

Thea Lenna – Category Comparisons: FY 2014 and FY 2015

1) What is the oral health gain in funds? If not for HIV, what would be an example of what those funds are allocated for?

- The oral health gain in funds is due to an increase in funding from the Office of Eligibility Services under the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. There was a very large increase in funding to medical assistance programs, which includes limited oral health care. As stated during the presentation, the general streams analyzed here are not for HIV-specific care and includes all funding that may contribute to service delivery under a specific category.

2) Are you looking for grant funding available in general, or specifically for changes in funding within our EMA providers?

- The funding streams take into account any funding available in general for each service category. This includes federal, state, county and local grants as well as private funding. The funding streams are not specific to Ryan White providers, but give an overall picture of funding that may be available within the EMA for service categories covered under Ryan White. Efforts are made to keep the funding streams analyzed as local as possible, but some funding streams such as Part B cover the entire state and cannot be further broken down to the EMA.

3) What percentage of funding was allocated toward HIV care as opposed to general health care?

- For funding considered in the FY 2015 planning cycle, 6.13 percent of funding considered as funding for service categories was HIV-specific; this is approximately \$2.8 million out of the \$4.5 billion considered as relevant funding. Specific to OAHHS service categories, 12.18% of funding is considered to be HIV-specific. This is approximately \$14.17 million of \$116.42 million of the funding considered. An additional \$27.8 million was also considered as broad HIV funding, which includes funding streams such as Ryan White Special Projects of National Significance (SPNS) and funding for epidemiological studies of HIV and AIDS. Programs funded under these streams may also provide HIV care.

4) Is it possible to receive an updated comparison chart for HIV-specific and general streams by service category and resources that provide health and support services?

- A full list of funding streams will be available to planning council members in the Fiscal Planning Essentials book. This document will be available at or after PSRA training.