

the risk of harm to individuals, the recipient agency or entity (including its information systems, programs, and operations), the Federal Government, or national security, resulting from a suspected or confirmed breach.

**POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR STORAGE OF RECORDS:**

Paper records are stored in file folders. Electronic records are stored in a database on a computer network.

**POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR RETRIEVAL OF RECORDS:**

Personal identifiers used for retrieval include the subject individual's name, date of birth, SSN, and Alien Registration Number (if applicable).

**POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR RETENTION AND DISPOSAL OF RECORDS:**

The records have not yet been scheduled with the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). Until they have been scheduled with NARA and have met the applicable retention period, the records must be retained indefinitely.

**ADMINISTRATIVE, TECHNICAL, AND PHYSICAL SAFEGUARDS:**

Information in this system is safeguarded in accordance with applicable laws, rules, and policies. Access to the records is restricted to authorized personnel who are advised of the confidentiality of the records and the civil and criminal penalties for misuse. All record keepers are required to maintain appropriate administrative, technical, and physical safeguards to protect the records from unauthorized access. Administrative safeguards include training individuals who have access to the records how to handle them appropriately, incident response plans, mandatory security and privacy awareness training, limiting access to individuals who need to know the information, and reviewing security controls on an ongoing basis. Technical safeguards include the use of antivirus software, vulnerability patching, multi-factor authentication when required, or username and password, and storing electronic records in encrypted form, to limit system access to authorized users. Physical safeguards include storing hard copy records and computer terminals used to access electronic records in physically locked locations when not in use. Safeguards conform to the HHS Information Security Program, <https://www.hhs.gov/ocio/securityprivacy/index.html>.

**RECORD ACCESS PROCEDURES:**

Upon completion of an exemption rulemaking, this system of records will

be exempt from access by subject individuals to the extent permitted by 5 U.S.C. 552a(k)(2). However, consideration will be given to any access request addressed to the System Manager, listed above. Individuals may request access to a record about them in this system of records by submitting a written access request to the System Manager. The request must include, as applicable, the individual's name, Alien Registration Number, date and place of birth, telephone number and/or email address, current address, and signature. In addition, to further verify the individual's identity, the individual must provide either a notarization of the request or a written certification that the requester is the individual who the requester claims to be and understands that the knowing and willful request for or acquisition of a record pertaining to an individual under false pretenses is a criminal offense under the Privacy Act, subject to a fine of up to \$5,000. An individual may also request an accounting of disclosures that have been made of any records about that individual. Verification of identity is also required for a parent or legal guardian who makes a request on behalf of a minor (in addition to verifying the minor's identity).

**CONTESTING RECORD PROCEDURES:**

Upon completion of an exemption rulemaking, this system of records will be exempt from amendment to the extent permitted by 5 U.S.C. 552a(k)(2). However, consideration will be given to any amendment request addressed to the System Manager, listed above. Individuals seeking to amend a record about them in this system of records must submit a written request for amendment to the System Manager. The request must provide the same information described under "Record Access Procedures," including identity verification information; and must specify the information that is contested, the corrective action sought, and the reason(s) for requesting the correction, and include supporting information. The right to contest records is limited to information that is factually inaccurate, incomplete, irrelevant, or untimely (obsolete). Records of an administrative proceeding that results in a final agency determination that an individual perpetrated child abuse or neglect of a child while the child was in ORR custody will not be subject to amendment, if the records establish that the individual exhausted administrative amendment remedies in that proceeding (*i.e.*, wasn't merely offered the opportunity for amendment) as required

for the individual to pursue judicial remedies.

**NOTIFICATION PROCEDURES:**

Upon completion of an exemption rulemaking, this system of records will be exempt from notification to the extent permitted by 5 U.S.C. 552a(k)(2). However, consideration will be given to any notification request addressed to the System Manager, listed above. Individuals seeking to determine whether this system of records contains information about them must submit a written notification request to the System Manager. The request must include the same information described under "Record Access Procedures," including identity verification information.

**EXEMPTIONS PROMULGATED FOR THE SYSTEM:**

Upon completion of an exemption rulemaking, law enforcement investigatory material in this system of records will be exempt from certain requirements of the Privacy Act as follows:

- Based on 5 U.S.C. 552a(k)(2), all investigatory material compiled for law enforcement purposes will be exempt from the requirements in subsections (c)(3), (d)(1) through (4), (e)(1), (e)(4)(G) through (I), and (f) of the Privacy Act; provided, however, if maintenance of the records causes a subject individual to be denied a federal right, privilege, or benefit to or for which the individual would otherwise be entitled or eligible, the exemption will be limited to material that would reveal the identity of a source who furnished information to the Government under an express promise that the identity of the source would be held in confidence.

**HISTORY:**

None.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**Administration for Children and Families**

**Office of Child Care; Statement of Organization, Functions, and Delegations of Authority**

**AGENCY:** Administration for Children and Families, HHS.

**ACTION:** Notice; establishment of the Regional Operations Division within the Office of Child Care.

**SUMMARY:** The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) has made

minor adjustments to the organization of the Office of Child Care (OCC) by adding a new Regional Operations Division. Impacted staff are being moved from the Office of the Director to this new division.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Anne-Marie Twohie, Deputy Director, Office of Child Care, 330 C Street SW, Washington, DC 20201, (240) 935-1159.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice amends Part K of the Statement of Organization Functions, and Delegations of Authority of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Administration for Children and Families (ACF): Chapter KV, Office of Child Care (OCC) as last amended 88 FR 32227-32230, May 19, 2023.

**I. Delete Chapter KV, Office of Child Care, in Its Entirety and Replace With the Following**

*KV.00 Mission.* The Office of Child Care (OCC) has primary responsibility for the overall direction, policy, implementation, budget planning and development, and oversight of child care program operations authorized under the Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) and section 418 of the Social Security Act. OCC supports state, tribal, and territorial grantees' efforts to provide child care subsidies to families with low incomes, improve the quality of child care for all children, support a high-quality and well-compensated workforce, and support a strong child care system able to meet the needs of children and families. OCC provides leadership and coordination for child care issues within ACF, HHS, and with relevant federal, state, local, and tribal governmental and non-governmental organizations.

*KV.10 Organization.* OCC is headed by a Director who reports to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Early Childhood Development (ECD). OCC is organized as follows:

Office of the Director (KVA)  
 Training and Technical Assistance Division (KVA1)  
 Program Operations Division (KVA2)  
 Oversight and Accountability Division (KVA3)  
 Policy, Data, and Planning Division (KVA4)  
 Regional Operations Division (KVAD)  
 Child Care Regional Offices (KVADI-X)

*KV.20 Functions.*

*A. Office of the Director (KVA):* The Office of the Director (OD) is responsible for leading the Program Office to ensure OCC fulfills its statutory responsibilities and programmatic objectives. The OD is

responsible for the overall management, oversight, and policy and budget development specific to child care programs and for the supervision of the OCC Division Directors. The OD is also responsible for strategic planning and setting operational goals, planning initiatives to support strong implementation of the Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) and other initiatives that support a child care sector that meets the developmental needs of children and supports families and child care providers. The OD also responds to inquiries from the public and governmental and non-governmental leaders.

The Deputy Director and Associate Deputy Director report to the Director and manage the day-to-day operations of OCC; share supervision and management responsibilities for the OCC Division Directors and other OD staff; coordinate with and provide direction to the ECD Budget and Administrative Operations divisions to manage the budget and administrative needs of OCC; assist the Director in carrying out the duties of the OD; and perform the duties of the Director when absent.

*B. Training and Technical Assistance Division (KVA1):* The Training and Technical Assistance Division is responsible for overseeing the training and technical assistance system including coordination and oversight of technical assistance grants, cooperative agreements, and contracts. The division also oversees publications to support CCDF lead agencies and OCC priorities and coordinates with the other divisions in OCC on content related to program implementation, monitoring, policy, interagency agreements, and websites.

*C. Program Operations Division (KVA2):* The Program Operations Division is responsible for supporting the development, management, and oversight of CCDF plans, plan amendments, and waiver requests to support compliance with federal law and regulation. The division works in partnership with regional program staff to facilitate responses to issues and questions on program implementation, policy, and other issues. The division is also responsible for analyzing information related to grantee program implementation.

*D. Oversight and Accountability Division (KVA3):* The Oversight and Accountability Division is responsible for monitoring grantees for compliance in the implementation of CCDF plans, and for programmatic and fiscal compliance with federal law, policies, and regulations. The division manages the program integrity and accountability

oversight program, including audits, improper payments, error rates, and corrective actions. The division responds to inquiries from the Office of Inspector General and Government Accountability Office.

*E. Policy, Data, and Planning Division (KVA4):* The Policy, Data, and Planning Division is responsible for overseeing development and issuance of policies, regulations, and other policy guidance. The division is responsible for legislative issues and budget formulation in coordination with ECD and consistent with ACF early childhood priorities. The division oversees activities for implementation of major policy, legislative, regulatory and budget new initiatives and prepares materials in response to Congressional inquiries. The division also oversees collection of state, territory, and tribal grantee data and reports and reviews and analyzes grantee data and performance measures.

*F. Regional Operations Division (KVA5):* The Regional Operations Division is responsible for providing oversight, direction, and guidance to the 10 OCC Regional Offices and integrates regional work in central office planning.

*G. Child Care Regional Offices (KVADI-X):* Each of the 10 OCC Regional Offices is headed by an OCC Regional Program Manager (RPM) who reports to the Director of Regional Operations within the Regional Operations Division. OCC Regional Offices are responsible for ongoing oversight and monitoring, and technical assistance and working to resolve issues to bring all Lead Agencies in their region in full compliance with federal law, regulations, and policy. The RPM is responsible for liaising within each Region to OCC central office and maintaining relationships with state, territory, tribal, and local officials.

**II. Continuation of Policy**

Except as inconsistent with this reorganization, all statements of policy and interpretations with respect to organizational components affected by this notice within ACF, heretofore issued and in effect on this date of this reorganization are continued in full force and effect.

**III. Delegation of Authority**

All delegations and re-delegations of authority made to officials and employees of affected organizational components will continue in them, or their successors, pending further re-delegations, provided they are consistent with this reorganization.

IV. Funds, Personnel, and Equipment

Transfer of organizations and functions affected by this reorganization shall be accompanied in each instance by direct and support funds, positions, personnel, records, equipment, supplies, and other resources.

Meg Sullivan,

Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for the Administration for Children and Families, performing the delegable duties of the Assistant Secretary for Children and Families.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

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Notice of Allotment Percentages to States for Child Welfare Services State Grants.

AGENCY: Administration on Children, Youth and Families—Children’s Bureau (ACYF–CB), Administration for Children and Families (ACF), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

ACTION: Notice of biennial publication of allotment percentages for States under the IV–B subpart 1, Stephanie Tubbs Jones Child Welfare Services Grant Program.

SUMMARY: The Department is publishing the allotment percentage for each State under the Title IV–B Subpart 1, Stephanie Tubbs Jones Child Welfare Services Grant Program. The allotment percentages are one of the factors used in the computation of the Federal grants awarded under the Program.

DATES: The allotment percentages will be effective for Federal Fiscal Years 2026 and 2027.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sona Cook, Grants Management Officer, Family Protection & Resilience Portfolio, Office of Grants Management, Office of Administration, Administration for Children and Families, 330 C Street SW, Washington, DC 20201. Telephone (214) 767-2973, Email: sona.cook@acf.hhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As required by section 423(c) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 623(c)), the Department is publishing the allotment percentage for each State under the Title IV–B Subpart 1, Stephanie Tubbs Jones Child Welfare Services Grant Program. The allotment percentage for each State is determined on the basis of paragraphs

(b) and (c) of section 423 of the Social Security Act. These figures are available on the ACF internet homepage at http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/cb/. The allotment percentage for each State is as follows:

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Table with 2 columns: State, Percentage. Lists states from Alabama to District of Columbia with their respective allotment percentages.

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Table with 2 columns: State, Percentage. Lists states from Florida to N. Mariana Islands with their respective allotment percentages.

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Table with 2 columns: State, Percentage. Shows Virgin Islands with 70.00.

\* State Percentage = 50 percent of year average divided by the National United States 3-year average.

\*\* State Percentage minus 100 percent yields the IV–BI allotment percentage.

\* Estimates prior to 1950 are not available for Alaska and Hawaii.

1 Allotment Percentage has been adjusted in accordance with Section 423(b)(1).

Statutory Authority: Section 423(c) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 623(c)).

Anthony Petruccelli,

Senior Grants Policy Specialist, Office of Grants Policy, Office of Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation Statement of Organization, Functions, and Delegations of Authority

AGENCY: Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation, Administration for Children and Families, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) has reorganized the Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation (OPRE). This reorganization creates a new Office of Research and Evaluation (ORE) and an Office of the Chief Data Officer (OCDO). This notice provides the Statement of Organizations, Functions, and Delegations of Authority for the new office of officer.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lauren Supplee, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Planning, Research, and Evaluation, 330 C Street SW, Washington, DC 20201.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice amends Part K of the Statement of Organization, Functions, and Delegations of Authority of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Administration for Children and Families (ACF), as follows: Chapter KM, Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation (OPRE), as last amended 87 FR 67693-67696 (November 2022).

I. Under Chapter KM, Office of Planning, Research, and Evaluation,