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Detailed information on the Connecticut state budget for the next two fiscal years as passed by the legislature is contained in [HB 7424 AN ACT CONCERNING THE STATE BUDGET FOR THE BIENNIUM ENDING JUNE 30, 2021, AND MAKING APPROPRIATIONS THEREFOR, AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO REVENUE AND OTHER ITEMS TO IMPLEMENT THE STATE BUDGET](#). The budget generally maintains current funding to the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) including:

- \$1.6 million to the Grants to Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services accounts;
- Maintains funding for Connecticut Mental Health Center research activities;
- Maintains current state run substance use and mental health services.
- Dollars to correct the past fiscal year Personal Services deficiency;
- Maintains funding for wage increases;
- Provides expenditure trend funding for Other Expenses, Professional Services and Workers' Compensation accounts.

While not in the DMHAS budget, the state budget also includes dollars to implement greater access to Medication Assisted Treatment for individuals in the Department of Corrections. Medicaid rates for some providers treating individuals with methadone are also increased.

You can find information on the budget by clicking on the bill hyperlink provided above or by visiting cga.ct.gov. Please feel free to contact me if you have questions about any of the information contained in the legislative updates. I can be reached at (860) 418-6839, (860) 985-2120 or via email at mary.mason@ct.gov.