Act 11 (H.16) of 2018 Special Session – Substance Use Disorder Initiative Funding

ACTION ITEM - SPENDING PLAN - Act 11 of 2018 Special Session, C.106.2 \$2,500,000

After School Program \$600,000 (\$200,000/year)

These funds will increase access to afterschool programs, with a focus on activities that engage youth while parents are at work.

Nurse Home Visiting \$400,000 (\$200,000/year beginning in FY20)

These funds will facilitate the transition to the Maternal and Early Childhood Sustained Home Visiting (MESCH) model as supported evidence-based nurse home visiting practice in Vermont.

Clinical Suboxone Harm Reduction \$600,000 (\$200,000/year)

These funds will be used to support and maintain the staff required to provide low-barrier access to suboxone.

Federal or Other SUD Contingency \$425,000 (\$125,000/\$150,000/\$150,000)

SUD Response Initiatives

Medicaid/SUD Carryforward

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These funds will serve as a contingency if the loss of federal dollars or additional needs in SUD investments are identified. It will be spread out over the next three fiscal years.

One-time

Total

7,100,000 7,100,000

9,600,000 7,100,000

2,500,000

FY19

1,000,000

1,000,000

FY20

750,000

750,000

FY21

750,000

750,000

SBIRT (Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment) \$275,000 in FY19

TOTAL

These funds will be dedicated to sustaining the SBIRT program at the four pilot hospitals since the grant has ended. The funds will be used to maintain SBIRT staff in emergency rooms while a sustainability plan is developed and more comprehensive program is developed.

DOC - Hepatitis C (HCV) Treatment \$200,000 in FY19

This initial investment will treat those who are already in custody and have HCV, which will help prevent the disease from spreading. The rest of the cost will be covered from funds under Sec. C.1000(a)(14)

REPORT - ALLOCATION - Act 11 of 2018 Special Session, C.1000(a)(14)

DOC - Medically Assisted **Treatment** \$800,000 (\$400,000 in FY19 and FY20)

Expanded access to MAT in Corrections is estimated to cost an additional \$800,000/year. The FY2019 budget appropriated \$400,000 for expanded treatment. An additional \$400,000 is required to fully fund the expanded access to MAT in our correctional facilities.

DOC - Hepatitis C (HCV) **Treatment** \$1,812,500

We currently have approx. 70 inmates in DOC custody that have tested positive for HCV and are anticipated to be in custody long enough to complete a course of treatment. This initial investment will treat those who are already in custody and have HCV, which will help prevent the disease from spreading.

\$7,100,000

Section

C.106.2

C.1000(a)(14)

Federal or Other **SUD Contingency Funding** \$3,150,000

Given uncertainty at the federal level, these funds will serve as a contingency to ensure the financial viability of targeted state programs.

Opioid Coordination Council \$137,500

The FY2019 budget did not allocate funds for the two FTEs tasked with staffing the OCC. These positions will leverage federal funds.

Nurse Home Visiting \$200,000

This initial investment in nurse home visiting will facilitate the transition to the MESCH model as supported evidencebased nurse home visiting practice in Vermont.

Syringe Services Program (SSP) \$1,000,000

This is an additional investment in SSP, SSP includes a broader array of services, including counselling, in addition to the safe exchange of needles.

