

3.A. STRATEGY REQUEST
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Agency code: 529 Agency name: Health and Human Services Commission

GOAL: 3 CHIP Services

Statewide Goal/Benchmark: 3 4

OBJECTIVE: 1 CHIP Services

Service Categories:

STRATEGY: 4 CHIP Perinatal Services

Service: NA Income: NA Age: NA

CODE	DESCRIPTION	Exp 2005	Est 2006	Bud 2007	BL 2008	BL 2009
Output Measures:						
1	Average Perinate Recipient Months Per Month	0.00	0.00	67,074.00	0.00	0.00
Efficiency Measures:						
1	Average Perinate Benefit Cost Per Recipient Month	0.00	0.00	388.52	0.00	0.00
Objects of Expense:						
3001	CLIENT SERVICES	\$0	\$0	\$312,715,117	\$0	\$0
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE		\$0	\$0	\$312,715,117	\$0	\$0
Method of Financing:						
8025	TOBACCO RECEIPTS MATCH FOR CHIP	\$0	\$0	\$85,871,571	\$0	\$0
SUBTOTAL, MOF (GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS)		\$0	\$0	\$85,871,571	\$0	\$0
Method of Financing:						
555	FEDERAL FUNDS					
93.767.000	CHIP	\$0	\$0	\$226,843,546	\$0	\$0
CFDA Subtotal, Fund	555	\$0	\$0	\$226,843,546	\$0	\$0
SUBTOTAL, MOF (FEDERAL FUNDS)		\$0	\$0	\$226,843,546	\$0	\$0
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCE (INCLUDING RIDERS)					\$0	\$0
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCE (EXCLUDING RIDERS)		\$0	\$0	\$312,715,117	\$0	\$0

FULL TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS:

STRATEGY DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:

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Senate Bill 1, 79th Legislature, Regular Session, 2005, Rider 70, authorized the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) to expend funds to provide unborn children health benefit coverage under CHIP. The Goals for the Program are 1) to extend CHIP services to unborn children of non-Medicaid eligible women, and enroll the unborn child in CHIP as soon as possible and 2) expedite enrollment for immediate access to benefits. The target population is unborn children of pregnant women who are ineligible for Medicaid due to: - Income (income is greater than the 185% FPL, but at or below 200%); or - Immigration Status (and whose income is at or below 200% FPL).

The program is to be implemented in January 2007. Because of the partial implementation during the 2006-07 biennium, funding for 24 months during the 2008-09 biennium cannot be sustained in the baseline request. There is an exceptional item request to maintain the perinatal program for the 2008-09 biennium.

EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS IMPACTING STRATEGY:

Due to the funding of only 8 months of implementation during the 2006-07 biennium, this strategy is requested as an exceptional item in FY08-09.

Congress authorized an adjustment to the calculation of Texas' Medicaid matching rate for the impact of Hurricane Katrina evacuees to the State's per capita income. This adjustment, which is unknown at this time, will impact Texas' (Federal Medical Assistance Percentage) FMAP for a three-year period beginning in FY 2008. The FMAPs for both FY 2008-09 are estimates as the FMAP for FY 2008 will be determined in Fall 2006 and the FMAP for FY 2009 will be determined in Fall 2007. This will also impact the CHIP match rate.

CHIP is also subject to federal reauthorization during FY 2007.