Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant Public Hearing July 21, 2025



Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant Background

The PHHS Block Grant (Block Grant) provides:

- "Critically needed, flexible funding"
- "To address the unique preventative health needs"
- Linked to Healthy People 2030 objectives

Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant Funding levels

- Non-competitive allocation to each state, plus territories and DC.
- Authorized in final federal budget.
 - Last year "F2024" will end 9/30/25: \$ 1,603,638
 - This year "F2025" will end 9/30/26: \$ 1,544,936

Note that this is a two-year grant and funding is spent in the second year.

F2024 – Work Plan

Program Area	Healthy People 2030 Objective
Accreditation	 Increase the proportion of state public health agencies that are accredited — PHI-01
Informatics	 Enhance the use and capabilities of informatics in public health — PHI-R06
Violence Prevention	• Reduce firearm Deaths — IVP-13
Workplace Health and Safety	 Reduce work-related injuries resulting in missed work days — OSH-02
Sexual Assault Prevention	Reduce contact sexual violence — IVP-D05

F2024 – Allocation changes

Program Area	Orig Budget	New Budget
Accreditation	\$ 228,900	\$ 97,305
Informatics	\$ 750,050	\$ 1,124,742
Violence Prevention	\$ 369,774	\$ 181,697
Workplace Health and Safety	\$ 188,403	\$ 103,277
Sexual Assault Prevention	\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000
Administration	\$160,364	\$ 99,703

F2025 Changes

- Need to shift funds between "infrastructure"
 (PHIG) versus "community prevention" (PHHS BG)
- Workplace Health and Safety, Accreditation, and most Informatics funding will shift to PHIG.
- Violence Prevention funds do not meet
 Maintenance of Effort requirements (moving to PHIG as well).

F2025 Continuing Programs

- Sexual Assault Prevention and Response
 - Required set-aside
 - Funding for SAPARS in the Western Public Health
 District via MECASA contract with OCFS
- Maine Shared Community Health Needs Assessment
 - Estimated 0.8 FTE
 - Cooperative agreement funding with USM for BRFSS & MIYHS support and data analyses.

F2025 "New" programs

- TB being added to PHHS BG
 - Contracts for 1.0 CHW and 1.0 epidemiologist moving from PHIG
- PFAS Response being added to PHHS BG
 - 2.0 FTE toxicologists and 0.8 FTE epidemiologist (previously funded via PHIG)
- Asthma Self-Management Program
 - 6 contracts for part-time CHWs (previously funded via the Asthma CHW grant).
 - A proposed contract to pilot the use of indoor air quality monitor to improve control of asthma triggers.

F2025 – Draft Allocations

Program Area	Budget	%
Community Health Needs Assessment	\$ 511,153	33.1%
PFAS	\$ 381,552	24.7%
Asthma	\$ 278,266	18.0%
Tuberculous	\$ 181,539	11.8%
Sexual Assault Prevention	\$ 40,000	2.5%
Administration	\$ 152,427	9.9%

Questions?

Comments?

Suggestions?

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