

**ARKANSAS MINORITY HEALTH COMMISSION (319)  
2011-13 BIENNIUM - EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION**

**I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES**

**MISSION**

The Arkansas Minority Health Commission (AMHC) was created by Act 912 of 1991 to address the unique problems of the health status of Arkansas' minority population. The agency assesses the delivery of health services to minorities and identifies gaps in service to minorities, implements programs for minority health and makes recommendations for improvements.

**TOTAL BIENNIAL BUDGET**

The total budget for the Commission is \$1,921,769 for each year of the biennium.

**FUNDING SOURCE**

The budget is funded by general revenues through the State General Services Fund and Tobacco Settlement proceeds as well as a cash fund. They have two separate appropriation acts. One includes the Minority Health Operations and Cash Appropriations which are funded by General Revenue and Cash and the other appropriation bill is for the Minority Health Initiative which is funded by Tobacco Settlement Funds.

**II) CHANGES/APPROPRIATIONS**

- Increase of unfunded cash appropriation of \$58,000 each year of the biennium in Personal Services and Operating Expense line item to be used for educational or seminar expenses.
- Base Level appropriation with a transfer of \$200,000 each year from Professional Fees line item to Screening, Monitoring, Treating and Outreach line item in the Minority Health Initiative appropriation.

**III) POSITIONS**

Total positions for the 2011-13 Biennium: 9

Total positions for FY 2011: 9

**IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE**

Found in both appropriation bills:

\* Promotional Items - allows agency to transfer from Operating Expenses and/or Screening, Monitoring, Treating and Outreach appropriation and funds to be used in the acquisition of promotional items.

Found in Tobacco Settlement Funded appropriation bill - Tobacco Settlement Special Language Items:

\* Transfer Restrictions - appropriations shall not be transferred but only as provided in this act.

\* Transfer of Appropriations - in the event the amount of any

of the budget classifications of maintenance and general operation are found to be inadequate, then the agency head may request a modification.

\* Positions - Nothing in this act shall be construed as a commitment of the State to continue funding any position paid from the proceeds of the Tobacco Settlement.

\* Compliance with Other Laws.

\* Legislative Intent.