this appropriation $6,148,128 the first year and $6,148,128 the second year from the general fund shall be provided for mental health services for children and adolescents with serious emotional disturbances and related disorders, with priority placed on those children who, absent services, are at-risk for custody relinquishment, as determined by the Family and Assessment Planning Team of the locality. The Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services shall provide these funds to Community Services Boards through the annual Performance Contract. These funds shall be used exclusively for children and adolescents, not mandated for services under the Comprehensive Services Act for At-Risk Youth, who are identified and assessed through the Family and Assessment Planning Teams and approved by the Community Policy and Management Teams of the localities. The department shall provide these funds to the Community Services Boards based on an individualized plan of care methodology.

J. The Commissioner, Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services shall allocate $1,000,000 the first year and $1,000,000 the second year from the federal Community Mental Health Services Block Grant for two specialized geriatric mental health services programs. One program shall be located in Health Planning Region II and one shall be located in Health Planning Region V. The programs shall serve elderly populations with mental illness who are transitioning from state mental health geriatric units to the community or who are at risk of admission to state mental health geriatric units. The commissioner is authorized to reduce the allocation in each year in an amount proportionate to any reduction in the federal Community Mental Health Services Block Grant funds awarded to the Commonwealth.

K. The Commissioner, Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services shall allocate $750,000 the first year and $750,000 the second year from the federal Community Mental Health Services Block Grant for consumer-directed programs offering specialized mental health services that promote wellness, recovery and improved self-management. The commissioner is authorized to reduce the allocation in each year in an amount proportionate to any reduction in the federal Community Mental Health Services Block Grant funds awarded to the Commonwealth.

L. Out of this appropriation, $2,197,050 the first year and $2,197,050 the second year from the general fund shall be used for jail diversion and reentry services. Funds shall be distributed to community-based contractors based on need and community preparedness as determined by the commissioner.

M. Out of this appropriation, $2,400,000 the first year and $2,400,000 the second year from the general fund shall be used for treatment and support services for substance use disorders. Funded services shall focus on recovery models and the use of best practices.

N. Out of this appropriation, $2,780,645 the first year and $2,780,645 the second year from the general fund shall be used to provide outpatient clinician services to children with mental health needs. Each Community Services Board shall receive funding as determined by the commissioner to increase the availability of specialized mental health services for children. The department shall require that each Community Services Board receiving these funds agree to cooperate with Court Service Units in their catchment areas to provide services to mandated and nonmandated children, in their communities, who have been brought before Juvenile and Domestic Relations Courts and for whom treatment services are needed to reduce the risk these children pose to themselves and their communities or who have been referred for services through family assessment and planning teams through the Comprehensive Services Act for At-Risk Youth and Families.

O. Out of this appropriation, $17,701,997 the first year and $17,701,997 the second year from the general fund shall be used to provide emergency services, crisis stabilization services, case management, and inpatient and outpatient mental health services for individuals who are in need of emergency mental health services or who meet the criteria for mental health treatment set forth pursuant to House Bill 559 and Senate Bill 246, 2008 Session of the General Assembly. Funding provided in this item also shall be used to offset the fiscal impact of (i) establishing and providing mandatory outpatient treatment, pursuant to House Bill 499 and Senate Bill 246, 2008 Session of the General Assembly; and (ii) attendance at involuntary commitment hearings by community services board staff who have completed the prescreening report, pursuant to House Bill 560 and Senate Bill 246, 2008 Session of the General Assembly.

P. Out of this appropriation, $8,800,000 the first year and $8,800,000 the second year from the general fund shall be used to provide community crisis intervention services in each region for individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities and co-occurring mental health or behavioral disorders.

Q. Out of this appropriation, $1,900,000 the first year and $1,900,000 the second year from the general fund shall be used to expand community-based services in Health Planning Region V. These funds shall be used for services intended to delay or deter placement, or provide discharge assistance for patients in a state mental health facility.

R. Out of this appropriation, $2,000,000 the first year and $2,000,000 the second year from the general fund shall be used to expand crisis stabilization and related services statewide intended to delay or deter placement in a state mental health facility.

S. Out of this appropriation, $4,150,000 the first year and $4,650,000 the second year from the general fund shall be used to provide child psychiatry and children's crisis response services for children with mental health and behavioral disorders. These funds, divided among the health planning regions based on the current availability of the services, shall be used to hire or contract with child psychiatrists who can provide direct clinical services, including crisis response services, as well as training and consultation with other children's health care providers in the health planning region such as general practitioners, pediatricians, nurse practitioners, and community service boards staff, to increase their expertise in the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of children with mental health disorders. Funds may also be used to create new or enhance existing community-based crisis response services in a health planning region, including mobile crisis teams and crisis stabilization services, with the goal of diverting children from inpatient psychiatric hospitalization to less restrictive services in or near their communities. The Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services shall report on the use and impact of this funding to the Chairmen of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance Committees beginning on October 1, 2014 and each year thereafter.

T. Out of this appropriation, $3,300,000 the first year and $8,700,000 the second year from the general fund shall be used for up to 32 drop-off centers to provide an alternative to incarceration for people with serious mental illness. Priority for new funding shall be given to programs that have implemented Crisis Intervention Teams pursuant to § 9.1-102 and § 9.1-187 et seq. of the Code of Virginia and have undergone planning to implement drop-off centers.

U. Out of this appropriation, $1,250,000 the first year and $1,250,000 the second year from the general fund shall be used to develop and implement crisis services for children with intellectual or developmental disabilities.

V. Out of this appropriation, $1,750,000 the first year and $2,000,000 the second year from the general fund shall be used to provide community-based services to individuals residing in state hospitals who have been determined clinically ready for discharge.

W. Out of this appropriation, $600,000 the first year and $600,000 the second year from the general fund shall be used to provide mental health first aid training and certification to recognize and respond to mental or emotional distress. Funding shall be used to cover the cost of personnel dedicated to this activity, training and certification,

and manuals and certification for all those receiving the training.

X. Out of this appropriation, $1,132,620 the first year and $620,000 the second year from the general fund shall be used to expand access to telepsychiatry services.

Y. Out of this appropriation, $950,000 the first year and $3,800,000 the second year from the general fund shall be used to implement four new Programs of Assertive Community Treatment (PACT).

Z. Out of this appropriation, $3,500,000 the first year and $4,000,000 the second year from the general fund shall be used to increase availability of community-based mental health outpatient services for youth and young adults.

AA. Out of this appropriation, $2,750,000 the first year from the general fund shall be used for the provision of services for individuals transitioning out of Northern Virginia Training Center into community settings.

BB. Out of this appropriation, $250,000 the first year and $500,000 the second year from the general fund shall be used to increase mental health inpatient treatment purchased in community hospitals. Priority shall be given to regions that exhaust available resources before the end of the year in order to ensure treatment is provided in the community and do not result in more restrictive placements.