



# Public Accounts and Estimates Committee

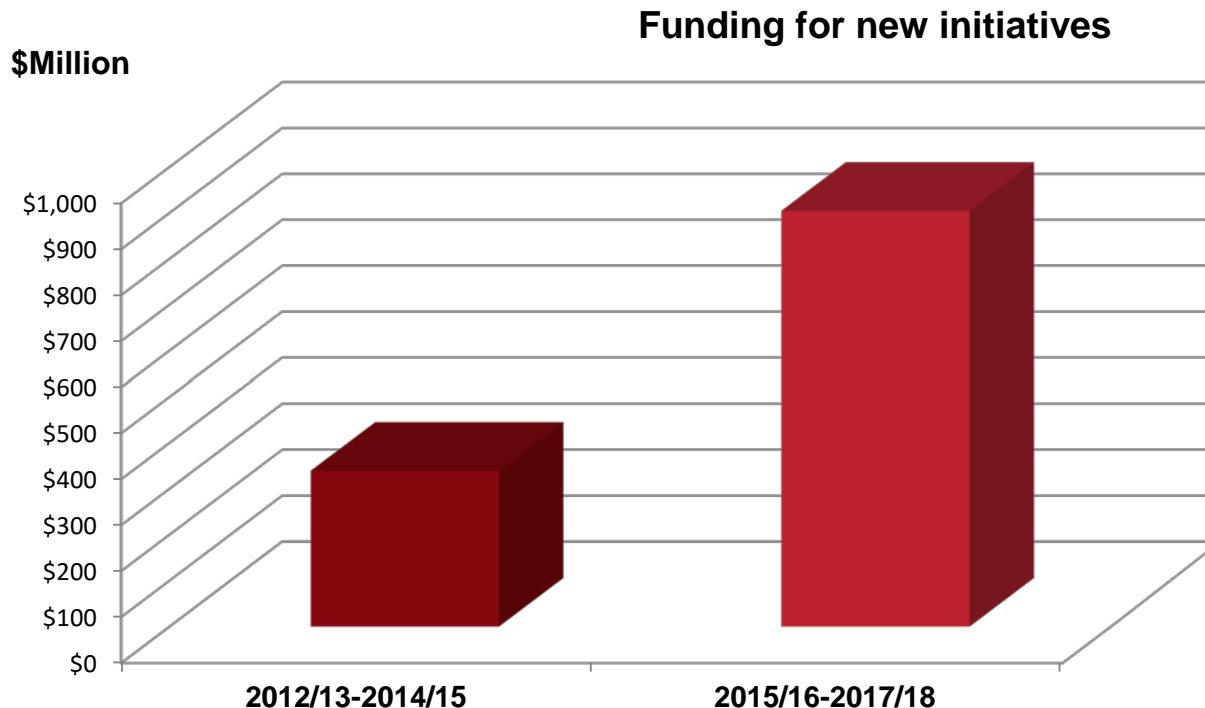
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# ***Mental Health and Alcohol and Other Drugs services investment growth***

The 2017/18 budget invests **14 per cent** more for mental health and alcohol and other drug services than the investment in 2016-17. Over the last three budgets that is an increase of **166.7 per cent** compared to the previous three years



# ***2017/18 Budget overview***

Investing **\$406.7 million** to make access to support quicker and easier.



- **\$201.1 million** to meet clinical services demand and provide additional inpatient services
- **\$39.4 million** to enhance the mental health system
- **\$85.2 million** to boost forensic mental health services
- **\$81.1 million** invested in the Stage 3 Ice Action Plan

# Meeting clinical services demand

The Government is investing **\$201.1 million** to meet clinical services demand and provide additional inpatient services, as well as a further **\$39.4 million** to enhance the mental health system:

- **\$9.1 million** to employ more allied health staff for weekend inpatient unit coverage
- **\$8.4 million** to make sure Aboriginal Victorians in need receive appropriate mental health support
- **\$3.5 million** to support the operation of the Mental Health Tribunal
- **\$10.0 million** for Facilities Renewal Grants
- **\$8.3 million** to build a Grampians Prevention and Recovery Care centre



# Boosting forensic mental health services to keep us safe

The Government is investing **\$85.2 million** to boost forensic mental health services:

- **\$41.3 million** to implement priority service reforms, including:
  - Community Mental Health programs to provide assessment and treatment for offenders on a Community Corrections Order
  - establishment of a Mental Health Advice and Response Service
  - enhanced clinical in-reach of mental health assessment, treatment and support services for young offenders in the justice system
  - establishment of a Forensic Youth Mental Health Service
- **\$3.9 million** to expand the secure Forensic Mental Health Unit for Youth Justice clients
- **\$40 million** to expand Thomas Embling Hospital and adult forensic mental health capacity

# Taking action on ice and other drugs



The Government is investing **\$81.1 million** in Stage Three of the Ice Action Plan, including:

- **\$34.8 million** for 30 new rehabilitation beds, drug treatment services for 3800 Victorian parents, and 960 treatment places for people on community correction orders
- **\$12.4 million** to expand services for those transitioning in or out of alcohol or drug treatment, who may be at risk of overdose
- **\$14.1 million** to employ 34 Aboriginal health workers to address drug use in Aboriginal communities
- **\$4.1 million** to strengthen alcohol and other drug treatment data systems
- **\$6.0 million** to provide increased phone and web-based support for those unable to access face-to-face services
- **\$9.7 million** to acquire land in the Gippsland, Hume and Barwon regions to build new residential drug rehabilitation facilities