



Action Alert #18
Contact Senate Finance
Attend Yellow Shirt Day to Save DD and Other Services

May 24, 2017



The Senate Finance Committee is *tentatively** scheduled to meet **Saturday, May 27th, at 9:00 AM in Senate Committee Room A-B** to hear public testimony on the proposed Fiscal Year 2018 State Budget (HB1). **MASSIVE CUTS** to the LA Department of Health (LDH) totaling over \$235 million in state general funds (over \$700 million total) are included in the current budget proposal. Unless these cuts are restored by the Senate, LDH is forced to consider eliminating the following programs and services:

- Individual and Family Support program in many regions of the state
- Flexible Family Fund program in many regions of the state
- State Personal Assistance Services (SPAS)
- ALL community-based behavioral health services
- Adult pharmacy program
- Contracts with Families Helping Families Regional Resource Centers
- Pediatric Day Health Care Centers
- Various services provided through the local Human Services Districts/Authorities

If you want to see funding restored to LDH to save these vital services, **TAKE ACTION NOW** by:

- contacting Senate Finance members by Saturday, May 27th, if you haven't done so already. Contact information for committee members and help with what to say can be found in LaCAN's [Action Alert #16](#)
- coming to the Capitol in your yellow to show support for DD services. Several LaCAN members will represent our group by testifying before the committee.

If you plan to attend, need a yellow shirt or want to find out about carpooling options, contact your [LaCAN Leader](#). Don't forget to arrive early to ensure you get a seat!

*Should the date and time of public testimony change, an updated alert will be sent. Please monitor your email. Updates will also be provided via our Facebook and Twitter pages.



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