ACTIVITY/MECHANISM BUDGET SUMMARY

Department of Health and Human Services
Public Health Service - Indian Health Service
Indian Health Facilities - 75-0391-0-1-551

Equipment

	FY 2000			Increase
	FY 1999	Final	FY 2001	Or
	Actual	Appropriation	<u>Estimate</u>	Decrease
Budget Authority	\$13,243,000	\$14,330,000	\$12,229,000	-\$2,101,000

PURPOSE AND METHOD OF OPERATION

FY 2000 Base

The IHS manages approximately \$306,000,000 in laboratory, x-ray, and biomedical equipment. Accurate diagnosis and effective therapeutic procedures depend in large part on clinicians using modern and effective medical equipment to assure the best possible health outcomes. The average life expectancy for the current medical inventory is approximately 6 years depending on the intensity of use, maintenance and technical advances. In addition, this activity funds equipment for replacement clinics built by Tribes using non-IHS funding sources, replacement of ambulances, and the transfer of available excess Department of Defense medical equipment to IHS and Tribal health programs.

Funding levels for the last 5 fiscal years follows:

<u>Year</u> _	<u>Funding_</u>		
1996	\$12,975,000		
1997	\$14,505,000		
1998	\$13,005,000		
1999	\$13,243,000		
2000	\$14,330,000		

Accomplishments

(1) The equipment program distributed approximately \$10 million to existing health care facilities to replace and purchase new medical equipment; (2) A total of approximately \$3 million to equip new health care facilities being funded with non-IHS funds was apportioned to thirty tribal applicants; and (3) IHS transferred \$3.5 million in excess medical equipment and supplies from the Department of Defense through Operation TRANSAM 98 to the health programs; (4) Upgraded and or replaced approximately 1,600 medical devices for year 2000 compliance using Y2K funds; and (5) began standardization of the biomedical device management system.

RATIONALE FOR BUDGET REQUEST

 $\overline{\text{TOTAL REQUEST}}$ -- The request of \$12,229,000 is a decrease of -\$2,101,000 over the FY 2000 President's Budget Amount of \$14,330,000.

Program Decrease - -\$2,101,000

Reflects a reduction in funding associated with Y2K funding.