Report to The Vermont Legislature

Report on: Choices for Care Savings

In Accordance with 33 V.S.A. §7602
Title 33, Chapter 76, §7602
CFC: Calculating and Allocating Savings

Submitted to: Joint Fiscal Office

House Committee on Appropriations
House Committee on Human Services
Senate Committee on Appropriation
Senate Committee on Health and Welfare

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AGENCY OF HUMAN SERVICES Department of Disabilities, Aging and Independent Living

33 V.S.A. § 7601 requires the Department of Disabilities, Aging and Independent Living (DAIL) to determine the amount of available savings in the Choices for Care program from SFY 2020.

Savings is defined as "the difference remaining at the conclusion of each fiscal year between the amount of funds appropriated for Choices for Care and the sum of expended and obligated funds, less an amount equal to one percent of that fiscal year's total Choices for care expenditure." The one percent (1%) is intended to "function as a reserve to avoid implementing a High Needs wait list due to unplanned Choices for Care budget pressures throughout the fiscal year."

The Department is required to calculate available savings and report those savings to the Joint Fiscal Office and the House Committees on Appropriations and on Human Services and to the Senate Committees on Appropriations and on Health and Welfare by September 15 of each year.

As per the requirement in 33 V.S.A. § 7601, we are reporting that in state fiscal year 2020 there are no savings in the Choices for Care program. Choices for Care FY'20 closed with a balance of \$654,278. This is approximately ¼ of 1 percent (1%) and well below the 1% required reserve. Therefore, there are no funds available to reinvest in SFY21. Our Choices for Care close out summary for SFY 2020 has been attached to this report to offer additional documentation.

Choices for Care Year End Summary - SFY20

CFC is managed as one budget, categories are estimated but funding is fluid within them. DeptID - 3460080000

	-		SFY20 Budget Plan\$s Available (Final Appropriation)		SFY20 Expend and Obligated		Balance of SFY20 Approp by fund		State Share Amt as of FY20 Year End		e Share converted to Gross GC Amt Available For (Savings Reinvestment	_
	H&CB Money Follows the Person General											\$104,262.97 General Fund balance being carried forward to SFY21 - staying as General Fund for H&CB Money Follows
	Fund	\$	602,826.89	\$	498,563.92	\$	104,262.97	\$	104,262.97	\$	-	the Person obligations.
	H&CB Money Follows the Person Federal											
	Fund	\$	2,200,000.00	\$	1,880,978.00	\$	319,022.00	\$	-	\$	-	Federal Funds are available to use in SFY21 via an Excess Receipt Request if needed.
	H&CB Global Commitment Fund	\$	81,362,452.00	\$ 8	1,381,827.44	\$	(19,375.44)	\$	(7,738.55)	\$	(19,375.44)	
	Nursing Home Global Comittment Fund	\$	140,882,963.00	\$ 14	0,209,309.55	\$	673,653.45	\$	269,057.19	\$	673,653.45	
	CRF Funding - Nursing Home Emergency Fi	\$	5,573,500.00	\$	1,447,547.21	\$	4,125,952.79	\$	-	\$	-	_
	Choices for Care Subtotal all funds	\$	230,621,741.89	\$ 22	5,418,226.12	\$	5,203,515.77	\$	365,581.61	\$	654,278.01	GC Carryforward from SFY20 into SFY21 available before obligations.
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	NOTES						\$1,077,563	_		\$	654,278.01	Carryforward is about 1/4 of 1% of budget.
1)	1) Included in the SFY20 Budget is SFY19 Carryforward - \$472,826.88										2,239,706.79	1% reserve requirement, calculated by taking 1% of SFY20 expenses not including CRF expenses (if available)
2)	2) Also included in the SFY20 Budget above is a end of year GC adjustment of \$130,000 GF and \$3,300,000 GC, which is not base funding.										-	amount available for "reinvestment"

³⁾ CRF Funding is not included in the 1% reserve calculation.