

  
*Colorado Legislative Council Staff Fiscal Note*  
**FINAL**  
**FISCAL NOTE**

**Drafting Number:** LLS 12-0779  
**Prime Sponsor(s):** Rep. Gerou  
 Sen. Steadman

**Date:** July 2, 2012  
**Bill Status:** Signed into Law  
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**TITLE:** CONCERNING THE REENACTMENT OF THE STATUTES THAT AUTHORIZE GRANTS FROM THE PRIMARY CARE FUND FOR COMPREHENSIVE PRIMARY CARE SERVICES.

Fiscal Impact Summary	FY 2012-2013	FY 2013-2014
<b>State Revenue</b>		
<b>State Expenditures</b>		
Cash Funds		
Primary Care Fund	\$28,253,000	\$28,253,000
<b>FTE Position Change</b>		
<b>Effective Date:</b> The bill was signed into law by the Governor and took effect March 1, 2012.		
<b>Appropriation Summary for FY 2012-2013:</b> None required.		
<b>Local Government Impact:</b> None.		

**Summary of Legislation**

The bill, recommended by the Joint Budget Committee, re-enacts statutes allowing the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (DHCPF) to operate the Comprehensive Primary Care Services Program. This program is funded from the Primary Care Fund, which receives a portion of tobacco tax revenue, providing funding to primary care providers who serve a large portion of low-income persons.

These statutes governing the operations of Comprehensive Primary Care Services Program were erroneously repealed by Senate Bill 11-216. Statutes creating the Primary Care Fund and providing tobacco tax revenue to the fund were not repealed.

**State Expenditures**

The bill will increase expenditures in the DHCPF from the Primary Care Fund by about **\$28 million per year beginning in FY 2012-13**, which is the amount of funding previously provided to the program. Because Senate Bill 11-216 did not repeal the statute creating the Primary Care Fund and tobacco tax revenue is accruing in the fund, this funding will be available for the

DHCPF to resume operating the Comprehensive Primary Care Services Program as it did prior to Senate Bill 11-216. However, no funding is available in the Primary Care Fund for the current fiscal year, as funds were diverted for other purposes as part of the FY 2011-12 budget package. Therefore, no appropriation is required at this time.

**Departments Contacted**

Health Care Policy and Financing                      JBC