

# **Special Requirements**

## **Financial Management Systems**

### **UFMS Development and Implementation**

The Unified Financial Management System (UFMS) is being implemented to replace five legacy accounting systems currently used across the Operating Divisions (Agencies). The UFMS will integrate the Department's financial management structure and provide HHS leaders with a more timely and coordinated view of critical financial management information. The system will also facilitate shared services among the Agencies and thereby, help management reduce substantially the cost of providing accounting service throughout HHS. Similarly, UFMS, by generating timely, reliable and consistent financial information, will enable the component agencies and program administrators to make more timely and informed decisions regarding their operations. UFMS has been in production for the CDC and FDA for over a year, with new functionality releases of Grants and IVR in October 2005 and eTravel in April 2006. The PSC implementation was moved to production on October 16, 2006.

### **UFMS Operations and Maintenance (O &M)**

The PSC has the responsibility for ongoing Operations and Maintenance (O & M) activities for UFMS. The scope of O & M services includes post deployment support and ongoing business and technical operations services. Post-deployment services include supplemental functional support, training, change management and technical help-desk services. On-going business operation services involve core functional support, training and communications, and help desk services. On-going technical services include the operations and maintenance of the UFMS production and development environments, on-going development support, and backup and disaster recovery services. In accordance with Federal and HHS policy, the UFMS application is under an approval to operate through February 16, 2007 by the designated Certifying Authority and Designated Approving Authority (DAA). The UFMS application will be approved for operation for 1 year after this date. After October 2007, when all OPDIVs will be operational on UFMS, then a 3-year certification will be completed. This approval to operate assures that the necessary security controls have been properly reviewed and tested as required by the Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA). The FDA requests \$5,728,719 to support these efforts in FY 2008.

### **Administrative Systems**

With the implementation of a modern accounting system, HHS has efforts underway to consolidate and implement automated administrative systems that share information electronically with UFMS. These systems will improve the business process flow within the Department, improve Funds Control and provide a state of the art integrated Financial Management System encompassing Finance, Budget, Acquisition, Travel and Property. As the UFMS project is nearing completion, the integration of administrative systems is the next step in making these processes more efficient and effective. The FDA requests \$455,212 to support these efforts in FY 2008.