

WICHE - 069
December 9, 2011

BUDGET REDUCTION SCENARIOS

Scenario Summary			
Percent Reduction	Biennial Amount		Annual Amount
2.00%	\$	103,615	\$ 51,807
5.00%	\$	259,037	\$ 129,518
8.00%	\$	414,458	\$ 207,229

UNDERLYING PREMISES:

WICHE's Professional Student Exchange Program enables students to enroll in selected out-of-state professional programs because fields of study are not available at public institutions in their home states. The number of students supported by a state is determined through state legislative appropriations.

Based on projected slots for students and costs in FY13, the average cost per year per student in Wyoming is \$20,392 (\$40,784/biennium).

The savings are achieved by not admitting students in fall 2012 and carrying over per student cost savings in fall 2013.

WICHE funds will be used to support Doctor of Osteopathy (D.O.) degree students. M.D. degree students are supported via WWAMI.

2% REDUCTION PLAN

Mechanism	Biennial Amount	Details	Impacts
Reduction in number of students participating in the Professional Student Exchange Program (PSEP)	\$103,615	Selectively reduce the number of students supported by WICHE funds in their pursuit of professional and graduate training in medical and veterinary sciences	At an average cost of \$20,392 per year per student (\$40,784/biennium), three fewer students would be funded in the biennium to pursue professional certification or graduate degrees in the veterinary sciences or in health care fields, including but not limited to: occupational therapy, physical therapy, optometry, osteopathic medicine, physician's assistant, and podiatry. This reduces the number of potential veterinarians and health care providers returning to Wyoming communities to practice.

TOTAL, 2% SCENARIO	\$	103,615
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5% REDUCTION PLAN			
Mechanism	Biennial Amount	Details	Impacts
Reduction in number of students participating in the Professional Student Exchange Program (PSEP)	\$259,037	Selectively reduce the number of students supported by WICHE funds in pursuit of professional and graduate training in medical and veterinary sciences	<p>At an average cost of \$20,392 per year per student (\$40,784/biennium), six fewer students would be funded in the biennium to pursue professional certification or graduate degrees in the veterinary sciences or in health care fields, including but not limited to: occupational therapy, physical therapy, optometry, osteopathic medicine, physician's assistant, and podiatry.</p> <p>This reduces the number of potential veterinarians and health care providers returning to Wyoming communities to practice.</p>
TOTAL, 5% SCENARIO	\$259,037		

8% REDUCTION PLAN			
Mechanism	Biennial Amount	Details	Impacts
Reduction in number of students participating in the Professional Student Exchange Program (PSEP)	\$414,458	Selectively reduce the number of students supported by WICHE funds in pursuit of professional and graduate training in medical and veterinary sciences	<p>At an average cost of \$20,392 per year per student (\$40,784/biennium), 10 fewer students would be funded in the biennium to pursue professional certification or graduate degrees in the veterinary sciences or in health care fields, including but not limited to: occupational therapy, physical therapy, optometry, osteopathic medicine, physician's assistant, and podiatry.</p> <p>This reduces the number of potential veterinarians and health care providers returning to Wyoming communities to practice.</p>

TOTAL, 8% SCENARIO

\$414,458