Description: One in four women experiences a miscarriage. Providing office-based or outpatient care after a miscarriage can reduce the number of emergency room operations, which lowers costs and may help reduce trauma.

Through a legislative mandate, the Washington State Department of Health created the Residency Training Initiative in Miscarriage Management project. The University of Washington Family Medicine and Obstetrics and Gynecology Department developed and provides the training. All Washington State civilian family medicine residency programs have received the training. In July 2013 the department expanded the reach of this project to include all primary care clinicians (and their support staff) who provide care to women.

Mission/Purpose: Teach primary care clinicians and support staff how to integrate miscarriage management into outpatient settings, including primary care settings, urgent care clinic settings and emergency departments.

Target Population: Primary care clinicians and support staff who provide care to women. Indirect target population is women in Washington who miscarry and need medical management.

Services
- Contract for training primary care clinicians, including staff
- Project evaluation
- Work with practices and hospitals to develop and implement policies and procedures to make sure that evidence-based best practices are used

Stakeholders
- University of Washington Family Medicine and Obstetrics and Gynecology Departments
- Washington State Family Practice Residency Programs
- Planned Parenthood
- National Abortion Rights Action League
- Primary care clinicians and their support staff

Impacts from potential loss of GFS funds
The reduction would eliminate the entire program which includes the following:
- Two annual regional trainings (30-40 participants).
- Two onsite intensive skill based trainings per year (10-20 attendees). Individuals are recruited statewide.
- Provide follow up with sites to ensure solid integration of training provided. In addition, tailored interventions and implementation support is provided to two sites each year.
- Periodically train the University of Washington PA MEDEX program and the UW midwifery program and continually provide technical support (20-30 per site).
2015-17 Biennium

**Miscarriage Management Fiscal Information**

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**Recent Funding History**

- Funding for miscarriage management continues to decrease; funding currently at $193,648 for the 2015-17 biennium.
- Funding for miscarriage management continues to decrease; funding currently at $197,432 for the 2013-15 biennium.
- 2009-11 biennium $354,000 GF-S reduction each year to begin phase-out of miscarriage management