

2016-17 Budget Estimates Hearing

Public Accounts and Estimates Committee

The Hon Martin Foley

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2016-17 Budget - Overview

The 2016-17 Victorian Budget is focussed on:

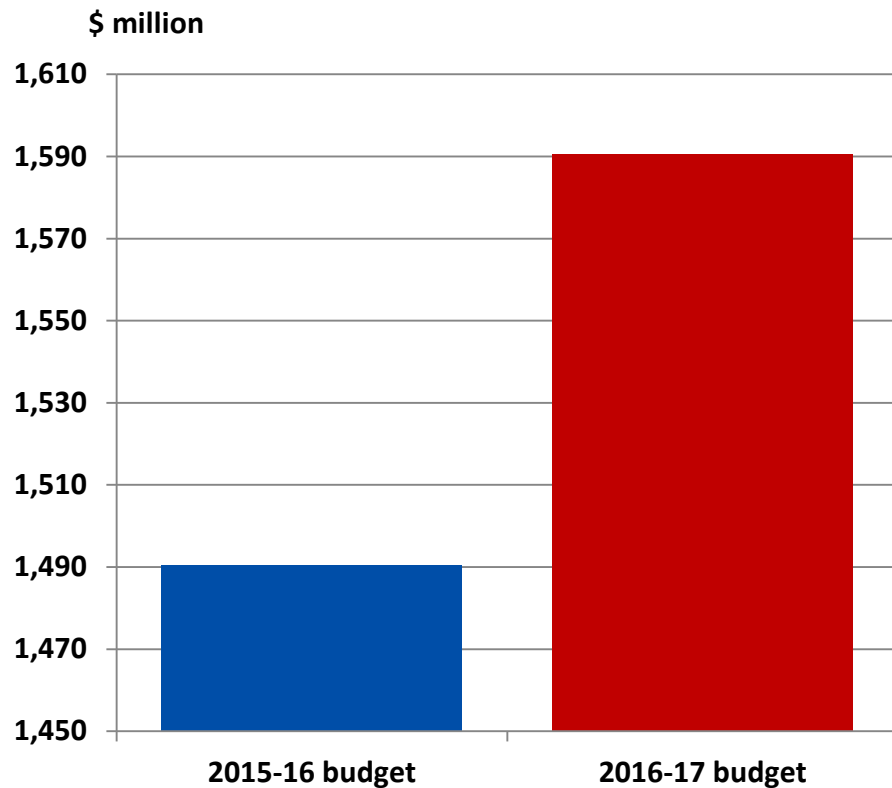
- *better access to mental health services*
- *creating a better society*
- *taking action on family violence*
- *community safety.*



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BUDGET 16/17

Mental health and drug and alcohol services budget growth

Mental Health



6.7 per cent increase in funding in 2016-17

\$356 million asset and output funding boost

Meeting clinical service demand

Work is underway to implement Victoria's 10-year Mental Health Plan to achieve better mental health outcomes for Victorians and to save lives.

2016-17 Budget provides an extra **\$132 million** to manage critical demand in the mental health system. This will deliver:

- more mental health services and more beds
- greater specialist intensive care.

A further **\$18.2 million** will be provided for clinical specialists and programs related to help people get well, stay well and keep them out of the criminal justice system, as part of a community safety strategy.

Suicide prevention

Victoria's 10-year Suicide Prevention Framework aims to reduce suicide over the next decade.

2016-17 Budget provides **\$27.5 million** for new suicide prevention initiatives. This includes:

- trials for intensive community based support
- local community approaches including workforce training, school-based support and mental health literacy programs
- designing and testing a youth suicide prevention app.

In addition, **\$1.6 million** will be provided for perinatal depression.

Supporting vulnerable Victorians

The 2016-17 Budget provides **\$57.3 million** for more mental health services supporting families and children. This includes initiatives:

- expanding support for families where a parent has a mental illness
- developing new clinical specialists for children with behaviour disorders
- improving housing access for people with a severe mental illness.

A further **\$9.9 million** will link Aboriginal Victorians, people from the LGBTI community and culturally and linguistically diverse people to the mental health services they need.

Taking action on alcohol and drugs in our community

The 2016-17 Budget invests further mental health funding in the next stage of the Ice Action Plan. This includes:

- **\$4 million** to address increased ice use in Aboriginal communities
- **\$10 million** in asset funding to improve selected mental health, alcohol and other drug facilities
- **\$6 million** to develop an 18 to 20 bed drug and alcohol rehabilitation facility in the Grampians region, servicing the Ballarat community

More broadly across Government, the Ice Action Plan delivers:

- **\$5.5 million** for further training and support to better equip frontline health workers.
- **\$30.9 million** output funding and **\$1.1 million** asset funding to expand the Drug Court of Victoria to the Melbourne CBD.

New mental health facilities

The 2016-17 Budget includes new facilities for four services, including:

- **\$59 million** to rebuild Orygen Youth Mental Health clinical and research facility in Parkville
- **\$14.6 million** to establish a new Early in Life Mental Health Service in conjunction with Monash Medical Centre
- **\$8.4 million** for a new Women's Prevention and Recovery Care Service
- **\$7.3 million** for a new State-wide Child and Family Mental Health Intensive Treatment Centre.