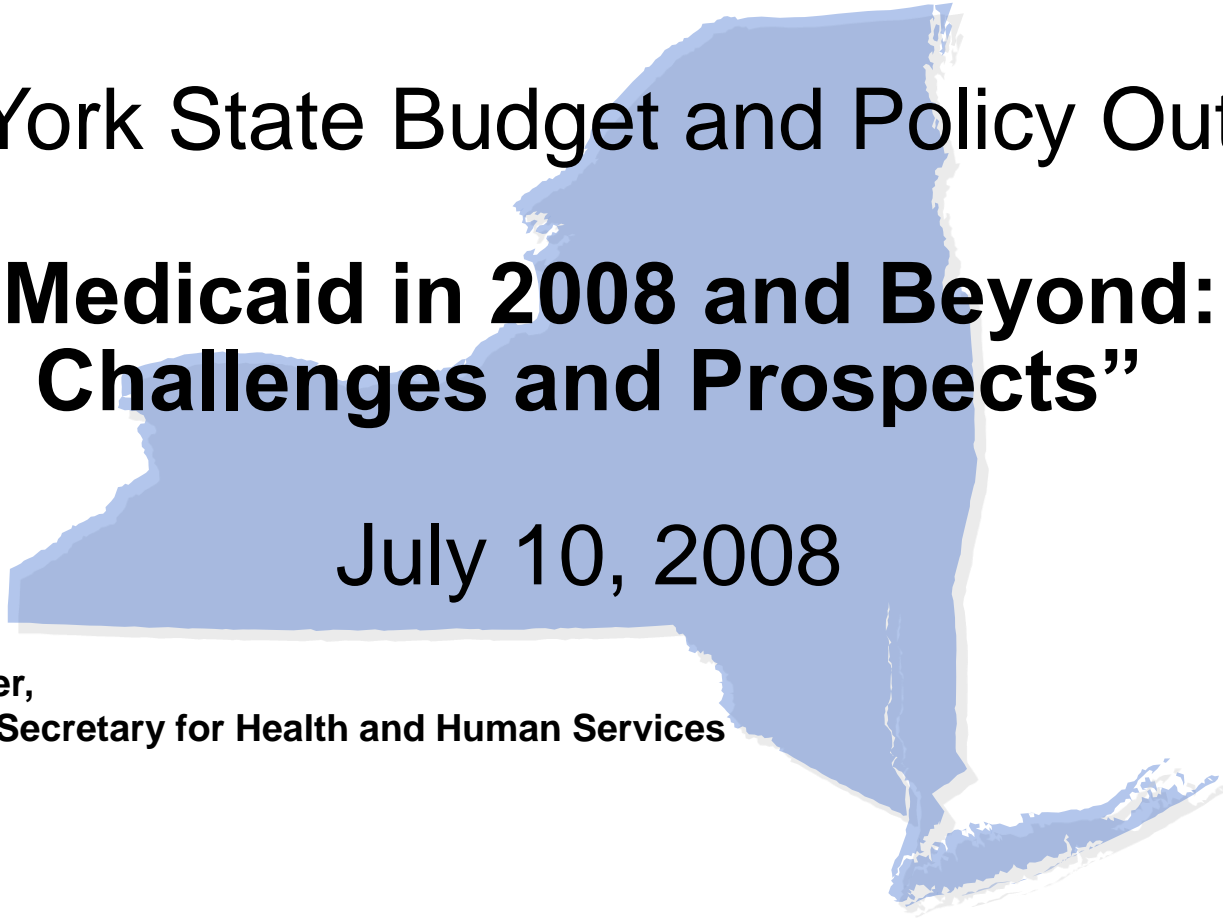

New York State Budget and Policy Outlook

“Medicaid in 2008 and Beyond: Challenges and Prospects”

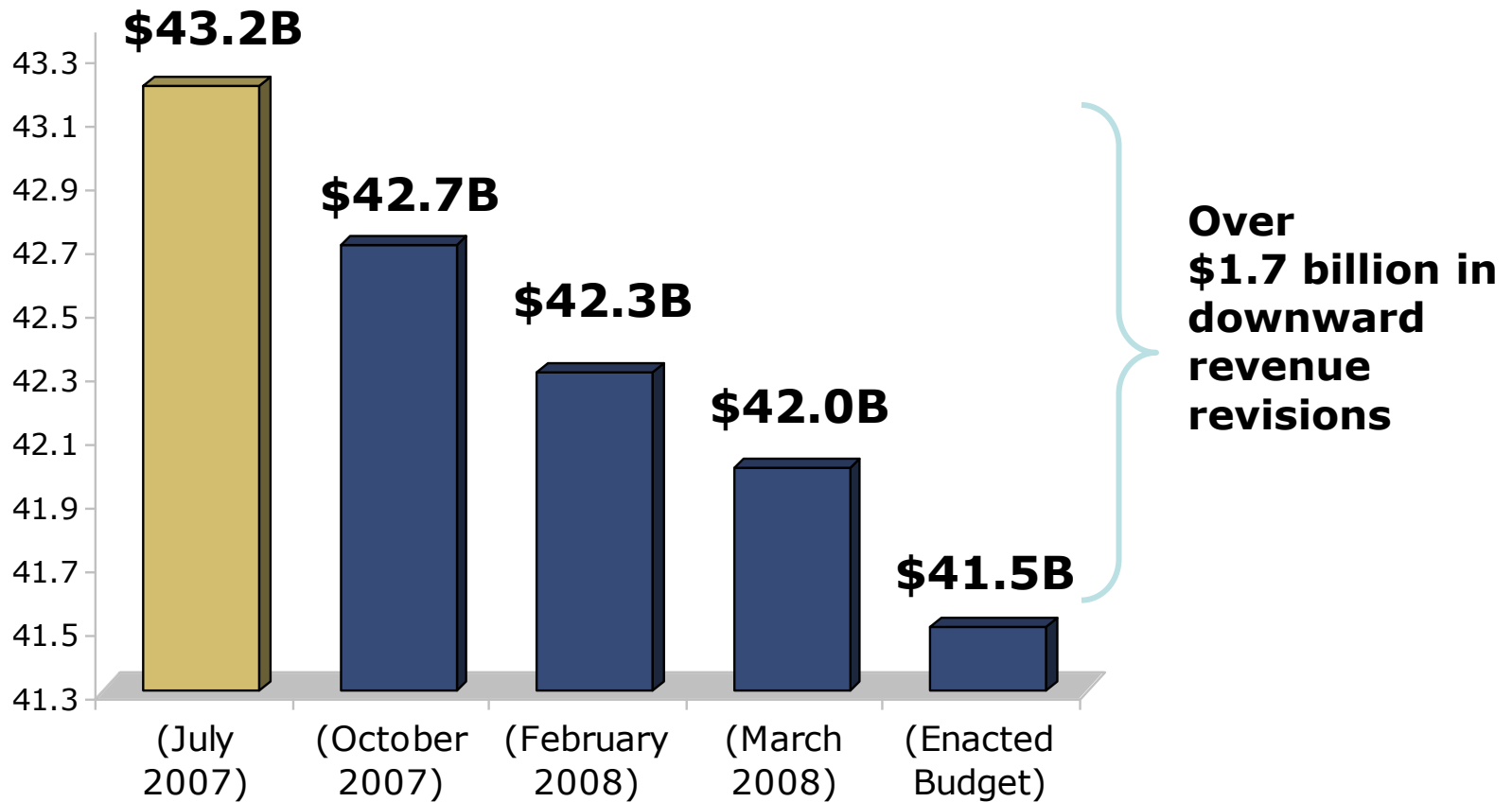
July 10, 2008

by Joseph Baker,
First Assistant Secretary for Health and Human Services



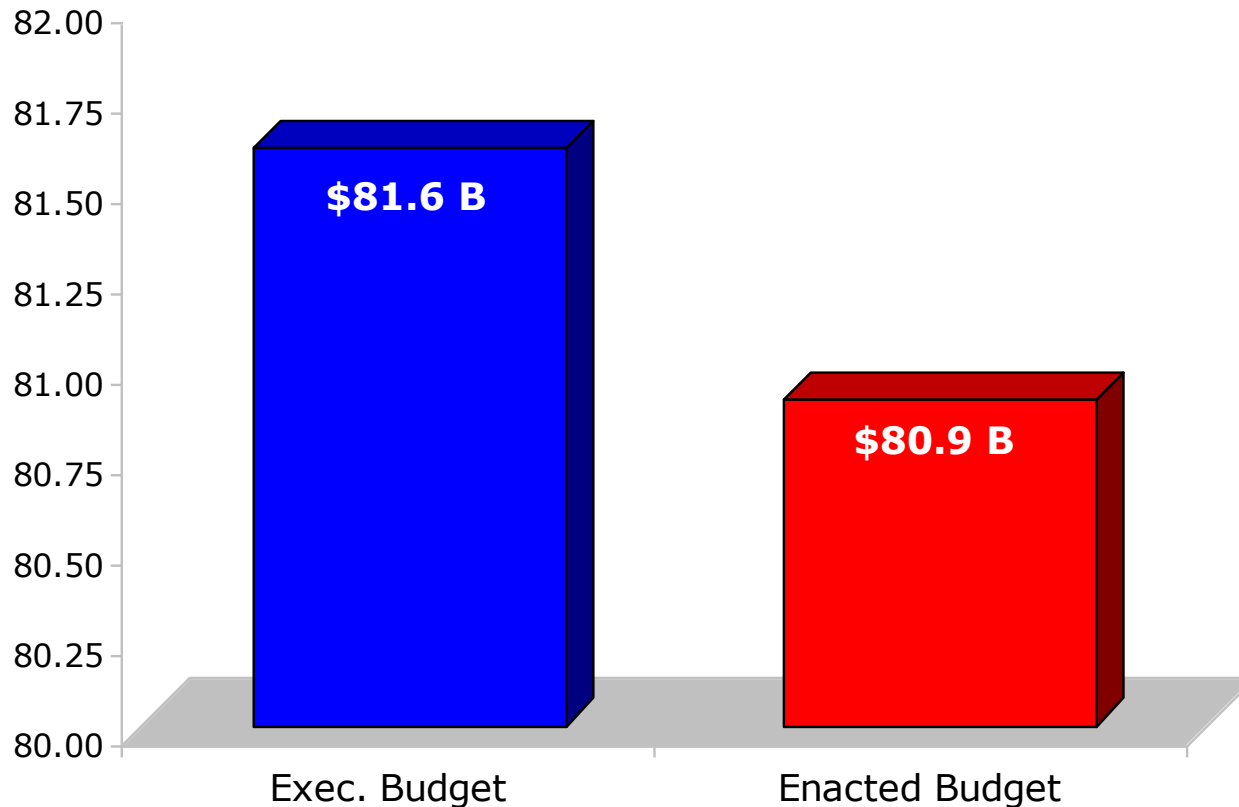
Current Budget

2008-09 Declining Revenue Projections



Spends Less than the Exec. Budget for First Time in a Decade

2008-09 State Operating Funds Spending (Billions)



Major Policy Initiatives

- **K-12 Education**: \$1.8 billion school aid increase.
- **Economic Development**: \$1.6 billion statewide economic development capital plan (\$700 million Upstate Revitalization Fund).
- **Health Care**: Provides access to coverage for all New York's 400,000 uninsured children; begins reforming reimbursement system to invest in primary and preventative care.
- **Higher Education**: Nearly \$2.5 billion capital investment in SUNY and CUNY projects; authorizes creation of Endowment, but does not specify funding source.

Expanding Access to Coverage

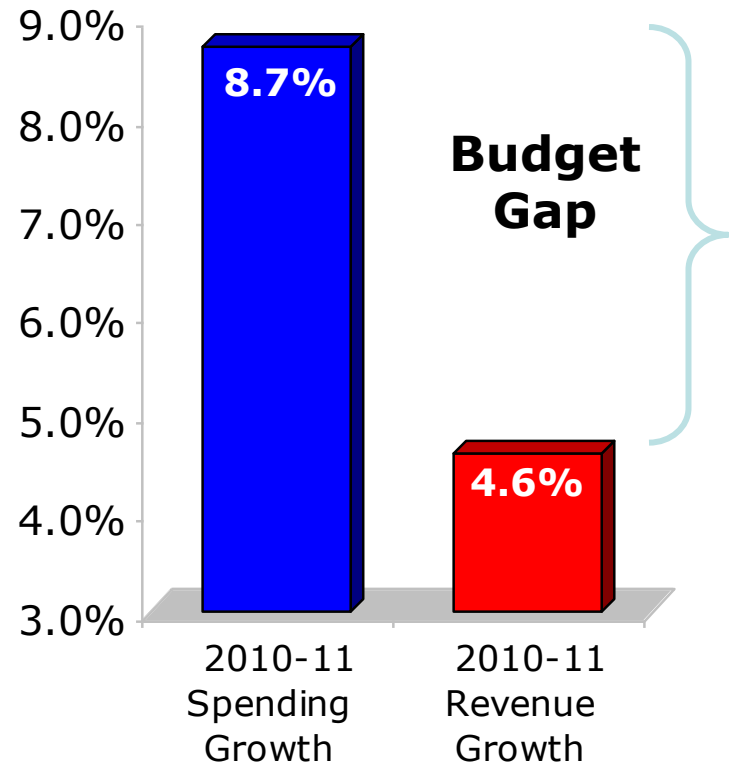
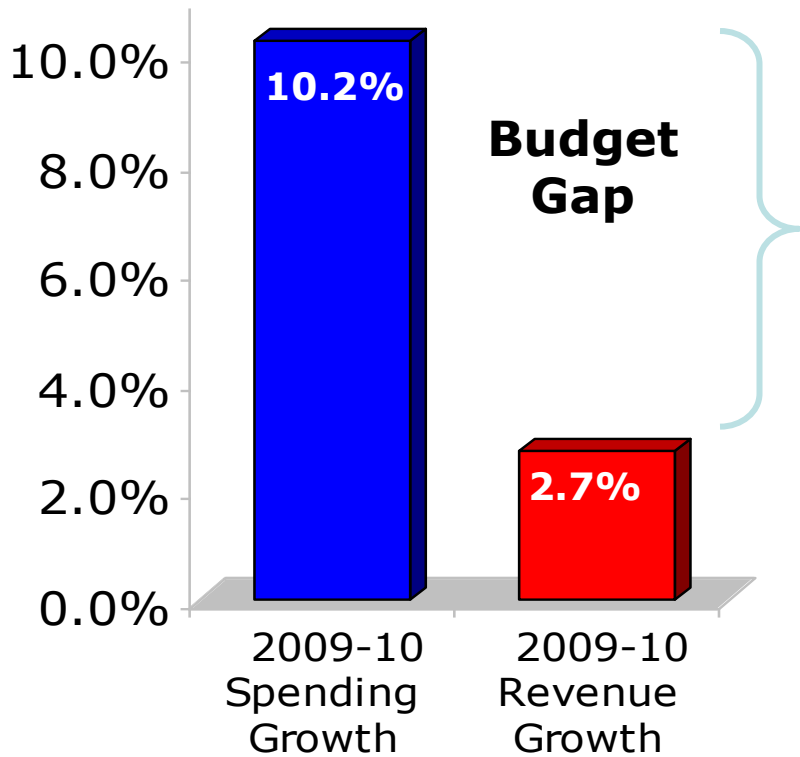
- CHPlus expands to 400% FPL
- Kids aging out of foster care in Medicaid until 21
- Family Health Plus Buy-in
- Family Health Plus Premium Assistance Program
- Medical Needy levels will increase
- Streamlining enrollment and renewal procedures
- Enhanced outreach to uninsured NYers
- Establishment of State Enrollment Center
- Initiating Partnership for Coverage

Partnership for Coverage

- Seven public hearings across the State in 2007.
 - Testimony from more than 280 people and groups.
 - Meetings with more than 60 stakeholder groups.
- Modeling guidelines for proposals out for public comment June 30 through July 21.
 - Proposals include:
 - o Single Payer “Medicare-for All”
 - o New York Health Plus
 - o Combined Public-Private Reforms
 - o The Freedom Plan
- Report expected at end of 2008.

Budget Forecast

Spending Outpacing Revenues



Significant Out-year Budget Gaps

Projected Out-year General Fund Deficits

