Health and Human Services Commission

BUDGET Building Blocks for the 2004-05 Fiscal Biennium



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Texas Health and Human Services Commission FY 2003 Budget Reduction Plan

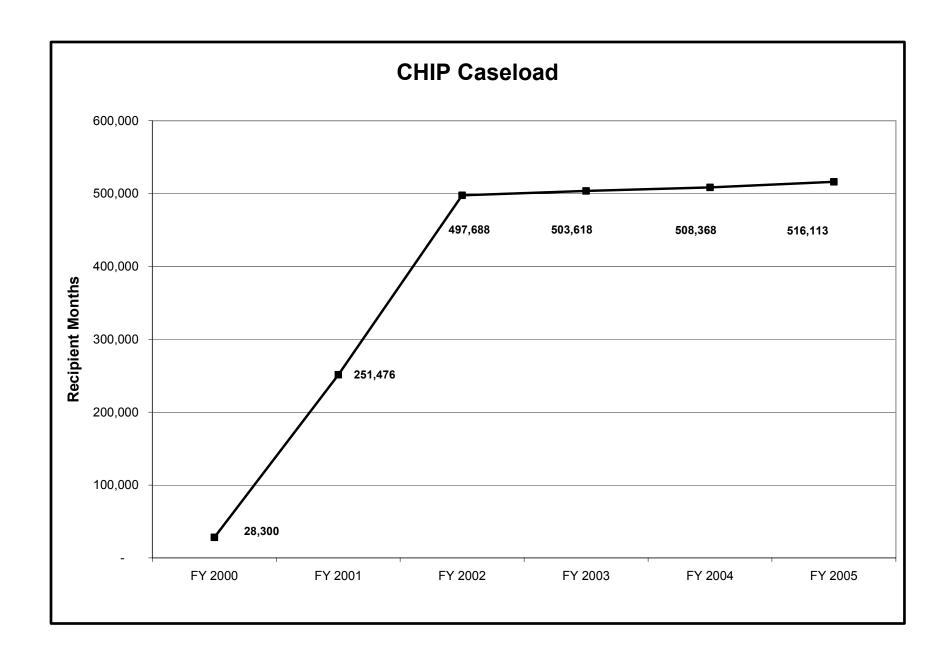
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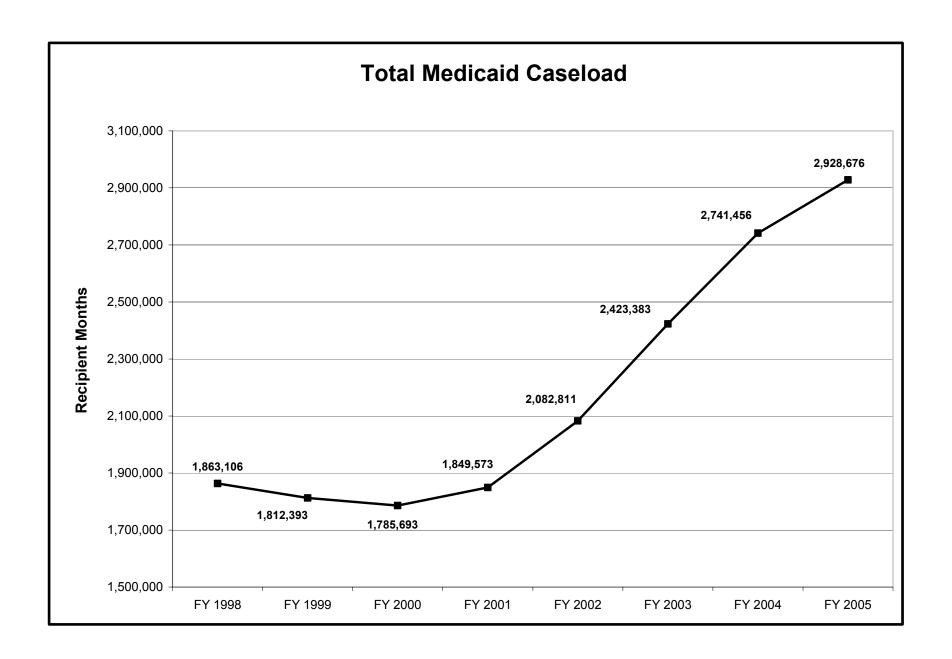
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Contracts, Professional Fees and Services, and Grants	
 Reducing the Texas Medicaid Administrative Contracts (TMAS) associated with reduced FY 2003 	
expenditure levels. Reductions include:	
- Implementing Hiring Freezes	
- Combining provider training sessions and workshops to reduce travel	
 Eliminating after hours answering services for the Texas Health Network (THN) 	
 Reducing consultant assistance with contract negotiations and with Request for Proposal (RFP) development 	
Canceling CHIP back-to-school media buys	
Reducing independent external audit expenses	
• Saving \$13 Million in unallocated Telecommunications Infrastructure Fund (TIF) grants (awarded \$7	
million)	\$ 17,433,585
Salary Savings	
Salary lapses	
Hiring freeze	
Eliminated 26 budgeted positions	\$ 1,167,364
Unexpended Balances / Lapses	\$ 335,349
Delaying Capital Budget / IT Projects	
Deferred LAN/WAN improvement purchases	
Deferred desktop computer purchases and upgrades	\$ 177,500
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Total	\$ 19,113,798

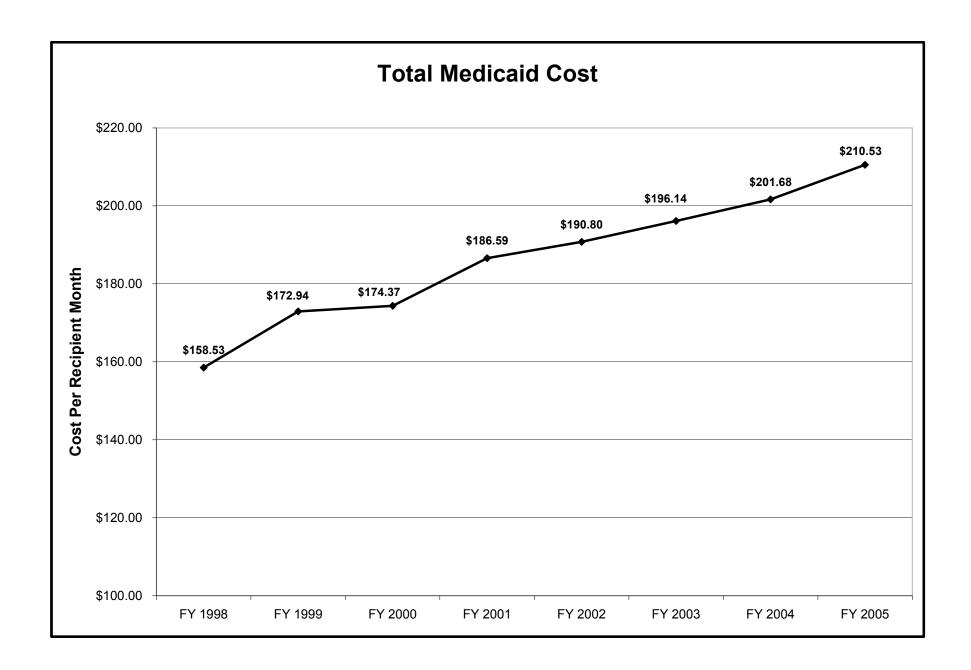
FY 2003 HHS GR Budget Reduction Plan by Agency

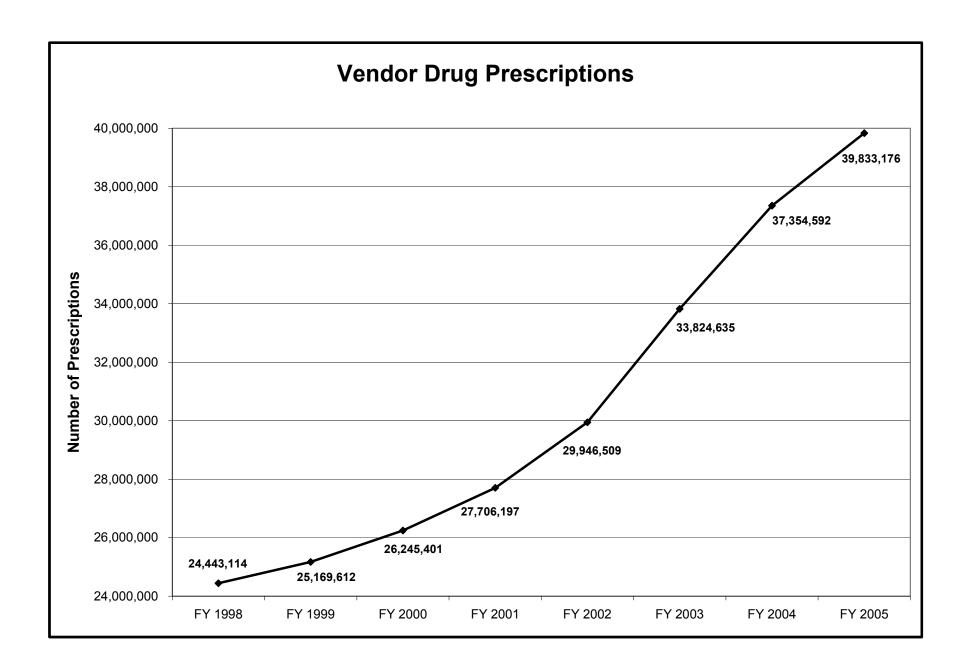
Agency	FY 2003 GR Budget	FY 2003 HHS GR Plan	% Reduction
Texas Commission for the Blind (TCB)	\$13,568,763	\$726,434	5.4%
Texas Department of Human Services (DHS)	\$1,756,846,783	137,495,529	7.8%
Texas Rehabilitation Commission (TRC)	\$54,321,629	\$2,610,908	4.8%
Texas Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (TCDHH)	\$1,036,610	\$66,000	6.4%
Texas Department on Aging (TDoA)	\$7,735,145	\$422,515	5.5%
Texas Department of Health (TDH)	\$573,003,722	\$70,902,824	12.4%
Texas Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse (TCADA)	\$27,387,971	\$2,730,000	10.0%
Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC)	\$59,356,681	\$19,113,798	32.2%
Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services (PRS)	\$289,091,661	\$13,789,024	4.8%
Interagency Council on Early Childhood Intervention (ECI)	\$36,204,940	\$3,046,554	8.4%
Texas Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation (MHMR)	\$1,183,443,892	\$82,930,297	7.0%
Totals	\$4,001,997,797	333,833,883	8.3%

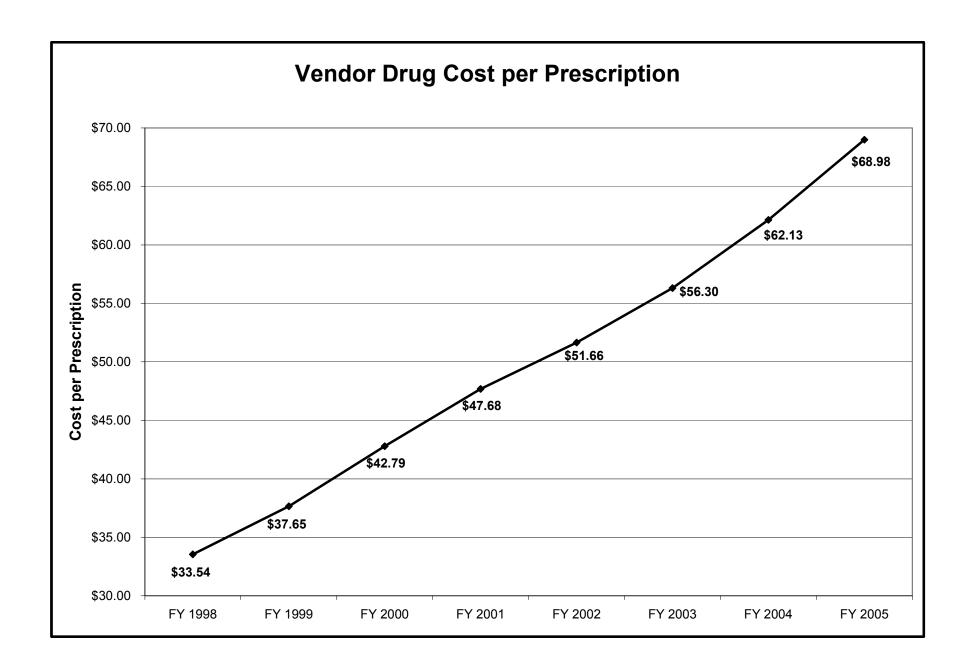
^{*} FY03 HHS GR Plan includes both GR budget reductions and GR revenue opportunities











HHSC Approach to Developing Budget Building Blocks for the 2004-05 Fiscal Biennium

The "Building Blocks" submission prepared in response to Legislative Budget Board instruction is structured to provide key decision-making information at various levels of funding. Separate building blocks are presented for: 1) the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) and for 2) Medicaid (acute care) and other HHSC programs. CHIP building blocks are arrayed among two tiers beginning with the Initial General Revenue allocation. Medicaid/other HHSC building blocks are distributed among five tiers, also beginning with the Initial General Revenue allocation. Four fundamental questions are answered at each tier:

- (1) Which eligible populations are served?
- (2) What services would be available?
- (3) How many eligible clients would receive services?
- (4) What is the cost of delivering the services to these clients?

Cost-Saving Options

Implementing new cost-saving initiatives, continuing existing cost containment measures and modifying certain state laws and policies would significantly further efforts to contain the scope and cost of health care programs.

The cost and caseload estimates presented here reflect the impact of the cost-saving options identified below:

Contain Costs

- Reduce administrative and service delivery costs
- Limit coverage of optional services
- Strengthen utilization controls
 - Implement a Preferred Drug List (PDL)
 - Increase CHIP cost-sharing and co-payment levels
 - Establish a comprehensive disease management program (savings not estimated)
- Maintain FY 2002-03 cost containment initiatives (Rider 33)
 - Competitive bidding and pricing for eyeglasses
 - Competitive bidding and pricing for medical equipment and supplies
 - Hospital cost savings
 - Vendor drug savings through changes to the reimbursement formula, sliding-scale co-payments, increased utilization review and 34-day supply on prescriptions.

Manage Caseloads

- Prioritize mandatory populations
- Limit eligibility period not to exceed six months
- Conduct eligibility interview at initial certification
- Verify assets
- Establish a 90-day waiting period for enrollment in CHIP (Tier 2)

CHIP and Maintenance of Effort (MOE) Medicaid Clients

The portion of the HHSC budget attributable to CHIP and maintenance of effort (MOE) Medicaid clients is presented in the two Tiers described below. Each Tier contains multiple building blocks.

Tier 1

State Share: \$396.0 Million Federal Funds: \$704.9 Million CHIP clients up to 150 percent of FPL, maintenance of effort Medicaid clients, and services that can be financed with this funding level are included in this block.

Tier 2

State Share: \$611.4 Million Federal Funds: \$1,009.7 Million

This block would continue to fund services for all populations covered under amended policies.

CHIP clients and maintenance of effort Medicaid clients that can be financed with this funding level are included in this block

\$396.0 Million State Share

Building Blocks

•	CHIP at or below 150 percent of FPL	\$229.8 million state share
•	CHIP general revenue-funded programs at or below 150 percent of FPL	\$ 50.2 million state share
•	Medicaid Maintenance of Effort	\$116.0 million state share

Includes

Client Populations

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CHIP	FY 2004	FY 2005
CHIP children at or below 150 percent of FPL	281,732250,709	
Children at or below 150 percent of FPL who are eligible for CHIP general revenue-funded programs including:		
- Legal Immigrants	9,326	8,584
- Children of School Employees	5,799	4,883
- SKIP	3,890	4,279

	<u>Caseload</u>	
Medicaid Maintenance of Effort	FY 2004	FY 2005
 Pregnant Women under age 19 above 133 percent through 185 percent of FPL 	2,056	2,138
 Infants above 133 percent through 185 percent of FPL 	34,465	35,762
- Medically Needy children at or below 24 percent of FPL	1,921	2,269
Summary of Clients Served		
Total Medicaid	38,442	40,169
Total CHIP	282,135	251,202

Services

- Inpatient and outpatient hospital and physician services for Medicaid and CHIP
- Drugs for Medicaid and CHIP

Provider Reimbursement

- CHIP provider rates at 100 percent of the FY 2003 reimbursement level
- Medicaid provider rates at 67 percent of the FY 2003 provider reimbursement level

Savings Due to Cost Containment Initiatives

• PDL with prior authorization \$1.4 million GR biennial

• Increase cost-sharing requirements for CHIP to \$14 per month \$2.3 million GR biennial

Funding for services for all populations under amended policies

\$611.4 Million State Share

Building Blocks

•	CHIP children above 150 percent through 185 percent of FPL	\$ 96.2 million state share
•	CHIP children above 185 percent through 200 percent of FPL	\$ 25.9 million state share
•	CHIP state share programs above 150 percent through 185 percent of FPL	\$ 33.2 million state share
•	CHIP state share programs above 185 percent through 200 percent of FPL	\$26.6 million state share
•	CHIP rate increases	\$26.6 million state share
•	Medicaid rate increases	\$ 6.9 million state share

Includes		Caseload		
Client	Populations		FY 2004	FY 2005
CHIP				
- (CHIP children at or below 150 percent of FPL		281,732	250,709
	Children at or below 150 percent of FPL who general revenue-funded programs	are eligible for CHIP	19,015	17,746
	Children above 150 percent through 200 p for CHIP or CHIP general revenue-funded p		110,523	98,766
Medicaid maintenance of effort				
- F	Pregnant Women under age 19 above 133 pe	ercent through 185 percent of FPL	2,056	2,138
- I	nfants above 133 percent through 185 perce	nt of FPL	34,465	35,762
- 1	Medically Needy children at or below 24 percentage	ent of FPL	1,921	2,269
Summary of Clients Served				
	Total Medicaid	No Change from Tier 1	38,442	40,169
	CHIP	Tier 1	282,135	231,202
	Total CHIP	<u>Tier 2 Addition</u>	<u>106,633</u> 388,768	<u>94,487</u> 345,684

Services

- Inpatient and outpatient hospital and physician services for Medicaid and CHIP
- Drugs for Medicaid and CHIP

Provider Reimbursement

- CHIP provider rates at the FY 2003 reimbursement level adjusted for inflation
- Medicaid provider rates at FY 2003 reimbursement levels adjusted for inflation with an additional two percent for physicians, professional services, and outpatient hospitals

Savings Due to Cost Containment Initiatives

PDL with prior authorization	\$ 1.9 million GR biennial
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- 90-day waiting period for CHIP enrollment \$42.4 million GR biennial
- Increase cost-sharing for CHIP to federal maximum
 \$61.6 million GR biennial

Medicaid Acute Care and Other HHSC Programs

The portion of the HHSC budget attributable to Medicaid and programs other than CHIP is presented in the five Tiers described below. Each Tier contains multiple building blocks.

Tier 1 Initial General Revenue GR: \$5.2 Billion FF: \$8.2 Billion	This tier covers federally mandated clients and services and only includes optional services that are a lower cost alternative to federally mandated services.
Tier 2 GR: \$ 6.7 Billion FF: \$10.4 Billion	This tier includes options for restoring provider rates up to the FY 2003 reimbursement level.
Tier 3 GR: \$ 7.7 Billion FF: \$11.9 Billion	This tier would continue current policy for priority populations and services that are not funded in tier 1.
Tier 4 GR: \$ 8.3 Billion FF: \$12.8 Billion	This block would continue to fund services for all populations currently covered.
Tier 5 GR: \$ 8.4 Billion	This block selects key exceptional items from the previously submitted Legislative Appropriations Request.

FF: \$13.0 Billion

This tier covers federally mandated clients and services and only includes optional services that are a lower cost alternative to federally mandated services.

\$5.2 Billion General Revenue

Building Blocks

•	Premiums: Children and Medically Needy	\$1,488.2 million GR
•	Premiums: Aged and Disabled	\$1,196.1 million GR
•	Premiums: TANF Adults and Children	\$ 386.9 million GR
•	Premiums: Pregnant Women	\$ 324.8 million GR
•	Medicaid Vendor Drugs	\$ 776.7 million GR
•	EPSDT Comprehensive Care	\$ 171.9 million GR
•	Cost Reimbursed Services	\$ 301.4 million GR
•	Medicare Payments	\$ 516.5 million GR
•	Various Administrative costs include:	\$ 24.3 million GR
	- State Medicaid Office	
	- Investigations and Enforcement	

- Rate Setting
- System Integration

Includes	Case	<u>eload</u>
Client Populations	FY 2004	FY 2005
 Pregnant Women at or below 133 percent of the federal poverty level (FPL) 	90,824	94,457
Children ages 0-5 at or below 133 percent of FPL	647,711	676,580
Children ages 6-18 at or below 100 percent of FPL	987,931	1,031,423
 Adults with children at or below the TANF income limit (about 17 percent of FPL) including those eligible for transitional coverage 	134,638	145,479
 Aged, Blind and Disabled clients at or below 100 percent of SSI (SSI is about 73 percent of FPL) 	500,310	509,638
Summary of Clients Served		
Adults	646,208	667,795
Children	<u>1,715,205</u>	<u>1,789,783</u>
Total Clients	2,361,413	2,457,578

Services

Medicaid

- Inpatient and outpatient hospital and physician services for eligible clients to the extent required by federal law, or to provide a lower cost alternative to a required service (e.g., ambulatory surgery centers).
- Drugs for pregnant women
- Drugs for children
- Drugs for Aged, Blind and Disabled clients at or below 100 percent of SSI who are in nursing homes
- Services provided by Federally-Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs)
- Part A/B Medicare payments
- Medicare co-insurance and deductibles for clients above SSI through 100 percent of FPL
- Emergency services per federal mandates

Other

HIPAA compliance

Provider Reimbursement

• Provider rates at 67 percent of the FY 2003 reimbursement level

Savings Due to Cost Containment Initiatives at this Tier

•	PDL with prior authorization	\$64.7 million GR biennial
•	Vision care	\$.08 million GR biennial
•	Competitive pricing for medical supplies	\$.64 million GR biennial
•	Hospital cost savings	\$45 million GR biennial
•	Vendor Drug	\$53.5 million GR biennial

This tier restores provider rates to the FY 2003 reimbursement level.

\$6.7 Billion General Revenue

Building Blocks

•	Medicaid provider rates at approximately 80 percent of FY 2003 reimbursement level	\$ 608.6 million GR biennial
•	Medicaid provider rates at approximately 90 percent of FY 2003 reimbursement level	\$1,076.8 million GR biennial
•	Medicaid provider rates at 100 percent of FY 2003 reimbursement level	\$1,538.4 million GR biennial

Includes

	<u>Casel</u>	<u>oad</u>
Client Populations	FY 2004	FY 2005
 Pregnant Women at or below 133 percent of FPL 	90,824	94,457
Children ages 0-5 at or below 133 percent of FPL	647,711	676,580
Children ages 6-18 at or below 100 percent of FPL	987,931	1,031,423
 Adults with children at or below the TANF income limit (about 17 percent of FPL) including those eligible for transitional coverage 	134,638	145,479
 Aged, Blind and Disabled clients at or below 100 percent of SSI (SSI is about 73 percent of FPL) 	500,310	509,638

Summary of Clients Served

Caseload

		<u>FY 2004</u>	<u>FY 2005</u>
Adults	No change from Tier 1	646,208	667,795
Children	No change from Tier 1	<u>1,715,205</u>	1,789,783
Total Clients	No change from Tier 1	2,361,413	2,457,578

Services

Medicaid

- Inpatient and outpatient hospital and physician services for eligible clients to the extent required by federal law, or to provide a lower cost alternative to a required service (e.g., ambulatory surgery centers)
- Drugs for Pregnant Women
- Drugs for children
- Drugs for Aged, Blind and Disabled clients at or below 100 percent of SSI who are in nursing homes
- Services provided by Federally-Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs)
- Part A/B Medicare payments
- Medicare co-insurance and deductibles for clients above SSI through 100 percent of FPL
- Emergency services per federal mandates

Other

• HIPAA compliance

Provider Reimbursement

• Provider rates at **100 percent** of FY 2003 reimbursement level

Savings Due to Cost Containment Initiatives

• PDL with prior authorization

\$72.4 million GR biennial

This block would continue current policy for priority populations and services not already funded.

\$7.7 Billion General Revenue

Building Blocks

•	Breast and cervical cancer services	\$2.5 million GR biennial
•	Drugs for Community-Based Alternatives (CBA) and Community Living Assistance and Support Services (CLASS) under 100 percent SSI	\$72.1 million GR biennial
•	Drugs for Aged, Blind and Disabled clients (below 100) percent of SSI but not on a waiver or in a nursing home	\$724.4 million GR biennial
•	Drugs for all Aged, Blind and Disabled clients above 100 percent through 200 percent of SSI	\$158.3 million GR biennial

Includes <u>Caseload</u>

Client Populations		FY 2004	FY 2005	
 Pregnant Women at or below 133 percent of FPL 		90,824	94,457	
 Children ages 0-5 at or below 133 percent of FPL 		647,711	676,580	
 Children ages 6-18 at or below 100 percent of FPL 		987,931	1,031,423	
 Adults with children at or below the TANF income limit (about of FPL) including those eligible for transitional coverage 	17 percent	134,638	145,579	
 Aged, Blind and Disabled clients at or below 100 percent of S about 73 percent of FPL.) 	SSI (SSI is	500,310	509,638	
Aged, Blind and Disabled clients above 100 percent through	ugh 200 percent of SSI	33,658	33,887	
Clients eligible for Breast and Cervical Cancer Program (BCCP) services	366	366	
Summary of Clients Served				
Adults	Tier 2	646,208	667,795	
	Tier 3 Addition	<u>33,658</u>	<u>33,887</u>	
Total Adults	Tier 3 Total	679,866	701,682	
Children	No change from Tier 2	<u>1,715,205</u>	<u>1,789,783</u>	
Total Clients	No change from Tier 2	2,395,071	2,491,465	

Services

Medicaid

- Inpatient and outpatient hospital and physician services for eligible clients to extent required by federal law, or provide lower cost alternative to required minimum (e.g., ambulatory surgery centers)
- Drugs for pregnant women
- Drugs for children
- Drugs for Aged, Blind and Disabled clients at or below 100 percent of SSI who are in nursing homes
- Services provided by FQHCs
- Part A/B Medicare payments
- Medicare co-insurance and deductibles for clients above SSI through 100 percent of FPL
- Emergency services per federal mandates
- Breast and cervical cancer services
- Drugs for all Aged, Blind and Disabled clients at or below 200 percent of SSI
- Drugs for adults with children at or below TANF income limit (three prescription limit)

Other

- HIPAA compliance
- Guardianship Alliance

- 211 Information and Referral Network
- Family-Based Alternatives
- Permanency Planning
- Community Resource Coordination Groups (CRCGs)
- Texas Integrated Funding Initiative (TIFI)
- The Children's Bureau

Provider Reimbursement

• Provider rates at 100 percent of FY 2003 reimbursement level

Savings Due to Cost Containment Initiatives at this Tier

•	PDL with prior authorization	\$146.3 million GR biennial
•	Three prescription savings	\$ 41.1 million GR biennial
•	Vision care	\$.2 million GR biennial
•	Competitive pricing for medical supplies	\$1.6 million GR biennial
•	Hospital cost savings	\$45 million GR biennial
•	Vendor Drug	\$120.4 million GR biennial

This block would continue to fund services for all populations covered under amended policies.

\$8.3 Billion General Revenue

Building Blocks

•	Medically Needy adults above 17 percent through 24 percent of FPL	\$ 63.4 million GR biennial
•	Pregnant Women 19 years and older above 133 percent through 185 percent of FPL	\$ 90.0 million GR biennial
•	Aged, Blind and Disabled clients above 200 percent through 300 percent of SSI	\$ 40.7 million GR biennial
•	Eyeglasses and hearing aids	\$ 9.2 million GR biennial
•	Podiatrists, chiropractics and counselors/psychologists	\$ 9.5 million GR biennial
•	GME payments, SHARS, TB clinics	\$ 44.8 million GR biennial
•	Unlimited prescriptions for TANF adults and Aged, Blind and Disabled adults in managed care waiver	\$ 41.1 million GR biennial
•	Adjust FY 2003 reimbursement levels for inflation	\$229.0 million GR biennial

Includes <u>Caseload</u>

Client Populations	FY 2004	FY 2005
Pregnant Women at or below 133 percent of FPL	90,824	94,457
Children ages 0-5 at or below 133 percent of FPL	647,711	676,580
Children ages 6-18 at or below 100 percent of FPL	987,931	1,031,423
 Adults with children at or below the TANF income limit (about 17 percent of FPL) including those eligible for transitional coverage 	134,638	145,579
 Aged, Blind and Disabled clients at or below 200 percent of SSI (SSI is about 73 percent of FPL) 	500,310	509,638
Clients eligible for Breast and Cervical Cancer Program (BCCP) services	366	366
Medically needy adults above 17 percent through 24 percent of FPL	8,472	9,959
 Pregnant Women 19-years and older above 133 percent through 185 percent of FPL 	16,547	17,209
Aged, Blind and Disabled clients above 200 percent through 300 percent of SSI	8,641	8,702

Caseload

Summary of Clients Served		FY 2004	FY 2005
Adults	Tier 3	679,472	701,288
	Tier 4 addition	<u>33,660</u>	<u>35,870</u>
Total Adults	Tier 4 total	713,132	737,158
Children	No change from Tier 3	<u>1,715,205</u>	<u>1,789,783</u>
Total Clients	Tier 4 Total	2,428,337	2,526,941

Services

Medicaid

- Inpatient and outpatient hospital and physician services for eligible clients to extent required by federal law, or provide lower cost alternative to required minimum (e.g., ambulatory surgery centers)
- Drugs for pregnant women
- Drugs for children
- Drugs for Aged, Blind and Disabled clients at or below 200 percent of SSI
- Services provided by FQHCs
- Part A/B Medicare payments
- Medicare co-insurance and deductibles for clients above SSI through 100 percent of FPL
- Emergency services per federal mandates
- Breast and cervical cancer services
- Drugs for adults with children below TANF income limit

- Drugs for all Aged, Blind and Disabled clients above 200 percent SSI through 300 percent SSI
- Eyeglasses and hearing aids for Medicaid adults
- Podiatrists, chiropractics and counselors/psychologists
- Graduate Medical Education (GME) payments
- School Health Related Services (SHARS)
- TB clinics
- Unlimited prescriptions for TANF adults and Aged, Blind & Disabled Adults on managed care waivers.

Other

- HIPAA compliance
- Guardianship Alliance
- 211 Information and Referral Network
- Family-based Alternatives
- Permanency Planning
- Community Resource Coordination Groups (CRCGs)

- Texas Integrated Funding Initiative (TIFI)
- The Children's Bureau

Provider Reimbursement

• Medicaid provider rates at 100 percent of FY 2003 reimbursement level adjusted for inflation

Savings Due to Cost Containment Initiatives at this Tier

•	PDL with prior authorization	\$150.8 million GR biennial
•	Vision	\$.8 million GR biennial
•	Competitive pricing	\$ 6.4 million GR biennial
•	Hospital costs	\$ 45 million GR biennial
•	Vendor Drug	\$128.7 million GR biennial

This tier selects key exceptional items from the previously submitted Legislative Appropriations Request.

\$8.4 Billion General Revenue

Building Blocks

•	Promoting independence	\$5.1 million GR biennial
•	Complete HHSAS	\$5.4 million GR biennial
•	Complete 211 implementation	\$12.8 million GR biennial
•	Increase rates by two percent	\$95.0 million GR biennial

Includes	Case	<u>load</u>
Client Populations	FY 2004	FY 2005
 Pregnant Women at or below 133 percent of FPL 	90,824	94,457
 Children ages 0-5 at or below 133 percent of FPL 	647,711	676,580
 Children ages 6-18 at or below 100 percent of FPL 	987,931	1,031,423
 Adults with children at or below the TANF income limit (about 17 percent of FPL) including those eligible for transitional coverage 	134,638	145,579

	FY 2004	FY 2005
 Aged, Blind and Disabled clients at or below 200 percent of SSI (SSI is about 73 percent of FPL) 	500,310	509,638
Clients eligible for Breast and Cervical Cancer Program (BCCP) services	366	366
 Medically needy adults above 17 percent through 24 percent of FPL 	8,472	9,959
 Pregnant Women 19-years and older above 133 percent through 185 percent of FPL 	16,547	17,209
 Aged, Blind and Disabled clients above 200 percent through 300 percent of SSI 	8,641	8,702

Summary of Clients Served

Adults	Tier 5 (no change from Tier 4	713,132	737,158
Children	Tier 5 (no change from Tier 4	<u>1,715,205</u>	1 <u>,789,783</u>
Total Clients	Tier 5 (no change from Tier 4	2,428,337	2,526,941

Services

Medicaid

- Inpatient and outpatient hospital and physician services for eligible clients to extent required by federal law, or provide lower cost alternative to required minimum (e.g., ambulatory surgery centers)
- Drugs for pregnant women
- Drugs for children
- Drugs for Aged, Blind and Disabled clients at or below 300 percent of SSI

- Drugs for adults with children below TANF income limit
- Unlimited prescriptions for TANF Adults and Blind & Disabled Adults on managed care waivers
- Services provided by FQHCs
- Part A/B Medicare payments
- Medicare co-insurance and deductibles for clients between SSI and 100 percent of FPL
- Emergency services per federal mandates
- Breast and cervical cancer services
- Eyeglasses and hearing aids for Medicaid adults
- Podiatrists, Chiropractics and Counselors/Psychologists
- Graduate Medical Education (GME) payments
- School Health Related Services (SHARS)
- TB clinics

Other

- HIPAA compliance
- Guardianship Alliance
- 211 Information and Referral Network
- Family-based Alternatives

- Permanency Planning
- Community Resource Coordination Groups (CRCGs)
- Texas Integrated Funding Initiative (TIFI)
- The Children's Bureau
- Provide housing, transportation, and other support services for individuals who are leaving institutions or who are at risk of institutionalization (Promoting Independence initiative)
- Complete implementation of Health and Human Services Administrative System (HHSAS)
- Complete statewide implementation of 211 Information and Referral System

Provider Reimbursement

• FY 2003 reimbursement levels adjusted for inflation with an additional two percent for physician, professional service, and outpatient hospitals

Savings Due to Cost Containment Initiatives

PDL with prior authorization	\$150.8 million GR biennial
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Vision \$.8 million GR biennial

• Competitive pricing \$ 6.4 million GR biennial

Hospital costs \$ 45 million GR biennial

Vendor Drug \$128.7 million GR biennial