

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

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Fiscal Year 2001 Discretionary Announcement for Head Start Family Worker Training and Credentialing Initiative; Availability of Funds and Request for Applications

AGENCY: Administration on Children, Youth and Families (ACYF), ACF, DHHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Administration on Children, Youth and Families (ACYF) announces the availability of \$1,000,000; up to \$100,000 per project for one year to support up to ten entities to design and/or adapt competency-based training programs and curricula suitable for the training and credentialing of Head Start Family Worker Staff. Academic institutions, other training providers, and public or private non-profit or for-profit organizations are eligible to apply for projects, which will be funded on a competitive basis.

Applicants must provide assurances that if they receive funds under the announcement, the model training program required as part of the final report described in the section of this announcement entitled: *Expectations and Requirements for Family Worker Training and Credentialing Projects* will be established as part of the grantee's regular curricular offerings no later than one year from the date of submission of the report.

DATES: The closing date for receipt of applications is 5:00 P.M. EDT, July 2, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Mail applications to: Head Start Family Worker Training and Credentialing Initiative, ACYF Operations Center, 1815 North Fort Myer Drive, Suite 300, Arlington, Virginia 22209.

Hand delivered courier or overnight delivery applications are accepted during the normal working hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, on or prior to the established closing date.

All packages should be clearly labeled as follows:

Application for Head Start Family Worker Training and Credentialing Initiative

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: The Head Start Discretionary Grant Support Team (1-800-351-2293) is available to answer questions concerning application requirements and to refer you to the appropriate contact person in ACYF for programmatic questions. You may e-mail your questions to: hs@lcgnet.com.

In order to determine the number of expert reviewers that will be necessary, if you plan to submit an application, you are requested to send a post card or call with the following information: the name, address, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail address of the project director and the name of the applicant at least four weeks prior to the submission deadline date to: Head Start Family Worker Training and Credentialing Initiative, ACYF Operations Center, 1815 North Fort Myer Drive, Suite 300, Arlington, Virginia 22209.

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Part III contains the requirements for information that must be included in each application.

Part IV contains the criteria upon which applications will be reviewed and evaluated.

Part V contains a discussion of the application process.

Appendix A includes the relevant application forms, certifications, disclosures and assurances necessary for completing and submitting the application.

Appendix B contains a listing of Competency Goals and Indicators for Head Start Staff Working with Families.

Appendix C includes a listing of the Head Start Quality Improvement Centers. The Head Start Quality Improvement Centers and Disability Services Quality Improvement Centers form a regionally-based system, composed of institutions and organizations whose common purpose is to support the continuous improvement of all grantees and delegate agencies as they work to provide high quality and effective services to children and families and address the emerging priorities of child care partnerships, Head Start expansion and welfare reform. The Training and Technical Assistance reflects a national commitment to quality

improvement, local capacity-building and ongoing evaluation.

Part I. Purpose and Background

A. Purpose

The purpose of this announcement is to solicit applications for grants for the design and/or adaptation of competency-based training programs appropriate for utilization in a national Head Start Family Worker Training and Credentialing Initiative. Grants will be awarded to develop methodologies and approaches to enhance the skills, knowledge, and effectiveness of Family Services staff who are working with parents and young children in Head Start and Early Head Start, and other early childhood and child care family support programs.

Organizations funded under this Announcement will work cooperatively with the Head Start Bureau, national experts, and national organizations in furthering this initiative.

Successful applicants will be expected to work collaboratively with local Head Start programs as well as with other service agencies and organizations involved in endeavors, which grant credit, degrees, and credentialing of Family Workers.

B. Background

Head Start

Head Start and Early Head Start are comprehensive child development programs which serve children from birth to age five, pregnant women, and their families. The Early Head Start program provides services to children zero to three and serves approximately 50,000 children. Head Start, which provides services to children age three to five, currently serves over 850,000 low-income families and their children through a nationwide network of approximately 2,100 grantee and delegate agencies. These agencies serve children and families through a variety of program options and service strategies including center-based, home-based, and family child care partnerships.

Note: In the balance of this document, the term "Head Start" refers to both Head Start and Early Head Start programs and staff, unless otherwise indicated.

Since its inception in 1965, Head Start has had a strong commitment and impressive success in involving, educating and supporting parents and families as an integral part of every local program. For example, recent research in a nationally representative sample of programs documented high levels of parent involvement and satisfaction: approximately 80% of all parents

participate in home visits, parent-teacher conferences, classroom observations and volunteering and over 85% of parents were very satisfied with the quality of services their child received. These findings corroborate the 1999 report of the American Customers Satisfaction Index, in which Head Start received the highest rating of any government program.

Building on this strong record of success and commitment, the initiative described in this announcement is intended to continue to strengthen the quality of services to and depth of partnerships with families by enhancing the training and effectiveness of Family Workers in all Head Start programs. It complements a broad series of related efforts to improve Head Start program quality, staff credentials, and accountability, including more specific performance standards and measures in children's literacy and language development, a new focus on child outcomes in program monitoring and self-assessment, expanded funding to upgrade program quality and staff compensation, and higher qualification standards for Head Start teachers.

Family Workers in Head Start

More than 25,000 Family Workers are employed in local Head Start programs. Family Workers play a critical role in developing and supporting the implementation of Head Start's family partnership process. Through this process the family of each enrolled child has opportunities to develop and implement an individualized plan of services based on their interests and needs. In many instances, the quality of support received by families correlates with the training and qualifications of the program's Family Workers.

Collectively, Family Workers represent a group with varied levels of professional education/training and experience. Local agencies have established a range of qualifications for Family Workers varying from a Masters of Social Work (MSW) or other related degree to a High School diploma. Accordingly, some Head Start Social Services and Parent Involvement staff (known as Family and Community Partnerships staff since 1998) are college degree as well as state licensed or credentialed. Others have received undergraduate training or on-the-job training. Some Family Workers are current or former parents of Head Start children. As might be expected, Family Workers also vary widely in characteristics such as salary levels, staffing patterns, fields of study, tenure, average salary, forms of supervision and

ongoing professional development opportunities.

Family Worker Training and Credentialing Initiative

The Family Worker Training and Credentialing Initiative is designed to implement a mandate from Congress in the Head Start Act Amendments of 1994 (P.L. 103-252). This Section of the Act required that "the Secretary, in coordination with concerned public and private agencies and organizations examining the issues of standards and training for family service workers, shall * * * (1) review and, as necessary, revise or develop new qualification standards for Head Start staff providing such services; (2) promote the development of model curricula (on subjects including parenting training and family literacy) designed to ensure the attainment of appropriate competencies by individuals working or planning to work in the field of early childhood and family services; and (3) promote the establishment of a credential that indicates the attainment of the competencies that is accepted nationwide".

To assist in planning to carry out the Congressional mandates, the Head Start Bureau in 1999 and 2000 convened five focus groups of leaders from: national organizations, local Head Start Programs including parents of past and currently enrolled children; Head Start Quality Improvement Centers; accreditation organizations and higher education institutions to discuss the needs, issues, and existing models of Head Start Worker staff training.

Among the issues and needs identified by focus group participants were the following:

- Input to the development of "Competency Goals and Indicators for Head Start Staff Working with Families" attached in Appendix B, page 27. These competencies are being communicated to Head Start agencies to assist local efforts in selecting, training, and supervising Family Workers and will provide a common framework for competency-based training models solicited via this announcement;
- Key characteristics of models for delivery of training in these competencies and approaches to link competency-based training to higher education coursework and degrees;
- The importance and challenges of creating competency-based training that is responsive to highly diverse adult learners, such as Family Workers in Head Start and child care programs with little recent experience as students, who frequently continue to work while pursuing a degree, and who may require

special academic and social supports to successfully meet standards in general education and early childhood courses, and

- Recognition that with over twenty-nine percent of Head Start staff members being parents of former or current Head Start children that there is a necessity to ensure that any competency-based training program/curriculum for Family Workers is appropriate for, open to, and welcomes the parents of Head Start children so that they can attain the necessary competencies.

Expectations and Requirements for Family Worker Training and Credentialing Projects

Section 649 the Head Start Act authorizes grants for research, demonstration and collaboration activities. These grants will involve extensive investigation into areas where knowledge is currently insufficient and will be awarded pursuant to Section 649.

Based on the above legislative mandates, focus group input, and additional planning, the Head Start Bureau is issuing this grants announcement to support the development and/or adaptation of a variety of models of competency-based, credit-bearing training for Family Workers in Head Start and early childhood and family support programs. The central requirements for all projects are as follows:

- Develop competency-based training programs and curricula relevant to the work of a Head Start Family Worker based on the Head Start Program Performance Standards; the Competency Goals and Indicators for Head Start Staff Working with Families, attached in Appendix B; and include a credible approach to assessing the attainment of these competencies by individual trainees;
- Create or adapt competency-based training that is linked to academic credit and degree programs and to other forms of credentialing for Family Workers. Applicants are urged to present plans for training which provide for articulation to AA, BA, MS degree programs if the trainee decides to continue his/her education, and portability, should trainees desire to be Family Workers in other related programs;
- Develop training and curricula that is accessible and affordable for adult learners and that accommodates the training needs of current Head Start Family Workers, including former Head Start Parents who are likely to continue to work full time as they continue to

participate in training towards a Family Worker credential; and

- Create state-of-the-art training and assessment strategies that will ultimately enhance the quality of program services and outcomes for the increasing diversity of low-income families served by Head Start and early childhood programs and agencies.

The Bureau is soliciting applications to develop and/or adapt competency-based training curricula and programs appropriate to the fulfillment of educational and professional growth needs of Family Worker staff nationwide, including all geographic regions as well as for staff serving Migrant and Indian families and communities. For purposes of this announcement "development" means the creation and design of a totally new competency-based, credit-based, training program. "Adaptation" means the proposed utilization of "as is" or slightly modified appropriate credit-bearing competency-based training program coursework and materials, delivery modalities, scheduling and cost factors, etc.

Innovative, realistic, forward-looking, and trainee accessible model training program designs are necessary in order to facilitate and advance the Head Start Family Worker Training Initiative. Applicants may propose developmental work such as re-shaping course materials, curriculum and teaching strategies; adapting mentoring, advisement, reflective practice, and practicum strategies, using distance learning and other forms of technology in new ways, alternate means to improve access, reduce costs, and increase the successful completion of the training sequence and demonstration of competencies by candidates; and new efforts and methods to link competency-based training and curriculum to academic credit, higher education degree programs and related credentialing systems for Family Workers. Applicants are strongly encouraged to involve Family Workers, managers, program directors from Head Start and other community-based programs and training and technical assistance providers in their grant application planning and implementation of their projects. Attachment C provides a Directory of Head Start Training and Technical Assistance providers.

Each funded project will be expected to present a comprehensive competency-based credit-bearing training program and curriculum (plus alternate designs, if any) to the Head Start Bureau at the end of this grant project period. All elements of the

training program, including but not limited to recruitment, entry requirements, course content, credit hours, primary and alternate delivery modalities, time requirements, implementation plans and schedule, staffing qualifications, program and student assessments (including a method or strategy for the assessment of the competencies to be acquired by trainees), program accreditation, credentialing mechanisms, articulation plans/processes/agreements, and cost factors are to be included in this presentation. At some point in the future, the Head Start Bureau intends to require a common set of competencies and skills for Family Workers. Model curricula developed under this Announcement will be used to help determine the requisite training and credential attainment for these workers. Therefore, successful applicants are also expected to declare their intent to implement their proposed program after the end of the grant period, independent of any additional Federal support, if the Head Start Bureau determines that their model is sufficient to meet the training needs of Head Start Family Workers.

The Bureau in concert with national experts and practitioners will carry out a comprehensive review of all final submissions. The review will include examination of how proposed programs will enhance the capacities of trainees in all of the areas addressed in the Head Start Program Performance Standards and sub-areas of the eleven Family Workers "Competency Goals and Indicators" as defined in Appendix B. As a result of this review, the Bureau will examine the possible establishment and implementation of a Family Worker Training Program Resource Data Base incorporating all training programs conforming to Head Start's requirements. Those providers and programs included in the Data Base will be deemed to be responsive and appropriate for use by local program Family Worker staff in pursuing courses of studies and credentialing.

Grantees will be expected to attend a three-day Orientation Meeting regarding this Initiative in Washington D.C. to be held no later than six weeks after grant award. The Head Start Bureau and a work group of national consultants on competency-based training and credentialing will convene to engage with grantees regarding programmatic issues and Bureau expectations for this initiative. Applicants need to budget for the three-day Orientation meeting.

Part II. Program Information and Requirements

A. Statutory Authority

The Head Start Act, as amended 42 U.S.C. 9801 et seq.

B. Eligible Applicants

Applicants must be public or private institutions of higher education or nonprofit or for profit organizations with experience and knowledge in working with early childhood programs for young children birth to age five. In accordance with 45 CFR 74.81, for profit organizations must waive their profit when applying for funding under this announcement.

C. Project Duration

Awards will be made on a competitive basis and will be for a one-year period. The total project period will be one year.

D. Federal Share of Project Costs

A total of approximately \$1,000,000 in ACF funds will be available.

E. Number of Projects To Be Funded

ACF will fund up to ten applicants. An individual discretionary grant will be awarded to a successful applicant in order to foster achievement of the goals of this Head Start initiative.

F. Matching Requirement

Although there are no matching requirements, applicants are encouraged to provide non-Federal contributions to the project.

Part III. Application Requirements

A. Purpose

The project description provides a major means by which an application is evaluated and ranked to compete with other applications for available assistance. The project description should be concise and complete and should address the activity for which Federal funds are being requested. Supporting documents should be included where they can present information clearly and succinctly.

In preparing your project description, all information requested through each specific evaluation criteria should be provided. Awarding offices use this and other information in making their funding recommendations. It is important, therefore, that this information be included in the application.

B. General Instructions

ACF is particularly interested in specific factual information and statements of measurable goals in

quantitative terms. Project descriptions are evaluated on the basis of substance, not length. Extensive exhibits are not required. Cross-referencing should be used rather than repetition. Supporting information concerning activities that will not be directly funded by the grant or information that does not directly pertain to an integral part of the grant funded activity should be placed in an appendix.

Pages should be numbered and a table of contents should be included for easy reference.

Introduction

Applicants are required to submit a full project description and shall prepare the project description statement in accordance with the following instructions and the specified evaluation criteria. The instructions give a broad overview of what your project description should include while the evaluation criteria expands and clarifies more program-specific information that is needed.

Project Summary/Abstract

Provide a summary of the Project description (a page or less) with reference to the funding request.

C. Objectives and Need for Assistance

Clearly identify the physical, economic, social, institutional and other problems(s) requiring a solution. The need for assistance must be demonstrated and the principal and subordinate objectives of the project must be clearly stated; supporting documentation, such as letters of support and testimonials from concerned interests other than the applicant, may be included. Any relevant data based on planning studies should be included or referred to in the endnotes/footnotes. Incorporate demographic data and participant/beneficiary information, as needed. In developing the project description, the applicant may volunteer or be requested to provide information on the total range of projects currently being conducted and supported or (to be initiated), some of which may be outside the scope of the program announcement.

D. Results or Benefits Expected

Identify the results and benefits to be derived.

E. Approach

Outline a plan of action that describes the scope and detail of how the proposed work will be accomplished. Account for all functions or activities identified in the application. Cite factors

that might accelerate or decelerate the work and state your reason for taking the proposed approach rather than others. Describe any unusual features of the project such as design or technological innovations, reductions in cost or time, or extraordinary social and community involvement.

Provide quantitative monthly or quarterly projections of the accomplishments to be achieved for each function or activity in such terms as the number of people to be served and the number of activities accomplished. When accomplishments cannot be quantified by activity or function, list them in chronological order to show the schedule of accomplishments and their target dates.

If any data is to be collected, maintained, and/or disseminated, clearance may be required from the U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB). This clearance pertains to any "collection of information that is conducted or sponsored by ACF."

List organizations, cooperating entities, consultants, or other key individuals whom will work on the project along with a short description of the nature of their effort or contribution.

F. Additional Information

Following are requests for additional information that need to be included in the application.

1. Staff and Position Data

Provide a biographical sketch for each key person appointed and a job description for each vacant key position. A biographical sketch will also be required for new key staff as appointed.

2. Organizational Profiles

Provide information on the applicant organization(s) and cooperating partners such as organizational charts, financial statements, audit reports or statements from CPAs/Licensed Public Accountants, Employer Identification Numbers, names of bond carriers, contact persons and telephone numbers, child care licenses and other documentation of professional accreditation, information on compliance with Federal/State/local government standards, documentation of experience in the program area, and other pertinent information.

G. Third-Party Agreements

Include written agreements between the grantee and subgrantees or subcontractors or other cooperative entities. These agreements must detail scope of work to be performed, work schedules, remuneration, and other

terms and conditions that structure or define the relationship.

Letters of Support

Provide statements from community, public and commercial leaders that support the project proposed for funding. All submissions should be included in the application *OR* by application deadline.

H. Budget and Budget Justification

Provide line item detail and detailed calculations for each budget object class identified on the Budget Information form. Detailed calculations must include estimation methods, quantities, unit costs, and other similar quantitative detail sufficient for the calculation to be duplicated. The detailed budget must also include a breakout by the funding sources identified in Block 15 of the SF-424.

Provide a narrative budget justification that describes how the categorical costs are derived. Discuss the necessity, reasonableness, and allocability of the proposed costs.

General

The following guidelines are for preparing the budget and budget justification. Both Federal and non-Federal resources shall be detailed and justified in the budget and narrative justification. For purposes of preparing the budget and budget justification, "Federal resources" refers only to the ACF grant for which you are applying. Non-Federal resources are all other Federal and non-Federal resources. It is suggested that budget amounts and computations be presented in a columnar format: first column, object class categories; second column, Federal budget; next column(s), non-Federal budget(s), and last column, total budget. The budget justification should be a narrative.

Personnel

Description: Costs of employee salaries and wages.

Justification: Identify the project director or principal investigator, if known. For each staff person, provide the title, time commitment to the project (in months), time commitment to the project (as a percentage or full-time equivalent), annual salary, grant salary, wage rates, etc. Do not include the costs of consultants or personnel costs of delegate agencies or of specific project(s) or businesses to be financed by the applicant.

Fringe Benefits

Description: Costs of employee fringe benefits unless treated as part of an approved indirect cost rate.

Justification: Provide a breakdown of the amounts and percentages that comprise fringe benefit costs such as health insurance, FICA, retirement insurance, taxes, etc.

Travel

Description: Costs of project-related travel by employees of the applicant organization (does not include costs of consultant travel).

Justification: For each trip, show the total number of traveler(s), travel destination, duration of trip, per diem, mileage allowances, if privately owned vehicles will be used, and other transportation costs and subsistence allowances. Travel costs for key staff to attend ACF-sponsored workshops should be detailed in the budget.

Equipment

"Equipment" means an article of nonexpendable, tangible personal property having a useful life or more than one year and an acquisition cost which equals or exceeds the lesser of (a) the capitalization level established by the organization for the financial statement purposes, or (b) \$5,000. (Note: Acquisition cost means the net invoice unit price of an item of equipment, including the cost of any modifications, attachments, accessories, or auxiliary apparatus necessary to make it usable for the purpose for which it is acquired. Ancillary charges, such as taxes, duty, protective in-transit insurance, freight, and installation shall be included in or excluded from acquisition cost in accordance with the organization's regular written accounting practices.)

Justification: For each type of equipment requested, provide a description of the equipment, the cost per unit, the number of units, the total cost, and a plan for use on the project, as well as use or disposal of the equipment after the project ends. An applicant organization that uses its own definition for equipment should provide a copy of its policy or section of its policy which includes the equipment definition.

Supplies

Description: Costs of all tangible personal property other than that included under the Equipment category.

Justification: Specify general categories of supplies and their costs. Show computations and provide other information, which supports the amount requested.

Other

Enter the total of all other costs. Such costs, where applicable and appropriate, may include but are not limited to insurance, food, medical and dental costs (noncontractual), professional services costs, space and equipment rentals, printing and publication, computer use, training costs, such as tuition and stipends, staff development costs, and administrative costs.

Justification: Provide computations, a narrative description and a justification for each cost under this category.

Indirect Charges

Description: Total amount of indirect costs. This category should be used only when the applicant currently has an indirect cost rate approved by the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) or another cognizant Federal agency.

Justification: An applicant that will charge indirect costs to the grant must enclose a copy of the current rate agreement. If the applicant organization is in the process of initially developing or renegotiating a rate, it should immediately upon notification that an award will be made, develop a tentative indirect cost rate proposal based on its most recently completed fiscal year in accordance with the principles set forth in the cognizant agency's guidelines for establishing indirect cost rates, and submit it to the cognizant agency. Applicants awaiting approval of their indirect cost proposals may also request indirect costs. It should be noted that when an indirect cost rate is requested, those costs included in the indirect cost pool should not also be charged as direct costs to the grant. Also, if the applicant is requesting a rate which is less than what is allowed under the program, the authorized representative of the applicant organization must submit a signed acknowledgement that the applicant is accepting a lower rate than allowed.

Total Direct Charges, Total Indirect Charges, Total Project Costs.

Self-explanatory.

Part IV Evaluation Criteria**A. Review Criteria**

In considering how applicants will carry out the responsibilities addressed under this announcement, competing applications for financial assistance will be reviewed and evaluated against the following criteria:

Criterion 1. Objectives and Need for Assistance: (15 points)

The extent to which the application identifies relevant physical, economic, social, financial, institutional or other problems requiring a grant; demonstrates the need for assistance; states the principal and subordinate objectives of the project; provides supporting documentation or other testimonies from concerned interests other than the applicant.

Information provided in response to Part III, Section C. of this announcement will be used to evaluate applicants on this criterion.

Criterion 2. Results or Benefits Expected: (25 points)

The extent to which the application identifies the results and benefits to be derived; describes the anticipated contribution to policy, practice, theory and/or research; specific benefits should be described for Head Start and the whole early childhood community working with children birth through five.

The Head Start Bureau is particularly interested in the following:

1. Based on the stated program objectives, identify the results and benefits to be derived for Family Workers in Head Start, Early Head Start, and staff in other early childhood, child care and family support agencies.

2. Describe potential longer term benefits of this initiative, including enhancing participation and provision of higher education opportunities for family service staff; enhancement of relationships between higher education institutions and local early care and education programs, including Head Start; program quality, and practices and outcomes in early care child/family programs.

Information provided in response to Part III, Section D of this announcement will be used to evaluate applicants on this criterion.

Criterion 3. Approach: (50 points)

The extent to which the application outlines an acceptable plan of action pertaining to the scope of the project which details how the proposed work will be accomplished, including a timeline; lists of each organization, consultants, including the evaluator, or other key individuals who will work on the project along with a short description of the nature of their effort or contribution; assures the adequacy of time devoted to the project by key staff, the key staff should be knowledgeable of Head Start and Early Head Start, the applicant must fully describe the

approach and/or methodology and delineate the relationship of each task to the accomplishment of the proposed objectives. There should be evidence that the planned approach reflects sufficient input from collaborating partners.

The Head Start Bureau is particularly interested in the following:

1. Describe the applicants' experience and capabilities in providing training to family worker staff from Head Start and early childhood and family support programs.

2. Provide a discussion of the major current and emerging challenges facing family workers, and the challenges of delivering competency-based training to current staff members.

3. Describe the planning and development process the applicant will use to develop a final design/model program and describe how Head Start and other program family workers, managers and others will be involved.

4. Discuss how other career development and higher education organizations, institutions, and providers/partners or contributors may be involved in the planning and design phase, as well as in ongoing refinement and improvement of the desired model for curricula.

5. Propose and defend an initial overall professional development strategy for Head Start Family workers and other related early childhood higher education programs, including content, and sequence of development experience, and ways to encourage applications of new knowledge, standards and best practices to the instruction of participants and their sponsoring Head Start program. Include discussion of issues such as the admission/eligibility requirements, program scheduling, accessibility, and location of activities, including explicit approaches to supporting peer networking and mentoring of participants.

6. Provide assurance that training/courses are offered at the lowest reasonable justifiable cost to trainees.

7. Indicate initial plans for the recruitment and selection of faculty or trainers who would train Family Workers. Discuss how recruitment and selection process will attract faculty/trainers with demonstrated ability to respond to the growing diversity of the population of families and children served in Head Start, Early Head Start and other early care and education programs.

Information provided in response to Part III, Sections E, F and G of this announcement will be used to evaluate applicants on this criterion.

Criterion 4. Budget and Budget Justification: (10 points)

Provide line item detail and detailed calculations for each budget object class identified on the Budget Information form. Detailed calculations must include estimation methods, quantities, unit costs, and other similar quantitative detail sufficient for the calculation to be duplicated. The detailed budget must also include a breakout by the funding sources identified in Block 15 of the SF-424.

Provide a narrative budget justification that describes how the categorical costs are derived. Discuss the necessity, reasonableness and allocability of the proposed costs.

B. The Review Process

Applications received by the due date will be reviewed and scored competitively. Experts in the field, generally persons from outside the Federal government, will use the evaluation criteria listed in Part IV of this announcement to review and score the applications. The results of this review are a primary factor in making funding decisions. ACYF may also solicit comments from ACF Regional Office staff and other Federal agencies. The ACYF Commissioner may also consider a variety of all factors in funding decisions, including supporting a set of projects to serve Head Start programs and Family Workers in all geographic regions and representative of approaches to working with different types of Head Start programs, including Indian and Migrant grantees.

Part V. The Application Process

A. Required Forms

Eligible applicants interested in applying for funds must submit a complete application including the required forms included at the end of this program announcement in Appendix A. In order to be considered for a grant under this announcement, an application must be submitted on the Standard Form 424 approved by the Office of Management and Budget under Control Number 0348-0043. A copy has been provided. Each application must be signed by an individual authorized to act for the applicant and to assume responsibility for the obligations imposed by the terms and conditions of the grant award. Applicants requesting financial assistance for non-construction projects must file the Standard Form 424B, Assurances: Non-Construction Programs (approved by the Office of Management and Budget under control number 0348-0040). Applicants must sign and return the Standard Form 424B

with their application. Applicants must provide a certification concerning lobbying. Prior to receiving an award in excess of \$100,000, applicants shall furnish an executed copy of the lobbying certification (approved by the Office of Management and Budget under control number 0348-0046). Applicants must sign and return the certification with their application.

Applicants must make the appropriate certification of their compliance with the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988. By signing and submitting the application, applicants are providing the certification and need not mail back the certification with the application.

Applicants must make the appropriate certification that they are not presently debarred, suspended or otherwise ineligible for award. By signing and submitting the application, applicants are providing the certification and need not mail back the certification with the application.

Applicants must also understand that they will be held accountable for the smoking prohibition included within P.L. 103-227, Part C Environmental Tobacco Smoke (also known as The Pro-Children's Act of 1994). A copy of the **Federal Register** notice, which implements the smoking prohibition, is included with the forms. By signing and submitting the application, applicants are providing the certification and need not mail back the certification with the application.

B. Application Limits

The application should be double-spaced and single-sided on 8½" × 11" plain white paper, with 1" margins on all sides. Use only a standard size font no smaller than 12 pitch throughout the application. All pages of the application (including appendices, resumes, charts, references/footnotes, tables, maps and exhibits) must be sequentially numbered, beginning on the first page after the budget justification, the principal investigator contact information and the Table of Contents. Although there is no limitation regarding number of pages, applicants are urged to be concise and limit applications to no more than 50 pages. Applicants are requested not to send pamphlets, brochures, or other printed material along with their applications as these pose copying difficulties. These materials, if submitted, will not be included in the review process. In addition, applicants must not submit any additional letters of endorsement beyond any that may be required.

Applicants are encouraged to submit curriculum vitae in a biographical format. Please note that applicants that

do not comply with the requirements in the section on "Eligible Applicants" will not be included in the review process.

C. Checklist for a Complete Application

The checklist below is for your use to ensure that the application package has been properly prepared.

- One original, signed and dated application plus two copies.
- Attachments/Appendices, when included, should be used only to provide supporting documentation such as resumes, and letters of agreement/support.
- (1) Application for Federal Assistance (SF-424, Rev. 7-97)
- (2) Budget information-non-construction programs (SF424A&B)
- (3) Budget Justification, including subcontract agency budgets
- (4) Application Narrative and Appendices
- (5) Proof that the organization is a non-profit organization
- (6) Assurances Non-Construction Program
- (7) Certification Regarding Lobbying
- (8) If appropriate, a completed SPOC certification with the date of SPOC contact entered in line 16, page 1 of the SF-424, Rev. 7-97
- (9) Certification of Protection of Human Subjects

D. Closing Date for Receipt of Applications

The closing time and date for receipt of applications is 5:00 p.m. (Eastern Time Zone) on August 1, 2001. Mailed or handcarried applications received after 5:00 p.m. on the closing date will be classified as late.

Deadline: Mailed applications shall be considered as meeting an announced deadline if they are received on or before the deadline time and date at the ACF Operations Center, 1815 North Fort Myer Drive, Suite 300, Arlington, Virginia 22209. Applicants are responsible for mailing applications well in advance when using all mail services to ensure that the applications are received on or before the deadline time and date.

Applications handcarried by applicants, applicant couriers, or other representatives of the applicant or by overnight/express mail couriers shall be considered as meeting an announced deadline if they are received on or before the deadline date, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the ACF Operations Center, 1815 North Fort Myer Drive, Suite 300, Arlington, VA 22209, between Monday and Friday (excluding Federal Holidays).

Applicants are cautioned that express/overnight mail services may not always deliver as agreed.

ACF cannot accommodate the transmission of applications by FAX or through other electronic media. Therefore, applications transmitted to ACF electronically will not be accepted regardless of date or time of submission and time of receipt.

Late applications: Applications that do not meet the criteria stated above are considered late applications. ACF will notify each late applicant that its application will not be considered in the current competition.

Extension of deadlines: ACF may extend an application deadline for applicants affected by Acts of God such as floods and hurricanes, when there is widespread disruptions of mail service, or for other disruptions of services, such as a prolonged blackout, that affect the public at large. A determination to waive or to extend deadline requirements rests with the Chief Grants Management Officer.

E. Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13, the Department is required to submit to OMB for review and approval any reporting and record keeping requirements in regulations including program announcements. All information collections within this program announcement are approved under the following current valid OMB control numbers 0348-0043, 0348-0044, 03480-0040, 0348-0046, 0925-0418 and 0970-0139.

Public reporting burden for this collection is estimated to average 10 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining the data needed and reviewing the collection of information.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

F. Required Notification of the State Single Point of Contact

This program is covered under Executive Order 12372, Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs, and 45 CFR part 100, Intergovernmental Review of Department of Health and Human Services Program and Activities. Under the Order, States may design their own processes for reviewing and commenting on proposed Federal assistance under covered programs.

*All States and Territories except Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Colorado,

Connecticut, Hawaii, Idaho, Indiana, Kansas, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, Washington, Wyoming, and Palau have elected to participate in the Executive Order process and have established Single Points of Contact (SPOCs). Applicants from these twenty-seven jurisdictions need take no action regarding E.O. 12372. Applicants for projects to be administered by Federally-recognized Indian Tribes are also exempt from the requirements of E.O. 12372. Otherwise, applicants should contact their SPOCs as soon as possible to alert them of the prospective applications and receive any necessary instructions. Applicants must submit any required material to the SPOCs as soon as possible so that the program office can obtain and review SPOC comments as part of the award process. It is imperative that the applicant submit all required materials, if any, to the SPOC and indicate the date of this submittal (or the date of contact if no submittal is required) on the Standard Form 424, item 16a.

Under 45 CFR 100.8(a)(2), a SPOC has 60 days from the application deadline to comment on proposed new or competing continuation awards.

SPOCs are encouraged to eliminate the submission of routine endorsements as official recommendations.

Additionally, SPOCs are requested to clearly differentiate between mere advisory comments and those Official State process recommendations, which may trigger the accommodation or explain rule.

When comments are submitted directly to ACF, they should be addressed to William Wilson, Head Start Bureau, 330 C Street, SW, Washington, DC 20447, Attn: Head Start Family Worker Training and Credentialing Initiative. A list of Single Points of Contact for each State and Territory can be found on the web site: <http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/grants/spoc.html>

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Program Number 93.600, Project Head Start)

Dated: April 26, 2001.

Gail E. Collins,

Acting Deputy Commissioner, Administration on Children, Youth and Families.

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Appendix A—Application Forms, Certifications, Disclosures, and Assurances

APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE

OMB Approval No. 0348-0043

1. TYPE OF SUBMISSION: Application ☐ Construction ☐ Non-Construction Preapplication ☐ Construction ☐ Non-Construction		2. DATE SUBMITTED	Applicant Identifier
3. DATE RECEIVED BY STATE		State Application Identifier	
4. DATE RECEIVED BY FEDERAL AGENCY		Federal Identifier	
5. APPLICANT INFORMATION			
Legal Name:		Organizational Unit:	
Address (give city, county, State, and zip code):		Name and telephone number of person to be contacted on matters involving this application (give area code)	
6. EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER (EIN): -		7. TYPE OF APPLICANT: (enter appropriate letter in box) ☐	
8. TYPE OF APPLICATION: ☐ New ☐ Continuation ☐ Revision If Revision, enter appropriate letter(s) in box(es) ☐ ☐ A. Increase Award B. Decrease Award C. Increase Duration D. Decrease Duration Other(specify): _____		A. State B. County C. Municipal D. Township E. Interstate F. Intermunicipal G. Special District H. Independent School Dist. I. State Controlled Institution of Higher Learning J. Private University K. Indian Tribe L. Individual M. Profit Organization N. Other (Specify) _____	
10. CATALOG OF FEDERAL DOMESTIC ASSISTANCE NUMBER: -		9. NAME OF FEDERAL AGENCY:	
12. AREAS AFFECTED BY PROJECT (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):		11. DESCRIPTIVE TITLE OF APPLICANT'S PROJECT:	
13. PROPOSED PROJECT		14. CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF:	
Start Date	Ending Date	a. Applicant	b. Project
15. ESTIMATED FUNDING:		16. IS APPLICATION SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS?	
a. Federal	\$.00	a. YES. THIS PREAPPLICATION/APPLICATION WAS MADE AVAILABLE TO THE STATE EXECUTIVE ORDER 12372 PROCESS FOR REVIEW ON: DATE _____	
b. Applicant	\$.00	b. No. ☐ PROGRAM IS NOT COVERED BY E. O. 12372 ☐ OR PROGRAM HAS NOT BEEN SELECTED BY STATE FOR REVIEW	
c. State	\$.00	17. IS THE APPLICANT DELINQUENT ON ANY FEDERAL DEBT? ☐ Yes If "Yes," attach an explanation. ☐ No	
d. Local	\$.00		
e. Other	\$.00		
f. Program Income	\$.00		
g. TOTAL	\$.00		
18. TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, ALL DATA IN THIS APPLICATION/PREAPPLICATION ARE TRUE AND CORRECT, THE DOCUMENT HAS BEEN DULY AUTHORIZED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE APPLICANT AND THE APPLICANT WILL COMPLY WITH THE ATTACHED ASSURANCES IF THE ASSISTANCE IS AWARDED.			
a. Type Name of Authorized Representative		b. Title	c. Telephone Number
d. Signature of Authorized Representative		e. Date Signed	

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This is a standard form used by applicants as a required facesheet for preapplications and applications submitted for Federal assistance. It will be used by Federal agencies to obtain applicant certification that States which have established a review and comment procedure in response to Executive Order 12372 and have selected the program to be included in their process, have been given an opportunity to review the applicant's submission.

- | Item: | Entry: | Item: | Entry: |
|-------|---|-------|--|
| 1. | Self-explanatory. | 12. | List only the largest political entities affected (e.g., State, counties, cities). |
| 2. | Date application submitted to Federal agency (or State if applicable) and applicant's control number (if applicable). | 13. | Self-explanatory. |
| 3. | State use only (if applicable). | 14. | List the applicant's Congressional District and any District(s) affected by the program or project. |
| 4. | If this application is to continue or revise an existing award, enter present Federal identifier number. If for a new project, leave blank. | 15. | Amount requested or to be contributed during the first funding/budget period by each contributor. Value of in-kind contributions should be included on appropriate lines as applicable. If the action will result in a dollar change to an existing award, indicate <u>only</u> the amount of the change. For decreases, enclose the amounts in parentheses. If both basic and supplemental amounts are included, show breakdown on an attached sheet. For multiple program funding, use totals and show breakdown using same categories as item 15. |
| 5. | Legal name of applicant, name of primary organizational unit which will undertake the assistance activity, complete address of the applicant, and name and telephone number of the person to contact on matters related to this application. | 16. | Applicants should contact the State Single Point of Contact (SPOC) for Federal Executive Order 12372 to determine whether the application is subject to the State intergovernmental review process. |
| 6. | Enter Employer Identification Number (EIN) as assigned by the Internal Revenue Service. | 17. | This question applies to the applicant organization, not the person who signs as the authorized representative. Categories of debt include delinquent audit disallowances, loans and taxes. |
| 7. | Enter the appropriate letter in the space provided. | 18. | To be signed by the authorized representative of the applicant. A copy of the governing body's <u>authorization for you to sign this application as official representative must be on file in the applicant's office.</u> (Certain Federal agencies may require that this authorization be submitted as part of the application.) |
| 8. | Check appropriate box and enter appropriate letter(s) in the space(s) provided:

-- "New" means a new assistance award.

-- "Continuation" means an extension for an additional funding/budget period for a project with a projected completion date.

-- "Revision" means any change in the Federal Government's financial obligation or contingent liability from an existing obligation. | | |
| 9. | Name of Federal agency from which assistance is being requested with this application. | | |
| 10. | Use the Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number and title of the program under which assistance is requested. | | |
| 11. | Enter a brief descriptive title of the project. If more than one program is involved, you should append an explanation on a separate sheet. If appropriate (e.g., construction or real property projects), attach a map showing project location. For preapplications, use a separate sheet to provide a summary description of this project. | | |

BUDGET INFORMATION - Non-Construction Programs

OMB Approval No. 0348-0044

SECTION A - BUDGET SUMMARY						
Grant Program Function or Activity (a)	Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number (b)	Estimated Unobligated Funds		New or Revised Budget		
		Federal (c)	Non-Federal (d)	Federal (e)	Non-Federal (f)	Total (g)
1.		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
2.						
3.						
4.						
5. Totals		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

SECTION B - BUDGET CATEGORIES					
Object Class Categories	GRANT PROGRAM, FUNCTION OR ACTIVITY				Total (5)
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	
a. Personnel	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
b. Fringe Benefits					
c. Travel					
d. Equipment					
e. Supplies					
f. Contractual					
g. Construction					
h. Other					
i. Total Direct Charges (sum of 6a-6h)					
j. Indirect Charges					
k. TOTALS (sum of 6i and 6j)	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
7. Program Income	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

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SECTION C - NON-FEDERAL RESOURCES					
(a) Grant Program	(b) Applicant	(c) State	(d) Other Sources	(e) TOTALS	
8.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
9.					
10.					
11.					
12. TOTAL (sum of lines 8-11)	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
SECTION D - FORECASTED CASH NEEDS					
Total for 1st Year	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	
13. Federal	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
14. Non-Federal					
15. TOTAL (sum of lines 13 and 14)	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
SECTION E - BUDGET ESTIMATES OF FEDERAL FUNDS NEEDED FOR BALANCE OF THE PROJECT					
(a) Grant Program	FUTURE FUNDING PERIODS (Years)				
	(b) First	(c) Second	(d) Third	(e) Fourth	
16.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
17.					
18.					
19.					
20. TOTAL (sum of lines 16-19)	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
SECTION F - OTHER BUDGET INFORMATION					
21. Direct Charges:	22. Indirect Charges:				
23. Remarks:					

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General Instructions

This form is designed so that application can be made for funds from one or more grant programs. In preparing the budget, adhere to any existing Federal grantor agency guidelines which prescribe how and whether budgeted amounts should be separately shown for different functions or activities within the program. For some programs, grantor agencies may require budgets to be separately shown by function or activity. For other programs, grantor agencies may require a breakdown by function or activity. Sections A, B, C, and D should include budget estimates for the whole project except when applying for assistance which requires Federal authorization in annual or other funding period increments. In the latter case, Sections A, B, C, and D should provide the budget for the first budget period (usually a year) and Section E should present the need for Federal assistance in the subsequent budget periods. All applications should contain a breakdown by the object class categories shown in Lines a-k of Section B.

Section A. Budget Summary Lines 1-4 Columns (a) and (b)

For applications pertaining to a *single* Federal grant program (Federal Domestic Assistance Catalog number) and *not requiring* a functional or activity breakdown, enter on Line 1 under Column (a) the Catalog program title and the Catalog number in Column (b).

For applications pertaining to a *single program requiring* budget amounts by multiple functions or activities, enter the name of each activity or function on each line in Column (a), and enter the Catalog number in Column (b). For applications pertaining to multiple programs where none of the programs require a breakdown by function or activity, enter the Catalog program title on each line in Column (a) and the respective Catalog number on each line in Column (b).

For applications pertaining to *multiple* programs where one or more programs *require* a breakdown by function or activity, prepare a separate sheet for each program requiring the breakdown. Additional sheets should be used when one form does not provide adequate space for all breakdown of data required. However, when more than one sheet is used, the first page should provide the summary totals by programs.

Lines 1-4, Columns (c) through (g)

For *new applications*, leave Column (c) and (d) blank. For each line entry in Columns (a) and (b), enter in Columns (e), (f), and (g) the appropriate amounts of funds needed to support the project for the first funding period (usually a year).

For *continuing grant program applications*, submit these forms before the end of each funding period as required by the grantor agency. Enter in Columns (c) and (d) the estimated amounts of funds which will remain unobligated at the end of the grant funding period only if the Federal grantor agency instructions provide for this. Otherwise, leave these columns blank. Enter in columns (e) and (f) the amounts of funds needed for the upcoming period. The amount(s) in Column (g) should be the sum of amounts in Columns (e) and (f).

For *supplemental grants and changes* to existing grants, do not use Columns (c) and (d). Enter in Column (e) the amount of the increase or decrease of Federal funds and enter in Column (f) the amount of the increase or decrease of non-Federal funds. In Column (g) enter the new total budgeted amount (Federal and non-Federal) which includes the total previous authorized budgeted amounts plus or minus, as appropriate, the amounts shown in Columns (e) and (f). The amount(s) in Column (g) should not equal the sum of amounts in Columns (e) and (f).

Line 5 - Show the totals for all columns used.

Section B Budget Categories

In the column headings (1) through (4), enter the titles of the same programs, functions, and activities shown on Lines 1-4, Column (a), Section A. When additional sheets are prepared for Section A, provide similar column headings on each sheet. For each program, function or activity, fill in the total requirements for funds (both Federal and non-Federal) by object class categories.

Line 6a-i - Show the totals of Lines 6a to 6h in each column.

Line 6j - Show the amount of indirect cost.

Line 6k - Enter the total of amounts on Lines 6i and 6j. For all applications for new grants and continuation grants the total amount in column (5), Line 6k, should be the same as the total amount shown in Section A, Column (g), Line 5. For supplemental grants and changes to grants, the total amount of the increase or decrease as shown in Columns (1)-(4), Line 6k should be the same as the sum of the amounts in Section A, Columns (e) and (f) on Line 5.

Line 7 - Enter the estimated amount of income, if any, expected to be generated from this project. Do not add or subtract this amount from the total project amount. Show under the program

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narrative statement the nature and source of income. The estimated amount of program income may be considered by the Federal grantor agency in determining the total amount of the grant.

Section C. Non-Federal Resources

Lines 8-11 Enter amounts of non-Federal resources that will be used on the grant. If in-kind contributions are included, provide a brief explanation on a separate sheet.

Column (a) - Enter the program titles identical to Column (a), Section A. A breakdown by function or activity is not necessary.

Column (b) - Enter the contribution to be made by the applicant.

Column (c) - Enter the amount of the State's cash and in-kind contribution if the applicant is not a State or State agency. Applicants which are a State or State agencies should leave this column blank.

Column (d) - Enter the amount of cash and in-kind contributions to be made from all other sources.

Column (e) - Enter totals of Columns (b), (c), and (d).

Line 12 - Enter the total for each of Columns (b)-(e). The amount in Column (e) should be equal to the amount on Line 5, Column (f), Section A.

Section D. Forecasted Cash Needs

Line 13 - Enter the amount of cash needed by quarter from the grantor agency during the first year.

Line 14 - Enter the amount of cash from all other sources needed by quarter during the first year.

Line 15 - Enter the totals of amounts on Lines 13 and 14.

Section E. Budget Estimates of Federal Funds Needed for Balance of the Project

Lines 16-19 - Enter in Column (a) the same grant program titles shown in Column (a), Section A. A breakdown by function or activity is not necessary. For new applications and continuation grant applications, enter in the proper columns amounts of Federal funds which will be needed to complete the program or project over the succeeding funding periods (usually in years). This section need not be completed for revisions (amendments, changes, or supplements) to funds for the current year of existing grants.

If more than four lines are needed to list the program titles, submit additional schedules as necessary.

Line 20 - Enter the total for each of the Columns (b)-(e). When additional schedules are prepared for this Section, annotate accordingly and show the overall totals on this line.

Section F. Other Budget Information

Line 21 - Use this space to explain amounts for individual direct object class cost categories that may appear to be out of the ordinary or to explain the details as required by the Federal grantor agency.

Line 22 - Enter the type of indirect rate (provisional, predetermined, final or fixed) that will be in effect during the funding period, the estimated amount of the base to which the rate is applied, and the total indirect expense.

Line 23 - Provide any other explanations or comments deemed necessary.

ASSURANCES - NON-CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS

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NOTE: Certain of these assurances may not be applicable to your project or program. If you have questions, please contact the awarding agency. Further, certain Federal awarding agencies may require applicants to certify to additional assurances. If such is the case, you will be notified.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project cost) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of the project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, through any authorized representative, access to and the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the award; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes—or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
4. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
5. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards for merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
6. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to nondiscrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681-1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§290 dd-3 and 290 ee 3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and, (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.
7. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal or federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
8. Will comply, as applicable, with provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§1501-1508 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.

9. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §276c and 18 U.S.C. §874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327-333), regarding labor standards for federally-assisted construction subagreements.
10. Will comply, if applicable, with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
11. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) Implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
12. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
13. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§469a-1 et seq.).
14. Will comply with P.L. 93-348 regarding the protection of human subjects involved in research, development, and related activities supported by this award of assistance.
15. Will comply with the Laboratory Animal Welfare Act of 1966 (P.L. 89-544, as amended, 7 U.S.C. §§2131 et seq.) pertaining to the care, handling, and treatment of warm blooded animals held for research, teaching, or other activities supported by this award of assistance.
16. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
17. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
18. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL	TITLE	
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION		DATE SUBMITTED

**Administration for Children, Youth, and Families
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services**

CERTIFICATION REGARDING DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE REQUIREMENTS

This certification is required by the regulations implementing the Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988: 45 CFR Part 76, Subpart, F. Sections 76.630(c) and (d)(2) and 76.645(a)(1) and (b) provide that a Federal agency may designate a central receipt point for STATE-WIDE AND STATE AGENCY-WIDE certifications, and for notification of criminal drug convictions. For the Department of Health and Human Services, the central point is: Division of Grants Management and Oversight, Office of Management and Acquisition, Department of Health and Human Services, Room 517-D, 200 Independence Avenue, SW Washington, DC 20201.

Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements (Instructions for Certification)

1. By signing and/or submitting this application or grant agreement, the grantee is providing the certification set out below.
2. The certification set out below is a material representation of fact upon which reliance is placed when the agency awards the grant. If it is later determined that the grantee knowingly rendered a false certification, or otherwise violates the requirements of the Drug-Free Workplace Act, the agency, in addition to any other remedies available to the Federal Government, may take action authorized under the Drug-Free Workplace Act.
3. For grantees other than individuals, Alternate I applies.
4. For grantees who are individuals, Alternate II applies.
5. Workplaces under grants, for grantees other than individuals, need not be identified on the certification. If known, they may be identified in the grant application. If the grantee does not identify the workplaces at the time of application, or upon award, if there is no application, the grantee must keep the identity of the workplace(s) on file in its office and make the information available for Federal inspection. Failure to identify all known workplaces constitutes a violation of the grantee's drug-free workplace requirements.
6. Workplace identifications must include the actual address of buildings (or parts of buildings) or other sites where work under the grant takes place. Categorical descriptions may be used (e.g., all vehicles of a mass transit authority or State highway department while in operation, State employees in each local unemployment office, performers in concert halls or radio studios).
7. If the workplace identified to the agency changes during the performance of the grant, the grantee shall inform the agency of the change(s), if it previously identified the workplaces in question (see paragraph five).
8. Definitions of terms in the Nonprocurement Suspension and Debarment common rule and Drug-Free Workplace common rule apply to this certification. Grantees' attention is called, in particular, to the following definitions from these rules:

Controlled substance means a controlled substance in Schedules I through V of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 812) and as further defined by regulation (21 CFR 1308.11 through 1308.15);

Conviction means a finding of guilt (including a plea of nolo contendere) or imposition of sentence, or both, by any judicial body charged with the responsibility to determine violations of the Federal or State criminal drug statutes;

Criminal drug statute means a Federal or non-Federal criminal statute involving the manufacture, distribution, dispensing, use, or possession of any controlled substance;

Employee means the employee of a grantee directly engaged in the performance of work under a grant, including: (i) All direct charge employees; (ii) All indirect charge employees unless their impact or involvement is insignificant to

the performance of the grant; and, (iii) Temporary personnel and consultants who are directly engaged in the performance of work under the grant and who are on the grantee's payroll. This definition does not include workers not on the payroll of the grantee (e.g., volunteers, even if used to meet a matching requirement; consultants or independent contractors not on the grantee's payroll; or employees of subrecipients or subcontractors in covered workplaces).

Certification Regarding Drug-Free Workplace Requirements

Alternate I. (Grantees Other Than Individuals)

The grantee certifies that it will or will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:

(a) Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;

(b) Establishing an ongoing drug-free awareness program to inform employees about -- (1) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace; (2) The grantee's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace; (3) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation, and employee assistance programs; and (4) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;

(c) Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (a);

(d) Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (a) that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will -- (1) Abide by the terms of the statement; and (2) Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction;

(e) Notifying the agency in writing, within ten calendar days after receiving notice under paragraph (d)(2) from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers of convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to every grant officer or other designee on whose grant activity the convicted employee was working, unless the Federal agency has designated a central point for the receipt of such notices. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant;

(f) Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under paragraph (d)(2), with respect to any employee who is so convicted -- (1) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or (2) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance or rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;

(g) Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f).

(B) The grantee may insert in the space provided below the site(s) for the performance of work done in connection with the specific grant:

Place of Performance (Street address, city, county, state, zip code)

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Check if there are workplaces on file that are not identified here.

Alternate II. (Grantees Who Are Individuals)

(a) The grantee certifies that, as a condition of the grant, he or she will not engage in the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance in conducting any activity with the grant.

(b) If convicted of a criminal drug offense resulting from a violation occurring during the conduct of any grant activity, he or she will report the conviction, in writing, within 10 calendar days of the conviction, to every grant officer or other designee, unless the Federal agency designates a central point for the receipt of such notices. When notice is made to such a central point, it shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant.

[55 FR 21690, 21702, May 25, 1990]

**Administration for Children, Youth, and Families
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services****CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS****Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters--Primary Covered Transactions****Instructions for Certification**

1. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective primary participant is providing the certification set out below.
2. The inability of a person to provide the certification required below will not necessarily result in denial of participation in this covered transaction. The prospective participant shall submit an explanation of why it cannot provide the certification set out below. The certification or explanation will be considered in connection with the department or agency's determination whether to enter into this transaction. However, failure of the prospective primary participant to furnish a certification or an explanation shall disqualify such person from participation in this transaction.
3. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when the department or agency determined to enter into this transaction. If it is later determined that the prospective primary participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default.
4. The prospective primary participant shall provide immediate written notice to the department or agency to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective primary participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
5. The terms covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, participant, person, primary covered transaction, principal, proposal, and voluntarily excluded, as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of the rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the department or agency to which this proposal is being submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.
6. The prospective primary participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency entering into this transaction.
7. The prospective primary participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," provided by the department or agency entering into this covered transaction, without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
8. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and

Nonprocurement Programs.

9. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

10. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 6 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency may terminate this transaction for cause or default.

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Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, and Other Responsibility Matters--Primary Covered Transactions

(1) The prospective primary participant certifies to the best of its knowledge and belief, that it and its principals:

(a) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded by any Federal department or agency;

(b) Have not within a three-year period preceding this proposal been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

(c) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (1)(b) of this certification; and

(d) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application/proposal had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default.

(2) Where the prospective primary participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion--Lower Tier Covered Transactions

Instructions for Certification

1. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.

2. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

3. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or had become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

4. The terms covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, participant, person, primary covered transaction, principal, proposal, and voluntarily excluded, as used in this clause, have the meaning set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.

5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.

6. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include this clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered

Transaction," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.

7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Nonprocurement Programs.

8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

9. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR part 9, subpart 9.4, suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

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Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion--Lower Tier Covered Transactions

(1) The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.

(2) Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

**Administration for Children, Youth, and Families
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services**

CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

(1) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.

(2) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.

(3) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subcontracts, subgrants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Statement for Loan Guarantees and Loan Insurance

The undersigned states, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

If any funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this commitment providing for the United States to insure or guarantee a loan, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions. Submission of this statement is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required statement shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

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Signature

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Title

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Organization

DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

Complete this form to disclose lobbying activities pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352

Approved by OMB

0348-0046

(See reverse for public burden disclosure.)

1. Type of Federal Action: ☐ a. contract ☐ b. grant ☐ c. cooperative agreement ☐ d. loan ☐ e. loan guarantee ☐ f. loan insurance	2. Status of Federal Action: ☐ a. bid/offer/application ☐ b. initial award ☐ c. post-award	3. Report Type: ☐ a. initial filing ☐ b. material change For Material Change Only: year _____ quarter _____ date of last report _____
4. Name and Address of Reporting Entity: ☐ Prime ☐ Subawardee Tier _____, if known: Congressional District, if known:		5. If Reporting Entity in No. 4 is a Subawardee, Enter Name and Address of Prime: Congressional District, if known:
6. Federal Department/Agency:	7. Federal Program Name/Description: CFDA Number, if applicable: _____	
8. Federal Action Number, if known:	9. Award Amount, if known: \$	
10. a. Name and Address of Lobbying Registrant <i>(if individual, last name, first name, MI):</i>	b. Individuals Performing Services <i>(including address if different from No. 10a)</i> <i>(last name, first name, MI):</i>	
11. Information requested through this form is authorized by title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. This disclosure of lobbying activities is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed by the tier above when this transaction was made or entered into. This disclosure is required pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352. This information will be reported to the Congress semi-annually and will be available for public inspection. Any person who fails to file the required disclosure shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.	Signature: _____ Print Name: _____ Title: _____ Telephone No.: _____ Date: _____	
Federal Use Only:		Authorized for Local Reproduction Standard Form LLL (Rev. 7-97)

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF SF-LLL, DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

This disclosure form shall be completed by the reporting entity, whether subawardee or prime Federal recipient, at the initiation or receipt of a covered Federal action, or a material change to a previous filing, pursuant to title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. The filing of a form is required for each payment or agreement to make payment to any lobbying entity for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with a covered Federal action. Complete all items that apply for both the initial filing and material change report. Refer to the implementing guidance published by the Office of Management and Budget for additional information.

1. Identify the type of covered Federal action for which lobbying activity is and/or has been secured to influence the outcome of a covered Federal action.
2. Identify the status of the covered Federal action.
3. Identify the appropriate classification of this report. If this is a followup report caused by a material change to the information previously reported, enter the year and quarter in which the change occurred. Enter the date of the last previously submitted report by this reporting entity for this covered Federal action.
4. Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the reporting entity. Include Congressional District, if known. Check the appropriate classification of the reporting entity that designates if it is, or expects to be, a prime or subaward recipient. Identify the tier of the subawardee, e.g., the first subawardee of the prime is the 1st tier. Subawards include but are not limited to subcontracts, subgrants and contract awards under grants.
5. If the organization filing the report in item 4 checks "Subawardee," then enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the prime Federal recipient. Include Congressional District, if known.
6. Enter the name of the Federal agency making the award or loan commitment. Include at least one organizational level below agency name, if known. For example, Department of Transportation, United States Coast Guard.
7. Enter the Federal program name or description for the covered Federal action (item 1). If known, enter the full Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and loan commitments.
8. Enter the most appropriate Federal identifying number available for the Federal action identified in item 1 (e.g., Request for Proposal (RFP) number; Invitation for Bid (IFB) number; grant announcement number; the contract, grant, or loan award number; the application/proposal control number assigned by the Federal agency). Include prefixes, e.g., "RFP-DE-90-001."
9. For a covered Federal action where there has been an award or loan commitment by the Federal agency, enter the Federal amount of the award/loan commitment for the prime entity identified in item 4 or 5.
10. (a) Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the lobbying registrant under the Lobbying Disclosure Act of 1995 engaged by the reporting entity identified in item 4 to influence the covered Federal action.

(b) Enter the full names of the individual(s) performing services, and include full address if different from 10 (a). Enter Last Name, First Name, and Middle Initial (MI).
11. The certifying official shall sign and date the form, print his/her name, title, and telephone number.

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CERTIFICATION REGARDING ENVIRONMENTAL TOBACCO SMOKE

Public Law 103227, Part C Environmental Tobacco Smoke, also known as the Pro Children Act of 1994, requires that smoking not be permitted in any portion of any indoor routinely owned or leased or contracted for by an entity and used routinely or regularly for provision of health, day care, education, or library services to children under the age of 18, if the services are funded by Federal programs either directly or through State or local governments, by Federal grant, contract, loan, or loan guarantee. The law does not apply to children's services provided in private residences, facilities funded solely by Medicare or Medicaid funds, and portions of facilities used for inpatient drug or alcohol treatment. Failure to comply with the provisions of the law may result in the imposition of a civil monetary penalty of up to \$1000 per day and/or the imposition of an administrative compliance order on the responsible entity. By signing and submitting this application the applicant/grantee certifies that it will comply with the requirements of the Act.

The applicant/grantee further agrees that it will require the language of this certification be included in any subawards which contain provisions for the children's services and that all subgrantees shall certify accordingly.

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It is estimated that in 2001 the Federal Government will outlay \$305.6 billion in grants to State and local governments. Executive Order 12372, "Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs" was issued with the desire to foster the intergovernmental partnership and strengthen federalism by relying on State and local processes for the coordination and review of proposed Federal financial assistance and direct Federal development. The Order allows each State to designate an entity to perform this function. Below is the official list of those entities. For those States that have a home page for their designated entity, a direct link has been provided below. States that are not listed on this page have chosen not to participate in the intergovernmental review process, and therefore do not have a SPOC. If you are located within one of these States, you may still send application materials directly to a Federal awarding agency.

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Appendix B—Competency Goals and Indicators for Head Start Staff Working With Families

The "Competency Goals and Indicators for Head Start Staff Working with Families" described on the following pages are intended to define competencies and skills for entry-level staff who are working directly with families under ongoing supervision in furtherance of their professional development. Family Workers should be able to demonstrate their ability to provide services consistent with the requirements of the Head Start Program Performance Standards.

Today's workers are expected to exhibit a new level of professionalism to effectively support today's families. Increasingly, new organizational structures and innovative service models within Head Start require workers to:

- Develop respectful relationships with families which evolve into an individualized family partnering process which addresses the parent's role in supporting child development goals, health and disabilities goals, as well as traditional social services, family development, and parent involvement goals.

- Work in partnership with families and other community providers to develop family partnership agreements and to integrate this process into family plans when appropriate.

- Support families in their efforts to obtain employment and move towards self-sufficiency.

- Provide a new level of service in the area of family literacy, reflective of the intent of the current Head Start Program Performance Standards.

Appendix B as follows:

• Reflects the Head Start Program Performance Standards

• Reflects the latest thinking in the family support field including strength-based, family centered principles, and

• Includes new areas of competency in response to the changing role of family support staff

Indicators are listed for each area of competency. These Indicators provide a mechanism to measure individuals seeking

demonstrable competency in each of the competency goal areas.

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COMPETENCY GOALS AND INDICATORS FOR HEAD START STAFF WORKING WITH FAMILIES

Competency Goal #1: **Establish mutually respectful partnerships with families to enhance the quality of their lives and their communities.**

Indicators: *Head Start staff working with families should demonstrate their ability to do the following:*

- ◆ Conduct outreach, recruitment, and enrollment;
- ◆ Provide orientation on philosophy of program and services provided;
- ◆ Establish and maintain ongoing partnerships based on trust with families;
- ◆ Communicate effectively using appropriate verbal and nonverbal messages and reflective listening skills;
- ◆ Implement strategies including home visits to learn about families and the changing community.

Competency Goal #2: **Support families' efforts to reach their goals.**

Indicators: *Head Start staff working with families should demonstrate their ability to do the following:*

- ◆ Develop strengths-based assessments with families that describe their goals, strengths, resources and support networks, as well as necessary services and supports;
- ◆ Develop, in partnership with the family, an individualized family plan;
- ◆ Facilitate families' problem-solving and teach problem-solving skills;
- ◆ Coach, consult, educate, and utilize counseling skills, where appropriate;
- ◆ Advocate for the family and support them in advocating for themselves;
- ◆ Follow-up with the family on the progress toward meeting their goals and any needed revisions to the plan;
- ◆ Assist with transitions to other programs, communities and schools.

Competency Goal #3: **Offer parents opportunities to be involved in group activities, including policy groups and educational activities based on interest and need.**

Indicators: *Head Start staff working with families should demonstrate their ability to do the following:*

- ◆ Identify common interests and needs of parents in order to plan appropriate activities;
- ◆ Work with parent groups on group formation, group processing, and leadership
- ◆ Provide and/or coordinate training and educational opportunities for parents; and
- ◆ Engage parents in volunteering, community service and other ways of contributing to program activities and services.

Competency Goal #4: **Provide opportunities for children and families to participate in family literacy services.**

Indicators: *Head Start staff working with families should demonstrate their ability to do the following:*

- ◆ Work with other program staff to support interactive literacy activities between parents and their children;
- ◆ Provide training for parents in how to be the primary teacher for their children and full partners in the education of their children;
- ◆ Assist parents as adult learners to recognize and address their own literacy goals; and
- ◆ Link and support parents in engaging in literacy training that contributes to self-sufficiency.

Competency Goal #5: **Coordinate and integrate Head Start services in order to enhance effectiveness.**

Indicators: *Head Start staff working with families should demonstrate their ability to do the following:*

- ◆ Serve as a productive team member on an interdisciplinary team of professionals;
- ◆ Participate in and facilitate case conferences to promote service integration;
- ◆ Apply knowledge of health, mental health, disabilities, and child development in order to ensure holistic service delivery;
- ◆ Promote and support parent involvement and leadership throughout the program.

Competency Goal #6: Support families in accessing other community resources.

Indicators: *Head Start staff working with families should demonstrate their ability to do the following:*

- ◆ Research and keep up-to-date on program and community resources;
- ◆ Analyze match of community resources to family needs and identify unmet family needs.
- ◆ Refer families to community resources and follow-up on the effectiveness of referrals; and
- ◆ Promote community partnerships that will improve supports to families.

Competency Goal #7: Assist families in crisis.

Indicators: *Head Start staff working with families should demonstrate their ability to do the following:*

- ◆ Listen to families and assess the crisis situation;
- ◆ Take active steps to ensure the safety of all involved;
- ◆ Decide when to intervene and when to refer a family;
- ◆ Identify (with the family) options, resources, and consequences to address the crisis; and
- ◆ Support families in making decisions and taking active steps to resolve current crises and be prepared to address future crises;

Competency Goal #8: Respect and respond competently to the culture, traditions, lifestyle, language, and values of each family and community.

Indicators: *Head Start staff working with families should demonstrate their ability to do the following:*

- ◆ Be knowledgeable about and sensitive to each family's values, beliefs, traditions, cultural influences, makeup, and circumstances;
- ◆ Work with families representing different cultures using a culturally competent and flexible approach.
- ◆ Identify and reflect on personal values, experiences and biases that facilitate and present barriers in working with certain groups of people.

Competency Goal #9**Contribute to effective program practices and maintain a commitment to professionalism.**

Indicators: *Head Start staff working with families should demonstrate their ability to do the following:*

- ◆ Perform record-keeping and internal and external reporting tasks in a timely and objective fashion;
- ◆ Effectively utilize supervisory professional development and technical assistance resources to improve competence;
- ◆ Contribute to and participate in strategic planning, program self-assessment and other efforts to improve program services and agency responsiveness to families;
- ◆ Make decisions and act based on family support principles, theories, practices, and code of ethics;
- ◆ Articulate an awareness of self, values, and ethics as they impact on work with families; and
- ◆ Maintain professional boundaries and confidentiality.

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