

OFFICE OF MEDICAID INSPECTOR GENERAL (035)

FISCAL YEARS 2018 & 2019

PER EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION

**I) AGENCY SUMMARY & REVENUE SOURCES**

**MISSION**

The Office was created by Act 1499 of 2013 to conduct and supervise activities to prevent, detect, and investigate medical assistance program waste, fraud and abuse and to maximize the recovery of improper Medicaid payments.

**TOTAL APPROPRIATION**

The total appropriations are \$7,475,618 for FY2018 and \$7,481,373 in FY2019, with total increases of \$4,809,776 and \$4,814,221, respectively.

**FUNDING SOURCES**

The Office is funded by general revenue from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund, transfers and Federal funds.

**II) CHANGE LEVEL REQUESTS**

**State Operations**

The recommendation for this appropriation, funded from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, is for \$1,251,833 in FY18 and \$1,252,684 in FY19, with total increases of \$69,093 and \$69,293 respectively in the following line items:

- Increases of \$10,913 and \$11,003 respectively for Regular Salaries and \$5,316 in both years for Personal Services Matching for the restoration of one currently unbudgeted position
- Extra Help increases of \$3,499 in both years
- Operating Expenses increases of \$16,400 and \$21,500 respectively to assist in fulfilling state and federal regulatory requirements
- Conference Fees & Travel increases of \$1,300 and \$1,400 respectively to assist in fulfilling state and federal regulatory requirements
- Professional Fees increases of \$1,665 in both years to assist in fulfilling state and federal regulatory requirements
- Capital Outlay increases of \$30,000 and \$25,000 respectively to allow for equipment purchases that may be needed to fulfill state and federal regulatory requirements

### **Federal Operations**

The recommendation for this appropriation, funded from federal funds, is for \$1,551,720 in FY18 and \$1,554,629 in FY19 with total increases of \$68,618 and \$70,868 respectively in the following line items:

- Regular Salaries increases of \$10,914 and Personal Services Matching increases of \$5,321 in both years for the restoration of one currently unbudgeted position
- Extra Help increases of \$3,501 in both years
- Operating Expenses increase of \$16,400 and \$23,550 respectively to assist in fulfilling state and federal regulatory requirements
- Conference Fees & Travel increases of \$1,100 and \$1,200 respectively to assist in fulfilling state and federal regulatory requirements
- Professional Fees increases of \$1,382 in both years to assist in fulfilling state and federal regulatory requirements
- Capital Outlay increases of \$30,000 and \$25,000 respectively to allow for equipment purchases that may be needed to fulfill state and federal regulatory requirements

### **Enterprise Fraud Program**

The recommendation for this appropriation, funded from federal funds, is for an increase of \$3.6 million over the Base Level appropriation of zero. This represents a decrease of \$400,000 from the current \$4 million appropriation for FY2017.

#### **\*NEW\* Enterprise Fraud Program-State**

The recommendation for this appropriation, funded from the Miscellaneous Agencies Fund Account, is for \$900,000 to pay the state matching portion of the Enterprise Fraud Program.

#### **\*NEW\* Cash Operations**

The recommendation for this appropriation, funded by a transfer from the Department of Human Services, is \$172,065 in FY18 and \$174,060 in FY19 for the operations of the Payment Integrity Unit including two (2) pool positions obtained during the interim.

**III) ADDITIONAL POSITIONS (Total FY2017 Authorized Positions: 38)**

Total Positions for FY2019: 39

Total Positions for FY2018: 39

Total Base Level Positions: 36

Increase(Decrease): 3 - Restoration of one unbudgeted position from the operations appropriation and the continuation of two pool positions (OMIG Operations Manager-C125, Legal Services Specialist-C117) from the cash appropriation obtained during the interim.

Extra Help Positions FY2018 and FY2019: 2 (Total FY2017 Authorized Extra Help: 2)

**IV) SPECIAL LANGUAGE**

NONE