ERSEA: Community Assessment

Eligibility, Recruitment, Selection, Enrollment, Attendance (ERSEA)









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HEAD START ACT

(AS AMENDED DECEMBER 12, 2007)



U.S. Code Citation: 42 USC 9801 et seq.

Sections 635 - 657

Improving Head Start for School Readiness Act of 2007





Community Assessment

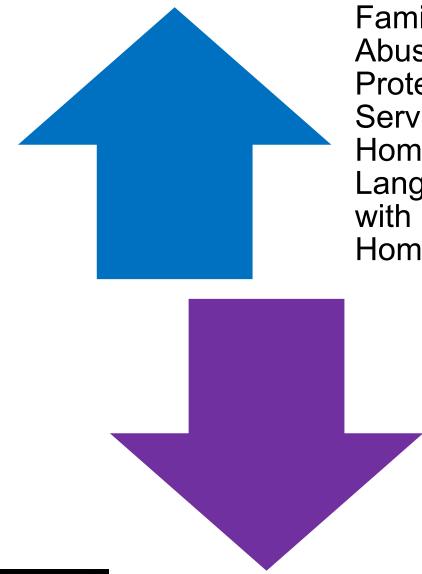


§ Sec. 640(g)(1)(C) Allotment of Funds



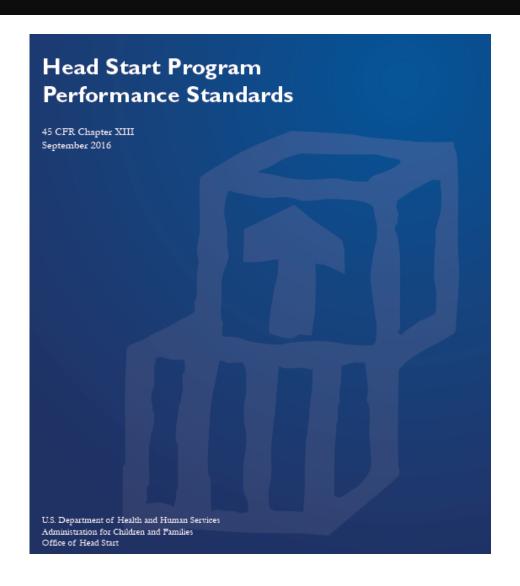


Using Community Assessment Data



Family Support Services; Child Abuse Prevention Services; Protective Services; Foster Care; Services to Families Whose Homes English is not Primary Language; Services for Children with Disabilities; Services to Homeless Children

Recommendations:
Selection of Delegates;
Service Area; Program
Design; Parent
Engagement; Parent
Training; Selection Criteria





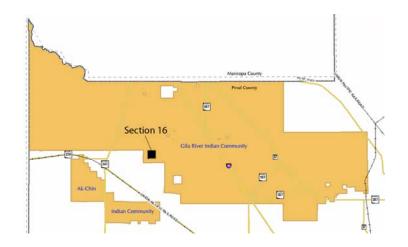


Community Assessment



§ 1302.11 (a) Determining Community Strengths, Needs, and Resources

Propose a service area in grant



- (1)(i) Tribal program may propose where members are eligible for the tribe including on a reservation or off; even if service area is part of another service area
- (2) If program decides to change service area must submit to ACF for approval



§ 1302.11 (b) Community Wide Strategic Planning and Needs Assessment (Community Assessment)



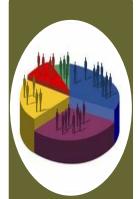
- (1) Community assessment once every five years:
 - Community strengths
 - Needs
 - Resources



- (2) Annually review and update:
 - Significant changes
 - □ Availability of Pre-K
 - Homelessness
 - Shift in demographics



§ 1302.11 (b)(1)(i) Community Wide Strategic Planning and Needs Assessment



eligible infants, toddlers, preschool age, expectant mothers



Geographic locations, race, ethnicity, spoken language



Estimated
of
children
homeless,
in foster
care, with
disabilities



Work, school, and training schedules of parents



Other programs serving eligible children inc. ~# of children served



Resources in the community that could be used to address the needs

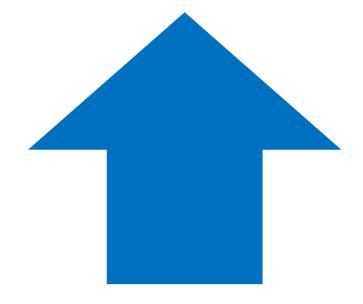


Strengths of the community

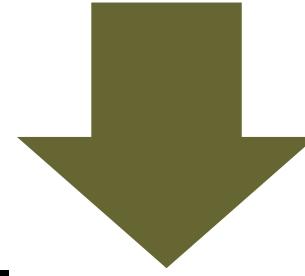
Community Assessment Collections



Using Community Assessment Data



eligible infants, toddlers, preschool age, expectant mothers; Geographic locations, race, ethnicity, spoken language; # of children homeless, in foster care, with disabilities; Work, school, and training schedules of parents; Other programs serving eligible children inc. ~# of children served; Resources in the community that could be used to address the needs; Strengths of the community



Recommendations:
Selection of Delegates;
Service Area; Program
Design; Parent
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§ 1302.11 (b)(3) Community Wide Strategic Planning and Needs Assessment



☐ Consider whether the characteristics of the community include children with diverse economic backgrounds

□ Possibly include private pay

Must not enroll if result would be serving less than eligible funded enrollment





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