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Teen Pregnancy Prevention (4530-9000): The program was essentially level funded. It was technically cut by \$136,000 (and funded at \$2,396,742) but this should only result in the elimination of the new data and evaluation pilot. We support the new data and evaluation pilot, but higher priority is funding for programs. We are seeking an amendment to increase funding for Teen Pregnancy Prevention, which would enable DPH to continue the data and evaluation pilot and increase funding for programming.

Teen Parent Shelter (4403-2119): Teen Parent Shelter, formerly called Teen Living Shelter would see a very small increase of about \$3,000 (and would be funded at \$9,197,502). However, Teen Parent Shelter must see an increase of \$400,000 just to maintain the current number of beds under higher rates for service providers. Because we have more young people in need of shelter than can access it when they need it, we are pursuing an amendment to increase funding beyond the additional \$400,000 needed to maintain the current number of Teen Parent Shelter beds.

Young Parents GED Program (part of 4401-1000): YPP is part of the Employment Services Program, which we were very disappointed to see cut by \$2.7 million (it would be funded at \$5 million overall). Because there is also no specific dollar amount attached to YPP, DTA could technically decide not to fund YPP and if they do fund the program, they could choose at what level to fund it. We are working to secure an amendment that would require DTA to level fund YPP and level fund other programs within ESP (including CIES), and increase funding to ESP overall.

Teen Parent Child Care: Access to child care for teen parents should remain stable under this proposal. Here is a breakdown of funding levels for accounts that impact TPCC:

- TANF Related Child Care (3000-4050): funded at \$133,477,300. This account is currently funded at \$131,351,486.
- Income Eligible Child Care (3000-4060): funded at \$241,894,678 and is currently funded at \$221,080,459
- Birth through Pre School (3000-4040): This would be a new line item funded at \$7.5 M to reduce the income eligible waitlist.

Please keep in mind:

- Some of the increase to Income Eligible Child Care is to maintain funding to serve children moved off the wait list in FY14 (there was \$15 M in new funding to move children off of the income eligible wait list in FY14)

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- The Income Eligible account also needs to capture a portion of a \$11.5 M rate increase for service providers.
- The increase to TANF related child care may also reflect provider rate increases.

Young Parent Support Program (part of 4800-0038): the overall line item would increase by \$14 M and be funded at \$265,398,907. Current language directing funding to young parents programs is included and YPS should be level funded without a problem.

Healthy Families (3000-7000): Healthy Families would see a small decrease of \$100,000 and would be funded at \$10,483,933.

School Based Health Centers (part of 4590-0250): This line item would see a decrease of \$171,000 and be funded at \$12,177,055.