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HHSC Overview

• Responsible for the overall delivery of health and human services across the state
• More than 200 programs
• Approximately 40,000 FTEs
• Operating budget exceeds $71 billion
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Programs include:

- Medicaid
- Children’s Health Insurance Program (CHIP)
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
- Other direct client services
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- Total Legislative Appropriation Request for HHSC is $77.3 billion for the biennium, along with $6.5 billion in exceptional item requests.

- Requested FTEs: Approximately 40,000 for the biennium, along with just under 1,000 additional in exceptional item requests.
Women’s Health Related Bills - Filed

• Over 30 bills filed related to Women’s Health Programs. Some include:

• HB 241 - Extending Medicaid Coverage for pregnant women beyond 60 days
• HB 30 - Long Acting Reversible Contraceptive product transfers for unused LARCS
• SB 189 - Auto-enrollment features
• Additional items include public health research and updates to program benefits.
Legislative Reports

• Texas Women's Health Program Savings and Performance Report for Fiscal Year 2017, Rider 97
• Auto-Enrollment in the Healthy Texas Women Program, Rider 106
• Better Birth Outcomes Initiatives within Health and Human Services, Rider 40
• Long-Acting Reversible Contraception Strategic Plan, Rider 105

*Available at https://hhs.texas.gov/laws-regulations/reports-presentations
Thank you

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