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TO: Board of County Commissioners

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SUBJECT: General Fund Contingency request of \$102,510 to fund Bed Bug Treatment Support and Assistance with Dentures/Extractions (Budget Modification NOND-12)

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District 3 is requesting \$102,510 of General Fund contingency be appropriated to support Bed Bug Treatment Support and Assistance with Dentures/Extractions, which will be administered by the Department of County Human Services. Both initiatives will be directed to help seniors receiving assistance through DCHS' Aging and Disability Services Division.

- Bed Bug Treatment Support will provide \$36,250 to help 50 low-income seniors and people with disabilities to prepare their living space for bed bug treatment. Assistance includes washing clothes and bedding, cleaning, and moving heavy items.
- Assistance with Dentures and Extractions will provide \$66,260 to help 50 low-income seniors and people with disabilities to pay for needed dental work. This request backfills previously covered services discontinued by the Oregon Health Plan in 2010.

### **General Fund Contingency Policy Compliance**

The Budget Office is required to inform the Board whether submitted contingency requests fall with the guidelines for using General Fund Contingency.

- Criteria 1 states contingency requests should be for one-time-only purposes.  
**Bed Bug Treatment Support and Denture Assistance are not a one-time-only purpose.** The need for these services will not go away after the end of the fiscal year. The program is considering requesting funds in upcoming budgets to support these services.
- Criteria 2 addresses emergencies and unanticipated situations.  
**This request could have been anticipated during the FY 2011 Budget process.** Aging and Disabilities Services currently budgets for emergency assistance for clients to assist with medication, housing, and transportation needs. The program could have requested a higher level of emergency funds during the FY 2011 budget process.

- Criteria 3 addresses items identified in Board Budget Notes.

**This item was not identified in the Budget Notes.**