

HEALTH AND EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES AUTHORITY

GOVERNOR'S BUDGET RECOMMENDATIONS

Source of Funds	FY05 Adjusted Base	FY06 Recommended	% Change Over FY05	FY07 Recommended	% Change Over FY06
TOTAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITION SUMMARY

Source of Funds	FY05 Adjusted Base	FY06 Recommended	FTE Change From FY05	FY07 Recommended	FTE Change From FY06
TOTAL	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

AGENCY DESCRIPTION

The authority, created by the Legislature in 1973, has been providing active capital financing assistance to Wisconsin health care institutions since 1979. In 1987, the authority's charter was expanded to include the issuance of bonds for the benefit of independent colleges and universities and certain continuing care facilities. In 1994, legislative approval was received to include institutions that have health education as a primary purpose. Interest cost savings from authority financings are reflected in lower costs to the consumer through the rates, fees and tuitions established by the borrowing institution. The authority receives no state tax support to finance the bond issuances or for its general operating expenses.

The authority is governed by a seven-member board of directors appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate for staggered seven-year terms. Members of the authority must be residents of the state and not more than four may be members of the same political party.

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RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Health Care Quality and Patient Safety Board Approval

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The Governor recommends requiring that health care facilities and institutions requesting financial assistance from the authority first demonstrate to the new health care quality and patient safety board that they are making efforts to improve medical technology in their facilities. See Department of Administration, Item #4.