

3.A. STRATEGY REQUEST
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Output Measures:						
1	Average THSteps (EPSDT) Dental Recipient Months Per Month	2,045,080.00	2,031,739.00	2,029,653.00	2,152,821.00	2,247,674.00
2	Number of THSteps (EPSDT) Active Dentists Providing Medicaid Services	1,726.00	1,756.00	1,786.00	1,819.00	1,852.00
Efficiency Measures:						
1	Avg Cost Per THSteps (EPSDT) Dental Recipient Months Per Month	14.60	15.59	17.07	15.45	15.45
Explanatory/Input Measures:						
1	Number of THSteps (EPSDT) Dental Clients Served	1,269,499.00	1,260,879.00	1,261,054.00	1,299,588.00	1,355,895.00
Objects of Expense:						
1001	SALARIES AND WAGES	\$0	\$417,976	\$420,729	\$369,921	\$366,848
1002	OTHER PERSONNEL COSTS	\$5,320	\$12,518	\$10,893	\$11,984	\$11,892
2001	PROFESSIONAL FEES AND SERVICES	\$789	\$5,755,575	\$5,834,683	\$907,114	\$899,935
2002	FUELS AND LUBRICANTS	\$3	\$67	\$60	\$61	\$60
2003	CONSUMABLE SUPPLIES	\$346	\$3,203	\$2,228	\$2,443	\$2,418
2004	UTILITIES	\$2,017	\$19,236	\$24,119	\$18,487	\$18,311
2005	TRAVEL	\$1	\$5,126	\$5,453	\$2,617	\$2,598
2006	RENT - BUILDING	\$2,834	\$31,284	\$43,899	\$35,537	\$35,170
2007	RENT - MACHINE AND OTHER	\$499	\$4,452	\$3,109	\$4,214	\$4,199
2009	OTHER OPERATING EXPENSE	\$5,342	\$56,520	\$37,654	\$40,041	\$39,675
3001	CLIENT SERVICES	\$361,632,407	\$376,574,350	\$417,291,507	\$399,114,119	\$416,600,782
4000	GRANTS	\$3,509,928	\$588,272	\$601,834	\$4,850,818	\$4,846,240
5000	CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	\$587	\$12,097	\$376,387	\$173,017	\$171,477
TOTAL, OBJECT OF EXPENSE		\$365,160,073	\$383,480,676	\$424,652,555	\$405,530,373	\$422,999,605

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Method of Financing:						
758	GR MATCH FOR MEDICAID	\$145,142,862	\$153,764,126	\$169,837,404	\$162,321,442	\$168,475,793
8056	SUPPLEMENTAL: GR MATCH FOR MEDICAID	\$0	\$334,116	\$0	\$0	\$0
SUBTOTAL, MOF (GENERAL REVENUE FUNDS)		\$145,142,862	\$154,098,242	\$169,837,404	\$162,321,442	\$168,475,793
Method of Financing:						
555	FEDERAL FUNDS					
93.778.000	Medical Assistance Program	\$220,017,211	\$228,866,815	\$254,815,151	\$243,208,931	\$254,523,812
CFDA Subtotal, Fund 555		\$220,017,211	\$228,866,815	\$254,815,151	\$243,208,931	\$254,523,812
8059	SUPPLEMENTAL: FEDERAL FUNDS	\$0	\$515,619	\$0	\$0	\$0
93.778.000	Medical Assistance Program	\$0	\$515,619	\$0	\$0	\$0
CFDA Subtotal, Fund 8059		\$0	\$515,619	\$0	\$0	\$0
SUBTOTAL, MOF (FEDERAL FUNDS)		\$220,017,211	\$229,382,434	\$254,815,151	\$243,208,931	\$254,523,812
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCE (INCLUDING RIDERS)					\$405,530,373	\$422,999,605
TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCE (EXCLUDING RIDERS)		\$365,160,073	\$383,480,676	\$424,652,555	\$405,530,373	\$422,999,605
FULL TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS:		0.0	8.4	7.9	7.0	7.0
STRATEGY DESCRIPTION AND JUSTIFICATION:						

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Federal and State law mandates mandate (Title XIX of the Social Security Act; 42 CFR parts 440-470; Human Resources Code, Title 2, Chapters 22 and 32) the provision of periodic dental services to Medicaid children less than 21 years of age that include diagnosis, prevention, and treatment of dental disease. Both dental and orthodontic services are provided. These medical services are outside of the payments related to risk groups.

The goal of the program is to provide early intervention addressing dental problems before they become chronic, and irreversible damage occurs. Poor dental health is often the most serious health threat to otherwise healthy children. Poor dental hygiene often results in the need for expensive and avoidable treatment and hospitalizations. Children suffering from early childhood caries require expensive and painful dental care that could be managed and prevented with dental education and routine dental care.

Included in this strategy are client service payments to providers as well as the state match for the administrative functions at the Department of State Health Services (DSHS).

Projected 2008-09 expenditures in the base request reflect client service cost reductions to FY2006 levels. A 10% reduction in administrative functions in contracts, staffing, and general operating expenses is reflected.

Projected expenditures for maintaining current 2008-09 cost trends are requested as exceptional items. Provider rate restorations are also requested as exceptional items.

EXTERNAL/INTERNAL FACTORS IMPACTING STRATEGY:

Since services covered under this strategy are mandated under a State administered Medicaid program, the risk of non-compliance and federal financial participation would be jeopardized for failure to reimburse medical providers at a rate that is reasonable and adequate to ensure provider participation.

Providing an adequate level of client outreach is necessary for compliant with the Frew et al v Hawkins et al consent decree.

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.