

Title IV-B Child And Family Services Plan: Assurances

The assurances listed below are in 45 CFR 1357.15(c) and title IV-B sections 422(b)(10), 422(b)(12), section 422 (b) (14) and 432(a)(9). These assurances will remain in effect during the period of the current five-year CFSP.

1. The Tribe assures that it will participate in any evaluations the Secretary of HHS may require.

2. The Tribe assures that it will administer the CFSP in accordance with methods determined by the Secretary to be proper and efficient.

3. The Tribe assures that it has a plan for the training and use of paid paraprofessional staff, with particular emphasis on the full-time or part-time employment of low-income persons, as community service aides; and a plan for the use of non-paid or partially paid volunteers in providing services and in assisting any advisory committees established by the Tribe.

4. The Tribe assures that standards and requirements imposed with respect to child care under title XX shall apply with respect to day care services, if provided under the CFSP, except insofar as eligibility for such services is involved.

5. The Tribe assures that it is operating, to the satisfaction of the Secretary:
 - - an information system from which can be readily determined the status, demographic characteristics, location, and goals for the placement of every child who is (or, within the immediately preceding 12 months, has been) in foster care;
 - -a case review system (as defined in section 475(5) for each child receiving foster care under the supervision of the Tribe;
 - -a service program designed to help children—where safe and appropriate, return to families from which they have been removed; or be placed for adoption, with a legal guardian, or, if adoption or legal guardianship is determined not to be appropriate for a child, in some other planned, permanent living arrangement; and

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- o a preplacement preventive services program designed to help children at risk of foster care placement remain safely with their families; and (C)(i)
6. The Tribe assures that plans will be developed for the effective use of cross-jurisdictional resources to facilitate timely adoptive or permanent placements for waiting children.
 7. The Tribe assures that it has reviewed its policies and administrative and judicial procedures in effect for children abandoned at or shortly after birth (including policies and procedures providing for legal representation of such children); and is implementing such policies and procedures as the Tribe determines, on the basis of the review described, to be necessary to enable permanent decisions to be made expeditiously with respect to the placement of such children.
 8. The Tribe assures that, in administering and conducting service programs under this plan, the safety of the children to be served shall be of paramount concern.

Effective Date and Tribe Officials Signature

I hereby certify that the Tribe complies with the requirements of the above assurances.

Certified by: _____

Title: _____

Agency: _____

Dated: _____

Reviewed by: _____

(ACF Regional Representative)

Dated: _____