#### DVS: Budget Options April 2008 BSC Meeting Charlie Rothwell





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#### FY08 DVS Budget

- Total DVS Budget for Vitals: \$17.56 million
- VSCP budget for States: \$15.1million
- VSCP cost (13 months): \$20 million
- Short fall: \$4.9 million (based on current budget allocation)
- Shortfall means we will not be able to pay for July – September 2007 data in FY08

## DVS Program Options in FY 09 Postpone Deaths for CY09

- Complete all vitals for CY08
- Collect natality and fetals for CY09
- Postpone Mortality reporting for CY09
- Collect all vitals for CY10
- Postpone natality reporting in CY11
- Cost: \$16.9 million
- Shortfall: \$1.8 million (made up by not paying for Natality for July-September 2009 in FY09)

### DVS Program Options in FY09 Postpone Births for CY09

- Complete all vitals for CY08
- Collect mortality and fetals for CY09
- Postpone Natality reporting for CY09
- Collect all vitals for CY10
- Postpone mortality reporting in CY11
- Cost: \$16.9 million
- Shortfall: \$1.8 million (made up by not paying for Mortality for July-September 2009 in FY09)

# DVS Program Options in FY09 Delay Purchase

- Pay for July-December 2008: \$9.8 million
- Pay for January-March 2009: \$4.9 million
- Savings of \$400,000 to be given to other programs.
- Remainder of 2009 (April- Dec) data be paid in FY10 and FY11

# DVS Program Options Adequate Funding

- \$15.1 million is an appropriate compensation for States for reporting all vitals to NCHS
- NCHS will seek additional funding to help States in improving the quality of vital statistics
- Budget neutral

## DVS Program Options Let's Make a Deal

- Reduce the content of vitals provided to NCHS
- Negotiate with States on a reduced amount for VSCP (less than \$15.1 million)
- Use the remaining amount to attract funding from other Federal programs to collect the remaining content i.e. additional items dependent on reimbursable \$'s
- Budget neutral

# **Option Implications**

- Postpone Deaths: CY09 NDI & linked files incomplete and still a shortfall
- Postpone Births: CY09 linked files incomplete and still a \$ shortfall
- Delay Purchase 2009 data year paid for in 2010
- Adequate Funding fine if States agree
- Let's Make a Deal fine if funded by other Federal agencies and States agree