
VIRGINIA STATE BUDGET

2021 Special Session I

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Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission

Item 497

First Year - FY2021

Second Year - FY2022

Financial Assistance for Supplemental Assistance Services (49100)	\$15,336,070	\$15,336,070
	\$10,627,494	\$11,402,494
Crime Victim Compensation (49104)	\$15,336,070	\$15,336,070
	\$10,627,494	\$11,402,494
Fund Sources:		
General	\$6,593,576	\$6,593,576
	\$1,885,000	\$2,660,000
Dedicated Special Revenue	\$6,730,494	\$6,730,494
Federal Trust	\$2,012,000	\$2,012,000

Authority: Title 19.2, Chapters 21.1 and 21.2, Code of Virginia.

A. Out of this appropriation, up to ~~\$6,593,576~~ \$1,885,000 the first year and up to ~~\$6,593,576~~ \$2,660,000 the second year from the general fund shall be transferred to the Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund, established pursuant to § 19.2-368.18, Code of Virginia, for the administration of the Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission Sexual Assault Forensic Exam (SAFE) Payment program.

B. The Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission Sexual Assault Forensic Exam (SAFE) program shall make all efforts to access federal and state funds to raise the reimbursement rate cap for acute forensic exams performed by a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner to sixty percent of the actual cost of the exam. The funds provided in paragraph A. shall be used to help meet this reimbursement rate goal, expand existing forensic nursing programs, and develop forensic nursing programs in under-served communities.

CB. The Virginia Workers' Compensation Commission shall prepare a report on the number of forensic acute, non-acute, and follow-up exams performed by medical providers for victims of sexual assault for which reimbursements are sought, billed and paid for, through the Sexual Assault Forensic Exam (SAFE) Payment program. The report shall detail the number of such exams, the amounts billed by medical providers for each exam, and the reimbursements made to providers for such billed exams through the SAFE Payment program. The report shall be delivered on or before November 1 of each year to the Chairs of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees.