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HEALTHCARE EDUCATION ACTIVIST TEAM
An HHC Municipal Labor Subcommittee Project

Impact of SFY 2010-11 Executive Budget Proposals on HHC:

<u>Facility</u>	<u>Gain/Loss</u>
Bellevue:	\$ (5 million)
Coler Goldwater:	\$ 334,000
Coney Island:	\$ (2 million)
DSSM:	\$ 400,000
Elmhurst:	\$ (3.2 million)
Gouverneur:	\$ 1.1 million
Harlem:	\$ (2 million)
Jacobi:	\$ (3.5 million)
Kings County:	\$ (4.4 million)
Lincoln:	\$ (3.2 million)
Metropolitan:	\$ (1.9 million)
North Central Bronx:	\$ (1 million)
Queens:	\$ (1.9 million)
Sea View:	\$ (1.4 million)
Woodhull:	\$ (2.5 million)
HHC D&TC's	\$ (300,000)
HHC Home Care	\$ (600,000)
MetroPlus	\$ (15 million)
Sub-total	\$ (46 million)
Readmissions Penalty	\$ (22.4 million)
Total:	\$ (68.4 million)

Budget Points for HHC:

- 1. The Executive Budget could, if enacted, result in an estimated cut of \$68 million in SFY 2010-2011 for HHC's hospitals, nursing homes, neighborhood clinics home care agency and health plan.**
2. Over the past three years, Medicaid funding for HHC has been cut more than **\$240 million**.
- 3. HHC is facing a \$1 billion structural budget gap in FY 2011.**
4. HHC served **453,000** uninsured patients in 2009 at a cost of \$850 million.

5. Of all hospitals in NYC, HHC hospitals provide 66% of all uninsured clinic visits, 57% of all uninsured ambulatory surgeries and 40% of all uninsured emergency room visits.
6. HHC's nursing homes serve uninsured patients **that no one else will** at a cost of **\$30 million**.
7. It costs HHC **\$900 million** to provide **5 million** outpatient visits every year.
8. **Current State funding to HHC facilities for indigent care and outpatient care does not fully cover these costs.**
9. HHC has already closed programs and reduced staff. **Additional state cuts will mean more service reductions and more job losses.**

WHAT ACTIONS CAN LEGISLATORS TAKE?

1. Do not impose any Medicaid cuts on HHC as part of the State Fiscal Year 2010-11 budget.
2. Make permanent State authorization for \$300 million in Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) funding to HHC. DSH funds are used to cover shortfalls in Medicaid and costs of treating uninsured patients. **There is no cost to the State for doing this. The City of New York will provide the matching funds to draw down Federal funds.**
3. Support indigent care pool funding going to hospitals that provide care to uninsured patients. Support the Executive Budget proposal to cut voluntary hospital indigent care pool by \$187 million. These funds are needed by the public hospitals.
4. Eliminate the proposed nursing home regional pricing payment system.
5. Use some of the increased FMAP funds to eliminate HHC's \$1 billion gap in FY 2011 and FY 2012
6. Support the cigarette tax increase and the sugary beverage tax which would generate \$650 million in dedicated health care funding. Without these funds, additional healthcare cuts will have to be made.