

## COLORADO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH CARE POLICY & FINANCING

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The Honorable Mary Hodge, Chair Joint Budget Committee 200 East 14th Avenue, Third Floor Denver, CO 80203

Dear Senator Hodge:

This letter is in response to the Legislative Request for Information affecting all departments number 5 which states:

Every department is requested to submit to the Joint Budget Committee, by November 1, 2011 information on the number of additional federal and cash funds FTE associated with any federal grants or private donations that were received in FY 2009-11. The Departments are also requested to identify the number of additional federal and cash funds FTE associated with any federal grants or private donations that are anticipated to be received during FY 2011-12.

In FY 2009-10, the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (the Department) received a federal Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) grant that funded an additional 17.9 FTE not included in the FY 2010-11 Long Bill. During FY 2010-11, the Department received a federal "Money Follows the Person" grant that funded 0.4 FTE. The Department received a federal Medicaid Infrastructure Improvement Grant that funded 1.7 FTE during FY 2010-11. During FY 2010-11, the Department also received three private grants that funded 2.0 FTE. The Department funded 2.2 FTE through federal grants related to the Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization Act (CHIPRA).

For FY 2011-12, the Department will fund an additional 0.5 FTE through the federal Medicaid Infrastructure Improvement Grant. In FY 2011-12 the Department believes that it will hire an additional 6.1 FTE related to the federal "Money Follows the Person" grant. The Department will also fund 2.0 additional FTE through the Dual Eligible Individuals Integration contract with the federal government. This last funding source is a federal competitive contract that the Department has received. Additionally, the Department believes it may receive up to 5.0 additional FTE associated with pending applications for private grants.

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Note that all FTE hired in association with grants waive all state retention rights; employment is only guaranteed for the duration of the grant.

Sincerely,

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