



Office of the Governor Division of Medicaid

Medicaid Appropriations
Sub-Committee Report
January 23, 2007



med•ic•aid \ˈmed-i-,kad \n, [medical help] (1965):

a program of medical aid designed
for those unable to afford regular medical service
and financed by the state and federal
governments

Medicaid is a national health care program, administered individually by states, which provides funding to ensure the availability of medical services to low-income people. It was created in 1965 through Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act and was enacted in Mississippi by the state Legislature in December of 1969.

In Mississippi, the Medicaid program is administered by the Office of the Governor, Division of Medicaid, by authority of Section 43-13-101 et seq. of the Mississippi Code of 1972, as amended.

1. Brief history of the Medicaid Program in Mississippi

a. Year instituted

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To: Public Health and

Welfare; Appropriations

MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION 2002

By: Representative Holland

HOUSE BILL NO. 714

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 43-13-107, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO CREATE THE MISSISSIPPI MEDICAID COMMISSION TO ADMINISTER THE
3 MEDICAID PROGRAM; TO PROVIDE FOR THE MEMBERSHIP AND APPOINTMENT OF
4 THE COMMISSION; TO PROVIDE THAT THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
5 COMMISSION SHALL BE APPOINTED BY THE COMMISSION; TO ABOLISH THE
6 DIVISION OF MEDICAID AND TRANSFER THE POWERS, DUTIES, PROPERTY AND
7 EMPLOYEES OF THE DIVISION TO THE MEDICAID COMMISSION; TO AMEND
8 SECTIONS 43-13-103, 43-13-105, 43-13-109, 43-13-111, 43-13-113,
9 43-13-115, 43-13-115.1, 43-13-116, 43-13-117, 43-13-118,
10 43-13-120, 43-13-121, 43-13-122, 43-13-123, 43-13-125, 43-13-127,
11 43-13-137 AND 43-13-139, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972, TO CONFORM TO
12 THE PRECEDING PROVISION; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

1. Brief history of the Medicaid Program in Mississippi

a. Year instituted

Medicaid is a program of medical assistance administered through a federal/state partnership under Title XIX of the Social Security Act. Medicaid was added to the Social Security Act of 1935 in 1965 by Congress. Mississippi began participation in the Medicaid program on January 1, 1970. Originally, the Mississippi Medicaid Program was administered by the Mississippi Medicaid Commission which was established by the Legislature during a 1969 Extra-ordinary session.

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The program began with nine employees of the Medicaid agency, paid for 12 kinds of medical services, and covered about 200,000 Mississippians. During the first 6 months of the program, Medicaid expenditures totaled \$8.2 million dollars. The federal match for the Mississippi Medicaid program was 83%, the highest in the nation.

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On November 1, 1970, the Director of the Mississippi Medicaid Commission, Dr. Alton B. Cobb reported to the Governor and to the members of the legislature, “There are approximately 200,000 persons in Mississippi eligible for Medicaid benefits.” That was for the six month start-up period of January 1, through June 30 of that year. According to his first annual report, “...a total of \$8,249,089 was expended for provider services. Of that amount the Federal share was \$6,846,744; the State share was \$1,399,701; and \$2,644 were funds collected from ‘third party sources’.”

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He also reported, *“No program of the size and complexity of the Medicaid program can be initiated without many problems in claims administration and coordination of benefits with providers and recipients.”*

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In his second annual report, Dr. Cobb reported an increase of 18,505 beneficiaries over the previous year. The Federal contribution to the program then was 81.9%.

The total Federal/State program cost amounted to \$38,126,339 for the first full year (SFY1971).

(The total Federal/State program cost amounted to \$4,547,150,932 for SFY 2006.)

1. Brief history of the Medicaid Program in Mississippi

b. Medicaid Advisory Board (Committee)

43-13-107 (3)

- (a) There is established a Medical Care Advisory Committee, which shall be the committee that is required by federal regulation to advise the Division of Medicaid about health and medical care services.
- (b) The advisory committee shall consist of not less than eleven (11) members, as follows:
 - (i) The Governor shall appoint five (5) members, one (1) from each congressional district and one (1) from the state at large;
 - (ii) The Lieutenant Governor shall appoint three (3) members, one (1) from each Supreme Court district;
 - (iii) The Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint three (3) members, one (1) from each Supreme Court district.

All members appointed under this paragraph shall either be health care providers or consumers of health care services. One (1) member appointed by each of the appointing authorities shall be a board certified physician.

MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE, 2004 Regular Session

By: Senator(s) Nunnelee

1. Brief history of the Medicaid Program in Mississippi

c. Governor's Office of Medicaid

In 1984, the Legislature moved the administration of the Medicaid program from the Medicaid Commission to a state agency within the Governor's Office. At that time, it became the Division of Medicaid, Office of the Governor, State of Mississippi.

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d. History of Appropriations from General Funds

	State Appropriated Funds	Deficit Appropriations
SFY90 Actual	\$126,156,921	\$ 3,500,000
SFY91 Actual	\$153,211,442	\$10,100,000
SFY92 Actual	\$160,000,000	\$30,000,000
SFY93 Actual	\$165,000,000	\$0
SFY94 Actual	\$171,762,681	\$0
SFY95 Actual	\$152,720,706	\$0
SFY96 Actual	\$206,016,268	\$0
SFY97 Actual	\$208,960,436	\$0
SFY98 Actual	\$214,772,414	\$0
SFY99 Actual	\$204,370,198	\$0
SFY00 Actual	\$195,269,945	\$0
SFY01 Actual	\$220,674,950	\$0
SFY02 Actual	\$249,486,308	\$ 9,873,070
SFY03 Actual	\$246,826,757	\$0
SFY04 Actual	\$257,955,184	\$0
SFY05 Actual	\$247,025,158	\$0
SFY06 Actual	\$355,819,844	\$0

1. Brief history of the Medicaid Program in Mississippi

e. Number of people served

NOTE: The yearly unduplicated count includes every individual who was ever on file during the fiscal year. Since "closed" or prior periods of eligibility are frequently added to the MMIS, the unduplicated count varies from the monthly count.

Source of Eligibility	Category of Eligibility	Apr-05	Dec-05	Jun-06	Dec-06	
Social Security Adm. Determines Eligibility	SSI	122,498	122,751	122,415	121,687	The SSI population has remained stable over the past 21 months.
DOM Regional Offices Determines Eligibility	Aged & Disabled	96,285	99,579	98,810	94,431	The 15% decline in the number of individuals certified by the Medicaid Regional Offices is attributed to: 1) the required supervisory review of the eligibility determination made on each case, and 2) the required proofs of income and non-financial factors (age, relationship, citizenship). Most cases have undergone at least one supervisory review of eligibility.
	Low Income Adults	48,264	40,413	35,481	31,823	
	Children Under Age 19	300,930	271,631	258,422	248,694	
	Pregnant Women	12,236	12,939	14,715	14,430	
	CHIP	69,936	64,543	60,457	60,190	
Dept of Human Services Determines Eligibility	Foster Care & Adoption Assistance	3,453	3,762	4,215	4,293	Children qualifying on the basis of being in foster care or adoption assistance has remained stable.

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DOM-Maternal Child Health Determines Eligibility	Family Planning	37,280	45,981	43,406	44,343	Family Planning waiver participants have increased but the only benefit provided is family planning services.
Provider Generated ID's	K-Baby ID's	19,563	10,675	5,596	5,632	The need for K-baby ID's has decreased since the RO's are adding newborns & issuing permanent ID's quickly.
		710,445	672,274	643,517	625,523	

source: RB-410 published monthly

The average monthly enrollment varies from the actual monthly since it averages enrollment over the last 12 months.

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2. Federal programs

a. Federal laws and regulations

Medicaid is a program of medical assistance funded jointly by the federal and state governments. It was originally authorized under Title XIX of the federal Social Security Act of 1965 and signed into law by President Lyndon B. Johnson on July 30, 1965.

2. Federal programs

a. Federal laws and regulations

The signing ceremony was held in Independence, Missouri, to honor President Harry S. Truman who had demonstrated leadership in proposing health care coverage during his presidency. President Johnson signed the bill with President Truman seated beside him. Since then, the authorizing federal law has been amended many times through the years as requirements regarding eligibility and services have changed.

2. Federal programs

b. CMS Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

The federal agency charged with oversight of the Medicaid program is the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare Services (“CMS”) which is an administrative agency under the Department of Health and Human Services. The program was originally administered by the Social and Rehabilitative Service Administration under the Department of Health Education and Welfare (“HEW”). In 1977, the Health Care Financing Administration (“HCFA”) was established to administer both the Medicare and Medicaid programs. In 2001, HCFA was changed to CMS.

2. Federal programs

b. CMS Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services

The headquarters for CMS is located in Baltimore, Maryland.

Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
7500 Security Boulevard
Baltimore, Maryland 21244-1850

2. Federal programs

c. The State Plan

In order to receive federal matching funds for the operation of the Medicaid program, the state must evidence its agreement to comply with applicable federal laws and regulations by submitting a State Plan for Medical Assistance. The State Plan is the state's contractual agreement with the federal government to operate the Medicaid program. It describes how the state will administer its program in compliance with federal laws and regulations, as well as policy directives from CMS.

2. Federal programs

d. Oversight of federal Regional Offices in Atlanta

Ten CMS Regional Offices serve ten geographic regions and have the primary responsibility for providing oversight and assistance for states and territories within its respective region. Mississippi is served by the CMS Regional Office in Atlanta. The Atlanta office also serves Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee.

3. Structure of Agency

3a Governor's Office



A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several fluid, connected strokes that form the name Robert L. Robinson.

Robert L. Robinson, Executive Director

The Executive Director of the Division of Medicaid reports to the Governor of the State of Mississippi.

3. Structure of Agency

3b State Office

State Office	
Executive Services	14
Strategic Planning	2
Procurement	1
Systems	37
Human Resources	13
Administrative Services	2
Financial Administration	2
Reimbursement	19
Accounting and Finance	19
Budgeting	2
Operations	8
Audit and Recovery	3
Financial and Performance Audit	54 - Includes NET PINS
Program Integrity	34
Third Party Recovery	37

3. Structure of Agency

3b State Office

State Office

Health Services	4
Long Term Care	37
Maternal & Child Health	19
Medical Services	15
Provider/Beneficiary Relations	23
Policy	8
Pharmacy	10
Enrollment	14

3. Structure of Agency

3c Regional Offices

Region	# of positions
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Region 1 86

Region 2 81

Region 3 100

Region 4 99

Region 5 97

Region 6 93

Region 7 105

Total RO Positions

661

Division Director Regions

Region II - Colbert Graham
Clarksdale
Holly Springs
New Albany
Senatobia

Region I - Kathy Jones
Columbus
Corinth
Starkville
Tupelo

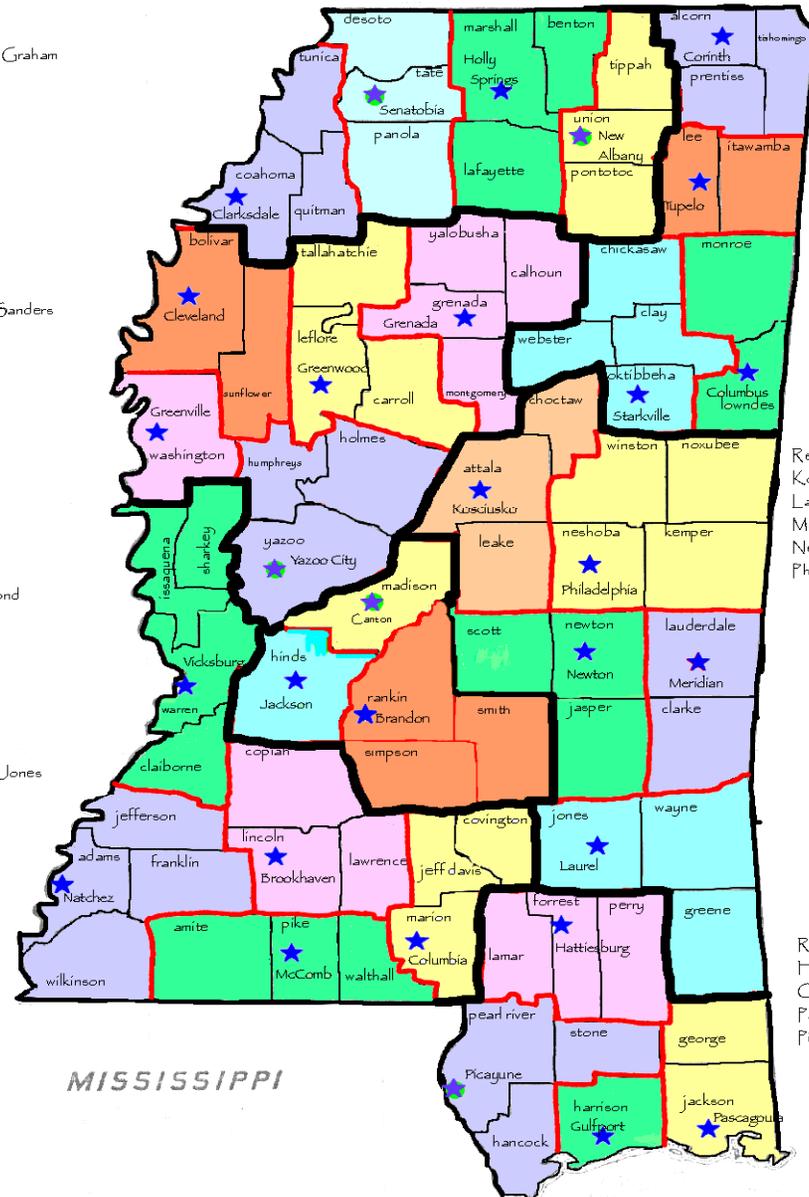
Region III - Sheila Sanders
Cleveland
Greenville
Greenwood
Grenada
Yazoo City

Region IV - Camille Simmons
Kosciusko
Laurel
Meridian
Newton
Philadelphia

Region V - Janis Bond
Brandon
Canton
Jackson

Region VI - Camell Jones
Brookhaven
Columbia
McComb
Natchez
Vicksburg

Region VII - Myra Hartel
Hattiesburg
Gulfport
Pascagoula
Percy



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3. Structure of Agency

3d Other sites

State Office (other sites)

Lakeland Drive

Enrollment

Program Integrity

Old River Place

Long Term Care

Recovery

Congress Street

Financial & Performance Audit

Highland Colony Parkway

Systems

Non Emergency Transportation (1929 Dunbarton Drive, JXN., MS. 39216)

Total Positions as of January 22, 2007 1050*

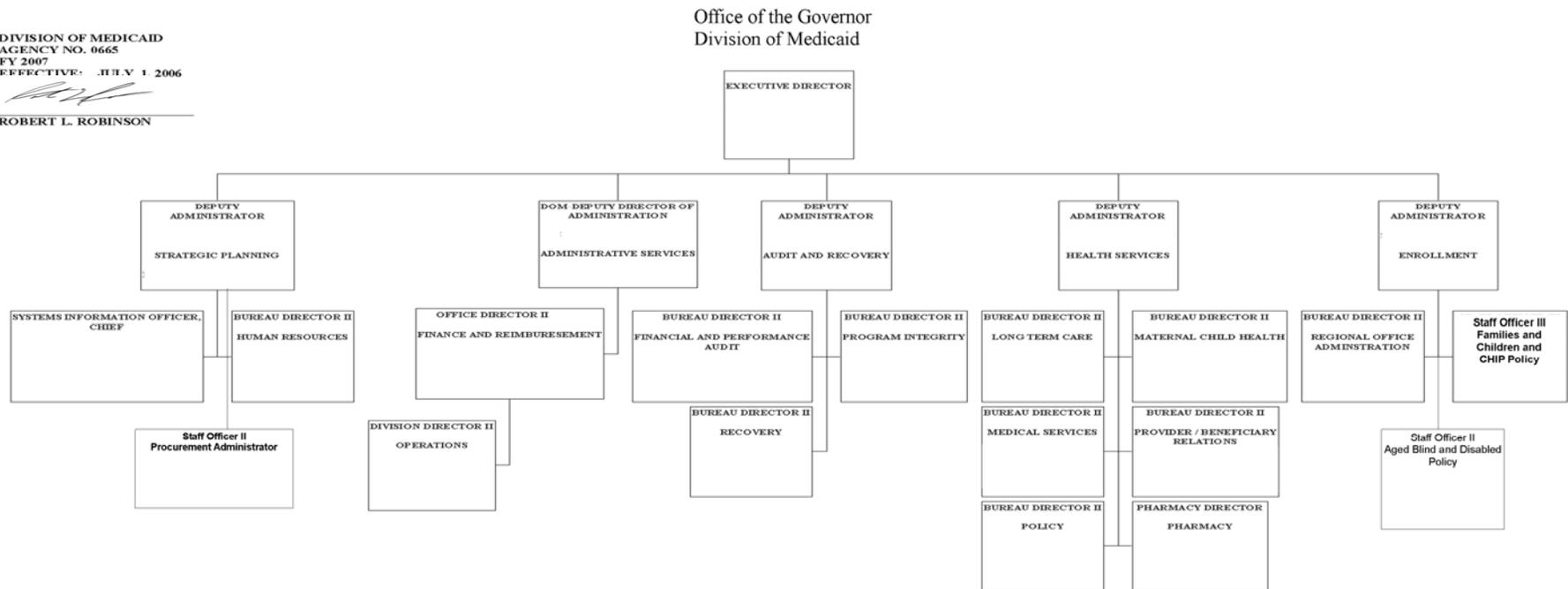
* Abolished 16 PINS
12 positions in vacant
PIN pool

3. Structure of Agency

3e Organizational Chart

DIVISION OF MEDICAID
 AGENCY NO. 0665
 FY 2007
 EFFECTIVE: JULY 1 2006

 ROBERT L. ROBINSON



4. Employees

4a Number of positions

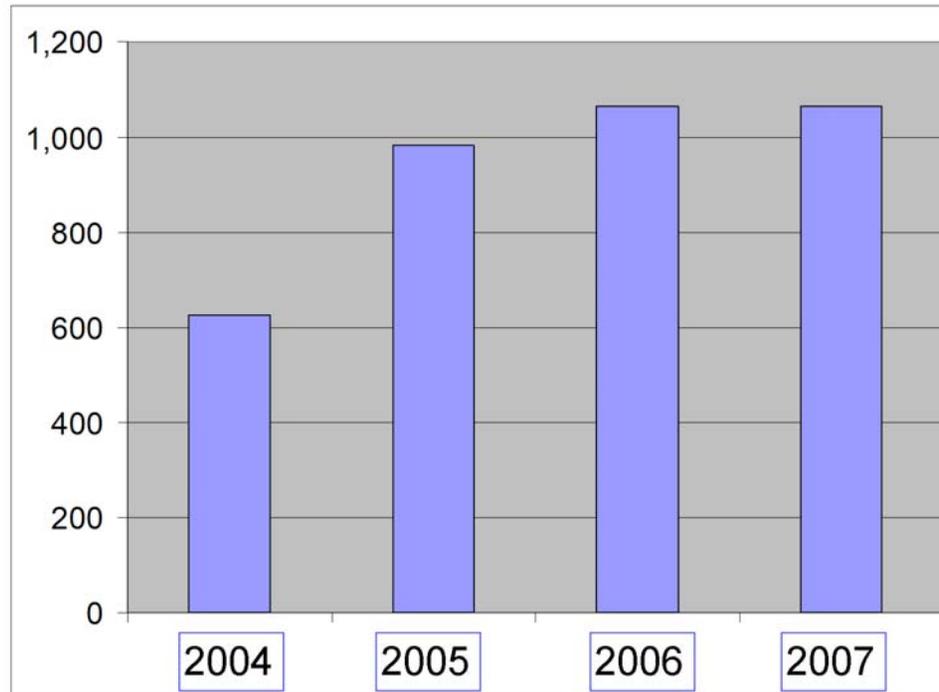
Authorized Positions:

FY2004 625

FY2005 984

FY2006 1,066

FY2007 1,066



4. Employees

4b Exempt positions under the Personnel Board

Special Staff, Chief	1
Deputy Administrator	4
Deputy Director of Administration	1
Executive Director	1
Administrative Assistant IV	1
Systems Information Officer, Chief	1
Office Director II	1
Staff Officer II	1
Pharmacy Director	1

Total Exempt Positions 12

4. Employees

4c Growth and functions of personnel in recent years

FY2004-FY2005

Medicaid Specialist positions were transferred to the Bureau of Enrollment/Eligibility due to the transition of programs from DHS.

FY2006-2007

49 time-limited positions in the Bureau of Enrollment/Eligibility were converted to permanent positions.



4. Employees

4c Growth and functions of personnel in recent years

Medicaid Specialist

The Medicaid Specialist makes the initial determination and redetermination for Medicaid recipients who live in private and institutional settings.

Essential Functions

Maintains caseload for Medicaid eligibility

Maintains good public relations and customer services



8. Contracts

d. Contract employees FY 2007 (Jan 1 – June 30, 2007)

	Change Made	Contract Ended	*Retiree		Hours Worked Per Week	Monthly Salary
			Length of Contract	Hourly Rate		
	Title	Bureau				
1	HR Consultant	Human Resources	Jan 1 - June 30, 2007	\$30.00	30	\$3,960.00
2	Medicaid Fin. Prog. Coord.,Sr.	Reimbursement	Jan 1 - June 30, 2007	\$26.68	40	\$4,695.68
3	Administrative Assistant III	Long Term Care	Jan 1 - June 30, 2007	\$13.48	40	\$2,372.48
4	Administrative Assistant II	Long Term Care	Jan 1 - June 30, 2007	\$12.38	40	\$2,178.88
5	Technical Writer	Executive Services	Jan 1 - June 30, 2007	\$18.00	20	\$1,584.00
6	Administrative Assistant III	Long Term Care	Jan 1 - June 30, 2007	\$13.48	40	\$2,372.48
7	Medicaid Specialist	Maternal/Child Health	Jan 1 - June 30, 2007	\$15.40	39	\$2,371.60
8	Medicaid Auditor I	Third Party	Jan 1 - June 30, 2007	\$14.58	40	\$2,566.08
9	Accounting/Auditing Tech	Finance & Administration	Jan 1 - June 30, 2007	\$13.06	40	\$2,298.56
10	Staff Officer II	Administrative Services	Jan 1 - Feb 28, 2007	\$27.00	40	\$4,536.00
11	Administrative Assistant II	Finance & Administration	Jan 1 - June 30, 2007	\$12.38	40	\$2,178.88
12	Administrative Assistant II	Maternal/Child Health	Jan 1 - June 30, 2007	\$12.38	39	\$2,124.41

8. Contracts

d. Contract employees FY 2007 (Jan 1 – June 30, 2007 Continued)

	Change Made	Contract Ended	*Retiree			
			Length of	Hourly	Hours Worked	Monthly
	Title	Bureau	Contract	Rate	Per Week	Salary
13	Special Projects Officer	Human Resources	Jan 1 - June 30, 2007	\$17.00	40	\$2,992.00
14	Sr. Business Analyst	Systems	Jan 1 - April 30, 2007	\$50.00	32	\$7,150.00
15	Special Projects Officer II	Executive Services	Jan 1 - June 30, 2007	\$16.26	39	\$2,504.04
16	Optical Imaging Operator	Administrative Services	Jan 1 - June 30, 2007	\$14.41	40	\$2,536.16
17	Special Projects Officer	Finance & Administration	Jan 1 - Mar 31, 2007	\$16.26	40	\$2,861.76
18	OMAP	Long Term Care	Dec 5, 2006 - June 30, 2007	\$22.12	40	\$3,893.12
19	Optical Imaging Operator	Administrative Services	Dec 18, 2006 - Mar. 31, 2007	\$14.41	40	\$2,536.16
20	Special Projects Officer	Finance & Administration	Jan 2 - Mar 31, 2007	\$12.00	40	\$2,112.00
21	Administrative Assistant III	Reimbursement	Jan 2 - June 30, 2007	\$13.66	40	\$2,404.16
22	OMAS	Long Term Care	Jan 8 - June 30, 2007	\$18.46	40	\$3,101.28
23	Administrative Assistant VII	Systems	Feb 1 - June 30, 2007	\$15.72	15	\$1,021.80
24	Special Projects Officer	Finance & Administration	Jan 22 - June 30, 2007	\$12.00	40	\$2,112.00

