

# Wyoming Budget 2027-2028 Biennium



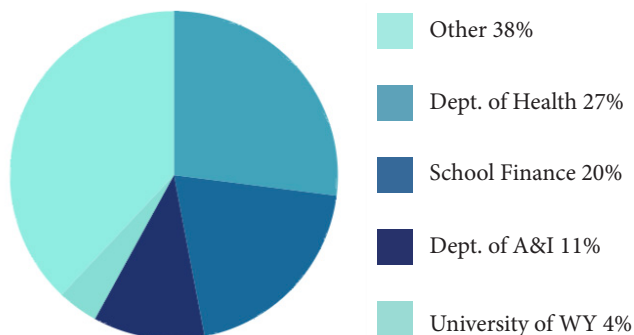
WYOMING MEDICAL SOCIETY

## Department of Health

*Understanding the contemplated funding, proposed legislative cuts, and the potential impact on Wyoming's Healthcare Infrastructure*

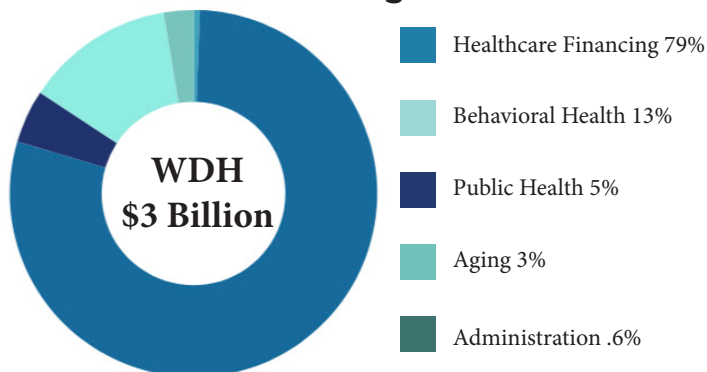
### Budget Snapshots

#### Governor's Proposed 27-28 Budget



Governor's recommended budget for the 27-28 WY Biennium totaled \$11 Billion. The WDH budget totaling almost \$3 Billion accounts for 27% of the state total..

#### WDH 27-28 Budget Allocation



### WDH Budget Categories



**Healthcare Financing:** Medicaid, CHIP, Community-Based and waiver Services, Program Integrity and WY Frontier Information.



**Behavioral Health:** WY State Hospital, WY Life Resource Center, Early Intervention & Education, Mental Health & Substance Use Treatment



**Public Health:** Infectious Disease, Public Health Laboratory, EMS, Immunization Unit, Maternal and Child Health, Public Health Nursing



**Aging:** Community living, healthcare licensing and surveys, WY Pioneer Home, WY Retirement Center, WY Senior Services Board, and Veterans' Home of WY

### Legislative Reductions

*Items below detail reductions to the exception requests in the Governor's recommended budget voted on by the Joint Appropriations Committee (JAC).*



**OB Reimbursement Rates:** Cut \$17M in state and federal funds to bring reimbursement rates for L&D in WY Critical Access Hospitals to 100% of cost. Cut an additional \$5M in physician reimbursement to bring rates to 90% of Medicare.



**Tribal Clinic Funding:** Cut \$58M in federal funds for mandatory Medicaid payments for tribal clinic support, provider reimbursement, pharmacy claims, nursing home services, and end-stage renal disease (ESRD) treatment clinics.



**Behavioral Health Services:** Cut \$3.5M in state and federal funding to address rising costs/or the true costs of providing critical mental health services, including outpatient mental health, substance use services and Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA) for autism related services



**Public Health Lab:** Cut \$2.9M in state funding for testing services and the delivery of specimens. This will result in increased costs for healthcare providers, hospitals, and long-term care facilities, and longer wait times for patients.