



## Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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<b>Subject</b>					
Crime victim compensation					

### Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Estimated fiscal impact to Wisconsin's Crime Victim Compensation Program

Mental health services for children who witness domestic violence:

Based on current domestic violence volume of 100 claims per year; estimate that one-third will utilize the benefits. Estimate an average of 1.7 children per family (Milwaukee data). Anticipate that insurance or Medicaid will cover two-thirds of the children. Estimate ten counseling/therapy sessions per child at a cost of \$100 each.

100 adult victims x .33 accessing benefit = 56 children of whom 2/3 are covered = 20 children x 10 sessions x \$100 per session = \$20,000 annually

Mental health services for parents or legal guardians of children who have been sexually or physically abused or threatened (limit benefit through administrative rules);

Based on 100 annual claims of child physical and sexual abuse; estimate 50% will obtain therapy and that 2/3 have insurance or Medicaid. Anticipate 10 session of counseling/therapy at \$100 per session.

100 child victims x .5 participation x .33 uninsured x 10 sessions x \$100 = \$16,500 annually

Mental health services for persons who witness acts of violence or great bodily harm (limit benefit through administrative rules);

Based on eight claims specialist estimates of approximately 10 such claims each per year, and anticipating that approximately 40% of those would use the benefit

80 claims x .40 users = 32 witnesses x 5 visits x \$100 per visit = \$16,000 annually

Healing methods recognized and practiced within other cultures;

Anticipate minimal impact = \$2,000 annually

Victims of terrorism or terrorism hoaxes;

Anticipate approaching the state legislature for a special appropriation necessary to serve victims of terrorism in response to an act of any scale

Up to one week of lost wages for a family member caring for a victim (limit benefit through administrative rules);

Based on estimate of 500 possible families, of whom approximately 10% would be working people who stayed home from paid employment to care for a victim, and who had no available paid time off benefit. Estimated three days of missed work per family at an average net salary of \$400 per week.

500 families x .10 x 3 days per week x \$80 per day = \$12,400 annually.

Increase the funeral benefit by \$1000 per victim x 63 funerals = \$63,000 annually.

Explicitly include mental health in the list of recognized medical services:

Anticipate no impact; the benefit is currently covered but not expressly listed

Protect the contact information of victims, victim family members and applicants to the Crime Victim Compensation program:

Anticipate no measurable fiscal impact

Eliminate the distinction between uses of federal and state money so that crime victims' expenses and lost

wages and benefits can be reimbursed in a timely manner:

This provision does not alter the size or number of awards being made by the program, nor does it increase overall program spending. It does have a significant impact for victims awaiting payments.

Estimate of total added benefits = \$129,900

Congress has voted to increase the federal share paid to states for Compensation by 20%. Based on Wisconsin's current allocation, that increase will be approximately \$130,000, so the department will have the funds to make these changes.

### **Long-Range Fiscal Implications**

## Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2001 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

Original     
  Updated     
  Corrected     
  Supplemental

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<b>I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect):</b>			
<b>II. Annualized Costs:</b>		<b>Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:</b>	
		Increased Costs	Decreased Costs
<b>A. State Costs by Category</b>			
State Operations - Salaries and Fringes		\$	
(FTE Position Changes)			
State Operations - Other Costs			
Local Assistance			
Aids to Individuals or Organizations	129,000		
<b>TOTAL State Costs by Category</b>	<b>\$129,000</b>		<b>\$</b>
<b>B. State Costs by Source of Funds</b>			
GPR			
FED	129,000		
PRO/PRS			
SEG/SEG-S			
<b>III. State Revenues - Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, ets.)</b>			
		Increased Rev	Decreased Rev
GPR Taxes		\$	\$
GPR Earned			
FED	130,000		
PRO/PRS			
SEG/SEG-S			
<b>TOTAL State Revenues</b>	<b>\$130,000</b>		<b>\$</b>
<b>NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT</b>			
		State	Local
NET CHANGE IN COSTS		\$129,000	\$
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE		\$130,000	\$
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