

# Department of Health and Social Services

## Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health (DSAMH)

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### Joint Finance Committee Hearing Fiscal Year 2027 Budget

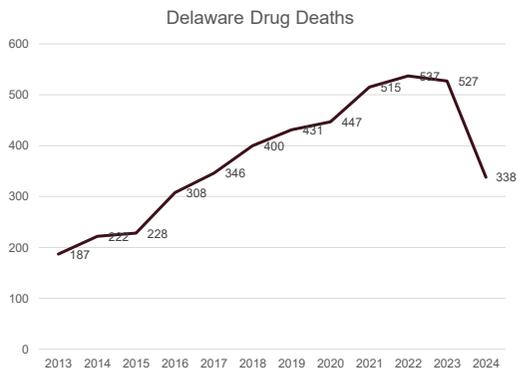
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## Accomplishments

- **Drug overdoses fell 36% in 2024; expecting another reduction in 2025**
- **Nearly \$14 Million in opioid settlement funds awarded to 63 Delaware organizations**
- **Progress with staff recruitment for DSAMH Crisis Intervention Services program**



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## Accomplishments

- Use of the **988 Suicide Prevention Lifeline** increased due to widespread advertising
- Implemented a **reimbursement rate increase** for PROMISE Program providers
- Ongoing **street outreach to unhoused people** and encampments



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## FY 2027 Governor’s Recommended Budget

(\$ in Thousands)

	GF	ASF	NSF	Total
FTEs	537.6	1.0	25.0	563.6
Dollars (\$)	\$136,617.8	\$14,916.2	\$24,593.0	\$176,127.0



### Budget Definitions:

- GF – General Funds
- ASF – Appropriated Special Funds
- NSF – Non-Appropriated Special Funds
- FTEs – Full Time Equivalent Positions

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- \$ 1,153.3 Mental Health Rate Reimbursement Increase for Community Based Organizations (Annualization of Phase I)
- \$100.0 Appropriated Special Funds (ASF) Residency Program Reimbursement



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## Looking ahead

- Federal grant portfolio stayed flat funded, with no notable cuts
- Medicaid eligibility changes may lead to an increase in demand for state-pay addiction treatment and psychiatric services
- Hire a Statewide Suicide Prevention Coordinator



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## Looking ahead

- Continue onboarding providers to the state's new behavioral health care coordination platform, Delaware Treatment Referral Network (DTRN) 360
- Continue cultivating provider capacity to launch Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHC's)



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