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SUBJECT: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING FEDERAL GRANT OPPORTUNITIES

This email message is to supply local child support agencies (LCSAs) with information not contained in CSS Letter 07-04 dated March 16, 2007 regarding federal grant opportunities and application procedures for 2007.

In addition to the first priority area for special improvement project (SIP) grants (Developing Strategies to Work Effectively with Incarcerated/Released Non-custodial Parents), there are two additional federal priority areas on which grant proposals may be based: (2) Encouraging Tribes to Develop Innovative Approaches to Promote Tribal Parental Responsibility and Healthy Marriage; and (3) Initiating Child Support and Court Collaboration to Improve Client Outcomes and Efficiency for Both Entities.

More information on the grants is available at http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/index.html, and at www.grants.gov.

All LCSAs who are interested in applying for either the 1115 Demonstration or SIP grant are required to first submit a completed Grant Proposal Review Form to the Regional Administrator assigned to your LCSA by **March 30, 2007**. The completed form should include a conceptual or draft proposal for grant submission. DCSS will review each proposal and notify LCSAs about which proposals have been selected. DCSS will also work with the selected LCSAs to complete the final grant applications. SIP grant applications are due to the OCSE by May 2, 2007, and 1115 grant applications are due to the OCSE by May 9, 2007.

Sincerely,

/os/ signed by DEBRA SANCHEZ

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