

**TESTIMONY BEFORE BUDGET SECTION
MEDICAID SYSTEMS PROJECT UPDATE
JUNE 21, 2011**

Chairman Grindberg, members of the Budget Section, I am Jenny Witham, Director of the Information Technology Services Division for the Department of Human Services. I appear before you to provide information on the status of the Medicaid Systems Project and Medicaid claims processing.

The Medicaid Systems Project continues to be impacted by delays in the completion of the ACS base Enterprise Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS). The base Enterprise MMIS is the foundation upon which the North Dakota MMIS will be constructed. Due to these delays, the June 2012 implementation date is no longer viable. We are working with ACS regarding the revised schedule. ACS will appear before the next Budget Section to explain the reasons for the delay and provide additional insight into the anticipated completion of the North Dakota system.

We also are continuing to work toward the finalization of the cost negotiations with ACS. Once completed, the ACS contract amendment will also require submission to CMS for final approval.

The table on the next page outlines the expenditures through the month of May 2011.

Description	Budget	Total Expended	Remaining
Total Medicaid System Project	\$62,529,371	\$40,714,736	\$21,814,635
General Fund	\$3,643,133	\$2,659,279	\$983,854
Federal Funds	\$55,218,418	\$35,867,887	\$19,350,531
Other Funds	\$3,667,820	\$2,187,570	\$1,480,250

Medicaid Claims

As of June 16, 2011, there were 28,081 Medicaid claims in suspense.

If you have any questions, I would be happy to address them at this time.