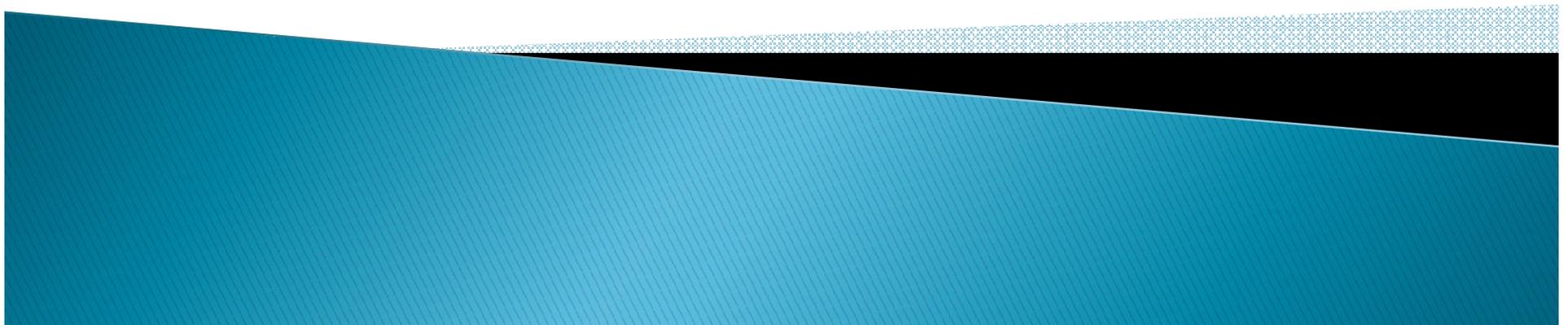


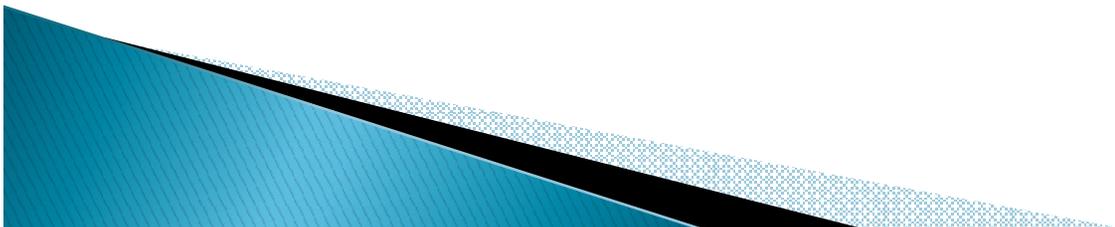
# TB Fee Increase Proposal

Cochise Health & Social Services



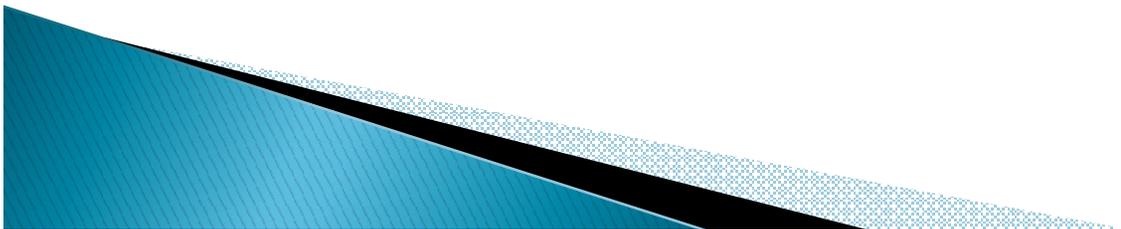
# TB Fee Increase proposal

- ▶ Mandated program
  - Services that prevent and control the spread of TB
- ▶ Includes
  - Case investigation for conversions
  - Treatment for positive cases
  - TB Skin Testing (TST)
  - Service for immigrants
- ▶ Flat funding from the state
  - Personnel & ERE - \$4200.00
  - Professional & Outside service - \$2600.00
  - Travel - \$2500.00
  - Other Operating - \$2700.00



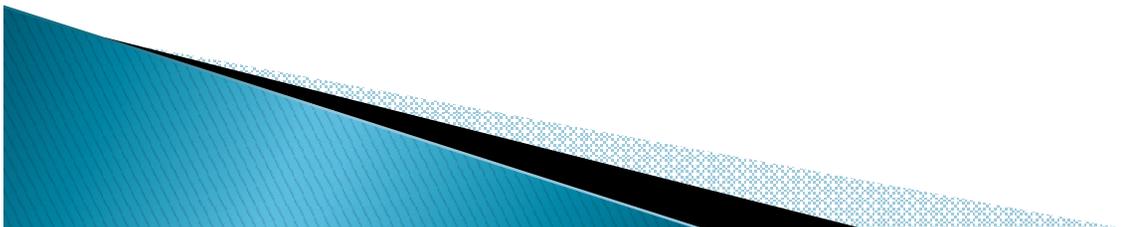
# Historical

- ▶ No increase in fees for over 15 years
  - Charges flat but costs have increased
  - Shortage of several critical drugs for treatment and screening
- ▶ Provide over 500 test on average per year
  - Represents significant staff time
- ▶ Recently experiencing increase in + conversations and + cases
  - Average 1-2 +cases and 10-15 conversions
  - This CY 6 + cases and over 10 conversions



# In Comparison to Sister Counties

- ▶ Highest Fees
  - Maricopa \$65.00
- ▶ Lowest Fees
  - Navajo \$10.00
  - Large BIA covered population
- ▶ Private Local Providers
  - High Desert Clinic \$28.00
  - CCCHCI - \$18.00



# Proposal

- ▶ Increase fees from \$15.00 to \$25.00 (General Fund)
  - ▶ Cover cost of service, increasing cost of drugs, and cost of manpower to manage the program
  - ▶ Positive impact to general fund of approximately \$5000.00
  - ▶ Project pricing would be stable over the next 5 to 10 years
  - ▶ Nursing has the ability to waive fees on a case by case basis
  - ▶ TB required by employment is reimbursed to employees
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Questions?

