

State of Indiana

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 14, 2024

TO: Joseph Habig, Deputy Director

FROM: Zac Jackson, State Budget Director

SUBJECT: Medicaid Contingency and Reserve Account Transfer

Consistent with IC 4-12-1-15.5, please transfer \$271,200,000 from the Medicaid Contingency and Reserve Account to the Family and Social Services Administration's Medicaid Assistance fund effective February 14, 2024. According to 4-12-1-15.5(a):

The Medicaid contingency and reserve account is established within the state general fund for the purpose of providing money for timely payment of Medicaid claims, obligations, and liabilities. Money in the account must be used to pay Medicaid claims, obligations, and liabilities. The account shall be administered by the budget agency.

Increases in program enrollment and services utilization have grown Medicaid program expenditures as well as the subsequent appropriation need of the agency. The FY 2023 Medicaid Assistance General Fund need was \$271,200,000 more than the funding available for the program as presented during the Medicaid Forecast update at the December 19, 2023, meeting of the State Budget Committee. In order to support FY 2023 Medicaid claims, obligations, and liabilities, it is necessary to transfer \$271,200,000 from the Medicaid Contingency and Reserve Account (17220) to the Medicaid Assistance fund (15050).