

**Child Abuse and Neglect Discretionary Activities**

Number: 93.670

Agency: Department of Health and Human Services

Office: Administration for Children and Families

PROGRAM INFORMATION**Authorization (040):**

Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act of 1978, Title I, as amended, Public Law 111-320, The CAPTA Reauthorization Act of 2010., 42 U.S.C 5101 et seq.

Objectives (050):

To improve the national, State, and community activities for the prevention, assessment, identification, and treatment of child abuse and neglect through research, demonstration, service improvement, evaluation of best practices, dissemination of information, and technical assistance.

Types of Assistance (060):

PROJECT GRANTS

Uses and Use Restrictions (070):

To award grants and contracts to : (1) Provide technical assistance to public and private nonprofit agencies; (2) conduct research and service demonstration projects to identify, assess, prevent and treat child abuse and neglect, which may include the nature and scope of effective practices relating to differential response, child abuse and neglect issues facing Native American, Alaskan Native and Native Hawaiians, the impact of child abuse and neglect on the incidence and the progression of disabilities; effective approaches to inter-agency collaboration between child protection , juvenile justice and domestic violence providers; (3)research on the incidence, consequences and prevalence of child abuse and neglect, and (4) disseminate information on the incidence, causes, prevention and treatment of child abuse and neglect which may include the dissemination of best practices to meet the needs of special populations.

Eligibility Requirements (080)**Applicant Eligibility (081):**

Grants: States, local governments, tribes, public agencies or private agencies or organizations (or combinations of such agencies or organizations)engaged in activities related to the prevention, identification, and treatment of child abuse and neglect. Contracts: Public and private agencies.

Beneficiary Eligibility (082):

Children that have been abused or neglected, or that are at-risk for abuse or neglect, and their families.

Credentials/Documentation (083):

Nonprofit agencies must submit proof of nonprofit status. Applicable costs and administrative procedures will be determined in accordance with Parts 74 and 92 of Title 45 of the Code of Federal Regulations. OMB Circular No. A-87 applies to this program.

Application and Award Process (090)**Preapplication Coordination (091):**

Pre-application assistance may be available. Applicants may refer to the Funding Opportunity Announcement on www.Grants.gov for further information. Environmental impact information is not required for this program. This program is eligible for coverage under E.O. 12372, "Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs." An applicant should consult the office or official designated as the single point of contact in his or her State for more information on the process the State requires to be followed in applying for assistance, if the State has selected the program for review.

Application Procedures (092):

OMB Circular No. A-102 applies to this program. OMB Circular No. A-110 applies to this program. Announcement of availability of funds is published on grants.gov and the ACF web-site, www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open. Eligible applicants must submit applications by specified deadlines.

Award Procedure (093):

Grant applications are reviewed by a panel of nonfederal professionals with expertise in the child abuse and neglect field. Final decisions are made by the Commissioner, Administration for Children, Youth and Families (ACYF). Contract proposals are reviewed by a panel of Federal staff.

Deadlines (094):

Contact the headquarters or regional office, as appropriate, for application deadlines.

Range of Approval/Disapproval Time (095):

From 90 to 120 days. Deadlines change from year to year. Each program announcement provides specific deadline information. Contact Headquarters Office for details.

Appeals (096):

Appeals are processed in accordance with HHS regulations in 45 CFR Part 16.

Renewals (097):

Some projects are awarded with a provision for non-competitive renewal. Most grants are one-time awards. Renewals may be subject to a competitive process.

Assistance Consideration (100)**Formula and Matching Requirements (101):**

This program has no statutory formula.

Matching Requirements: Matching requirements are described in each program announcement.

MOE requirements are not applicable to this program.

Length and Time Phasing of Assistance (102):

Grants are generally available for a 12, 24, 36 or 60-month period. Renewal funding for multiple-year grants is dependent upon grantee performance and availability of funds. See the following for information on how assistance is awarded/released: Grant awards are managed by a payment management system that manages grant payment requests, drawdowns, and disbursements.

Post Assistance Requirements (110)

Reports (111):

Program reports -- Grantees are required to submit semi-annual program reports every six months. Final program reports are due 90 days after completion of the grant.

Financial reports -- Grantees are required to submit semi-annual financial reports. Final Financial reports are due 90 days after completion of the grant. Cash reports -- SF-425. Progress reports -- Grantees are required to submit semi-annual progress reports every six months. Final progress reports are due 90 days after completion of the grant. Expenditure reports are included in financial reports. Performance monitoring is described in progress reporting.

Audits (112):

In accordance with the provisions of OMB Circular No. A-133 (Revised, June 27, 2003), "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations," nonfederal entities that expend financial assistance of \$500,000 or more in Federal awards will have a single or a program-specific audit conducted for that year. Nonfederal entities that expend less than \$500,000 a year in Federal awards are exempt from Federal audit requirements for that year, except as noted in Circular No. A-133. Audits are conducted in accordance with requirements in 45 CFR 74 and 92.

Records (113):

All financial records are to be maintained for 3 years after termination of the project or until audit is completed, whichever comes first.

Financial Information (120)**Account Identification (121):**

75-1536-0-1-506.

Obligations (122):

(Project Grants (Discretionary)) FY 13 \$17,606,582; FY 14 est \$19,025,000; and FY 15 est \$19,025,000

Range and Average of Financial Assistance (123):

Grants ranged between \$150,000 to \$2,000,000, with an average award of \$524,235.

Program Accomplishments (130):

Fiscal Year 2013: 37 grants were awarded. Fiscal Year 2014: It is estimated that 44 grants will be awarded. Fiscal Year 2015: It is anticipated that 31 grants will be awarded.

Regulations, Guidelines, and Literature (140):

45 CFR 1340.

Information Contacts (150)**Regional or Local Office (151) :**

None.

Headquarters Office (152):

Jan Shafer Division of Program Innovation, Children's Bureau, 1250 Maryland Ave, SW; 8th Floor, Washington, District of Columbia 20024 Email: jan.shafer@acf.hhs.gov Phone: (202) 205-8172.

Website Address (153):

<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/cb>.

Related Programs (160):

93.590 Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention Grants; 93.600 Head Start; 93.643 Children's Justice Grants to States; 93.645 Child Welfare Services_State Grants; 93.648 Child Welfare Services Training Grants; 93.669 Child Abuse and Neglect State Grants

Examples of Funded Projects (170):

Fiscal Year 2013: Examples of funded projects include: training and technical assistance providers such as the National Resource Center (NRC) on Child Protective Services and the NRC on In-Home Services; the Quality Improvement Center on Early Childhood; the Quality Improvement Center on Differential Response; research and demonstration projects such as Partnerships to Demonstrate the Effectiveness of Supportive Housing for Families in the Child Welfare System and Planning Grants to Develop a Model Intervention for Youth/Young Adults With Child Welfare Involvement At-Risk of Homelessness. Fiscal Year 2014: The Children's Bureau anticipates the continuation of grants expected to be awarded in FY 2013 and also to award training and technical assistance to support the implementation of various CAPTA programs. Examples of new projects to be funded in FY 2014 include: Fellowships for University-Based Doctoral Candidates and Faculty for Research in Child Maltreatment; Grants in Child Maltreatment Research Using Innovation Approaches; Grants to Address Trafficking within the Child Welfare Population. Fiscal Year 2015: The Children's Bureau anticipates the continuation of grants expected to be awarded in FY 2014 and also to award training and technical assistance to support the implementation of various CAPTA programs. Examples of new projects to be funded in FY 2015 include: Fellowships for University-Based Doctoral Candidates and Faculty for Research in Child Maltreatment; Grants in Child Maltreatment Research Using Innovation Approaches; Grants to Address Trafficking within the Child Welfare Population.

Criteria for Selecting Proposals (180):

Applications are evaluated on the basis of the degree to which proposals meet specific objectives defined in the annual program announcement including, but not limited to: (1) Reasonableness of cost; (2) qualifications of staff; and (3) relevance to stated areas of interest.