

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
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MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Linda W. Cropp
Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Natwar M. Gandhi
Chief Financial Officer

DATE: September 13, 2002

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement: “Medicaid State Plan Amendment for Breast and Cervical Cancer Treatment Program”

REFERENCE: Draft Legislation – Bill Number Not Available

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2003 through FY 2006 budget and financial plan to implement the proposed state plan amendment because any costs would be absorbed with existing resources.

Background

The proposed state plan amendment would allow the District to provide full Medicaid benefits to uninsured women under age 65 who are screened and diagnosed with breast or cervical cancer or pre-cancerous conditions through qualified screening programs.

Financial Plan Impact

There are expected to be approximately 47 women made eligible based on the state plan amendment at an annual cost of \$2,183 to the District based on a 79 percent federal matching rate. According to the Medical Assistance Administration (MAA), these additional costs of approximately \$100,000 in FY 2003 (increasing each year for inflation) can be absorbed with savings and recoupments within the Medicaid program.