

4.A. EXCEPTIONAL ITEM REQUEST SCHEDULE
 80th Regular Session, Agency Submission, Version 1
 Automated Budget and Evaluation System of Texas (ABEST)

DATE: **8/18/2006**
 TIME: **11:50:28PM**

Agency code: **529**

Agency name:

Health and Human Services Commission

CODE DESCRIPTION

	Item Name:	Excp 2008	Excp 2009
	Item Priority: 23		
Includes Funding for the Following Strategy or Strategies: 02-02-01 Cost Reimbursed Services			
OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:			
3001	CLIENT SERVICES	103,053,435	103,501,150
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE		\$103,053,435	\$103,501,150

METHOD OF FINANCING:

555	FEDERAL FUNDS		
93.778.000	Medical Assistance Program		
758	GR MATCH FOR MEDICAID	62,553,435	63,001,150
		40,500,000	40,500,000

DESCRIPTION / JUSTIFICATION:

This request would provide state funding to support Graduate Medical Education (GME) in teaching hospitals which operate approved medical residency training programs. These teaching hospitals provide physician training, care for the uninsured, conduct medical research, provide highly specialized services, and educate medical students, nurses and other healthcare professionals. Medicaid GME payments recognize the higher cost incurred by teaching hospitals. Compared to non-teaching hospitals, teaching hospitals treat patients with more complex conditions and provide patient care that is more intensive and technologically sophisticated.

EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS:

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