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Budget Bill - HB30 (Introduced)

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Department of Health

Item 278	First Year - FY2027	Second Year - FY2028
Communicable Disease Prevention and Control (40500)	**$132,907,252**	**$121,585,668**
Immunization Program (40502)	$8,890,303	$8,890,303
Tuberculosis Prevention and Control (40503)	$2,595,132	$2,595,132
Sexually Transmitted Disease Prevention and Control (40504)	$6,028,392	$6,028,392
Disease Investigation and Control Services (40505)	$23,907,311	$12,585,727
HIV/AIDS Prevention and Treatment Services (40506)	$81,702,732	$81,702,732
Pharmacy Services (40507)	$9,783,382	$9,783,382
Fund Sources:		
General	$16,825,289	$16,825,289
Special	$2,952,940	$2,952,940
Dedicated Special Revenue	$5,564,145	$5,564,145
Federal Trust	$107,564,878	$96,243,294

Authority: §§ 32.1-11.1, 32.1-11.2, and 32.1-35 through 32.1-73, Code of Virginia; and P.L. 91-464, as amended, Federal Code.

A. Out of this appropriation, $90,000 the first year and $90,000 the second year from the general fund shall be used to purchase medication and supplies for individuals who have drug-susceptible or drug-resistant tuberculosis but who do not qualify for free or reduced prescription drugs and who do not have adequate income or insurance coverage to purchase the required prescription drugs.

B. The requirement for testing of tuberculosis isolates set out in § 32.1-50 E, Code of Virginia, shall be satisfied by the submission of samples to the Division of Consolidated Laboratory Services, or such other laboratory as may be designated by the Board of Health.

C. Out of this appropriation, $2,000,000 the first year and $2,000,000 the second year from nongeneral funds shall be used to purchase the Tdap (tetanus/diphtheria/pertussis) vaccine for children without insurance.

D. Out of this appropriation, $200,000 the first year and $200,000 the second year from the general fund shall be provided to the State Pharmaceutical Assistance Program (SPAP) for insurance premium payments, coinsurance payments, and other out-of-pocket costs for individuals participating in the Virginia Medication Assistance Program (VA MAP) with incomes meeting the VA MAP's current requirements and who are Medicare prescription drug coverage beneficiaries. These funds may also be used for the purchase of medications, co-insurance payments and other out-of-pocket costs for individuals served by the Virginia Department of Health's HIV Pre-Exposure

Prophylaxis (PrEP) and non-occupational Post Exposure Prophylaxis (n-PEP) programs to prevent HIV infection.

E. The State Health Commissioner shall monitor patients who have been removed or diverted from the Virginia Medication Assistance Program (VA MAP) due to budget considerations. At a minimum the Commissioner shall monitor patients to determine if they have been successfully enrolled in a private Pharmacy Assistance Program or other program to receive appropriate anti-retroviral medications. The commissioner shall also monitor the program to assess whether a waiting list has developed for services provided through the VA MAP program. The commissioner shall report findings to the Chairmen of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees annually on October 1.

F. The Virginia Department of Health shall report for each month within 30 days after the end of each month, on the number of procedures approved for payment pursuant to § 32.1-92.2, Code of Virginia, and include a description of the nature of the fetal abnormality, to the extent permitted by law, as required for eligibility under § 32.1-92.2, Code of Virginia. The department shall report the information by letter to the Chairmen of the House Appropriations and Senate Finance and Appropriations Committees.

G. Out of this appropriation, $1,600,011 the first year and $1,600,011 the second year shall be provided to the Virginia Department of Health from available federal funding in the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, including the State Opioid Response Grant, as available, to purchase and provide opioid reversal drugs to support community rescue efforts for those who deal with vulnerable populations.

H. Out of this appropriation, $1,300,000 the first year and $1,300,000 the second year from the general fund shall be used to purchase opioid reversal drugs.

I. The Virginia Department of Health shall review and update their data collection and reporting protocols for COVID-19 or other infectious disease data to report actual deaths not an extrapolated projection of deaths.

J. The State Health Commissioner shall ensure that residents and employees of any nursing home or assisted living facility receive priority for testing indicating the existence of the COVID-19 virus in the Commonwealth. The Commissioner shall make available public health testing, if necessary, in order to ensure that nursing homes or assisted living facilities have access to testing that can provide the most rapid results in order to prevent or contain outbreaks of COVID-19. Such testing shall be provided, as needed, by the Division of Consolidated Laboratory Services or other public health testing agencies of the Commonwealth. Any testing costs through the public health system for employees or residents of nursing homes or assisted living facilities may be billed to responsible third-parties.

K.1. Out of this appropriation, $5,464,145 the first year and $5,464,145 the second year from the Commonwealth Opioid Abatement and Remediation fund shall be provided for the purchase and distribution of opioid reversal agents and test kits and for the development of tracking software.

2. Of the amounts provided in K.1., $1,000,000 the first year and $1,000,000 the second year shall be provided to purchase and distribute eight milligram naloxone nasal spray.

L. Out of this appropriation, $100,000 the first year and $100,000 the second year from the Commonwealth Opioid and Abatement and Remediation fund shall be provided for the purchase and distribution of additional opioid reversal agents for public school divisions by the Virginia Department of Health.