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# Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention Program (CBCAP) 2006 Program Instruction

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## Overview May 2006

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# Goals of presentation

- Overview of legislative history
  - Vision for CBCAP
  - 2006 PI Highlights
    - Lead Agency Requirements
    - Authorized Activities
    - Special emphasis areas
  - Program Monitoring
  - Questions and Answers
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# CBCAP Legislation

- Title II of CAPTA, reauthorized in June 2003
  - History
    - Started in 1984 as CAP Challenge Grants as first law to direct Federal funds to assist State efforts to prevent child abuse and neglect
    - 1992, 1994 legislation broadened through CAPTA to include community-based prevention and family resource services
    - 1996 CAPTA provided additional incentives to create Statewide networks of child abuse prevention programs (CBFRS program)
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# 2003 CAPTA

- Builds upon the previous program, changes the name, adds stronger emphasis on certain aspects of the program
  - 3 primary purposes in legislation:
    - To support community-based efforts to develop, operate, expand, and where appropriate to network, initiatives aimed at the prevention of CAN;
    - To support coordinated resources and activities to better strengthen and support families to reduce the incidence of CAN; and
    - To foster the understanding, appreciation and knowledge of diverse populations to effectively prevent CAN.
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# Vision for the CBCAP

- ❑ To support the development and expansion of community-based and prevention-focused programs and activities to support and strengthen families and prevent child abuse and neglect (e.g. voluntary home visiting programs, respite and crisis care, parent support, family resource centers, and other family support programs);
  - ❑ To support the meaningful involvement of all parents, including parents with disabilities, in the planning, implementation and evaluation of prevention programs;
  - ❑ To enhance the States' evaluation capability to determine the effectiveness of funded prevention programs and activities;
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# Vision for CBCAP

- ❑ To promote greater linkages with other national and Statewide systems change efforts such as the Child and Family Service Reviews;
  - ❑ To support training and technical assistance for the lead agencies on the requirements of the program, as well as support ACF Priorities such as healthy marriage, responsible fatherhood, outreach to faith and community-based programs, positive youth development and the rural initiative.
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## Vision for CBCAP

- Individual prevention programs cannot stand alone --- they are part of a larger Statewide and national system of care for families and prevention is a key component.
  - CBCAP Lead Agencies in a position of leadership in the States to promote this vision.
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# 2006 PI Highlights

- Continues to place a strong emphasis on linking the CBCAP program activities with ongoing child welfare systems change efforts (CFSRs and IVB planning)
  - Adds specific language around collaborations with child care and early childhood
  - Continues to place a strong emphasis on parent leadership and involvement in the program
  - Continues to focus on evaluating the outcomes of funded programs and activities; adds more specific language around reporting for PART and CBCAP outcomes
  - Continue linkages with other ACF Priorities (Healthy Marriage, Responsible Fatherhood, Outreach to Faith and community-based organizations, Positive Youth Development, and the Rural Initiative)
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# CBCAP Overview

- Formula grant program. Every year a new PI is issued and a Lead Agency designated by the Governor applies for and administers the funds.
  - In FY2006, \$42.4 million is available
  - 1% set aside for tribal/ migrant programs and FRIENDS NRC for CBCAP
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# Lead Agencies

- Lead agencies are a diverse group
    - About half are state child welfare agencies or social services agencies
      - Some of these also oversee the CTF in the State
    - Slightly less than half are Children's Trust and Prevention Funds
    - 3 Health Departments and 3 non-profits
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# Use of Funds

- To develop, operate, expand and enhance community-based, prevention focused programs and activities to strengthen and support families and prevent CAN
  - To foster the development of a continuum of prevention services through State and community based public and private partnerships
  - To finance the start-up, maintenance, expansion or redesign of programs and activities identified as unmet needs and integrated with the network of prevention programs in the State
  - To maximize funding through leveraging of funds to expand prevention programs and activities
  - To finance public information activities that focus on the healthy development of parents and children and the promotion of prevention activities
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# Target Populations

- Vulnerable families at risk of abuse or neglect
  - Special focus on specific populations:
    - Parents (all, new, teens, etc)
    - Parents/ children with disabilities
    - Racial and ethnic minorities
    - Members of underserved or underrepresented groups
    - Fathers
  - Some activities for the general population (public awareness and education)
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# Lead Agency requirements

Application for funding must document capacity to conduct the following activities:

- Capacity to direct an interdisciplinary, collaborative structure that guides the planning for the program and activities
  - Provide oversight for the goals and objectives of the program
  - Assess community needs and assets through process that involves public and private agencies
  - Provide training, technical assistance and evaluation assistance to funded programs
  - Evaluate funded programs and activities
  - Actively participate in CAP Month activities
  - Insure parent involvement in planning, implementation and evaluation of programs
  - Participate in actions to advocate for systemic change
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# Coordination with Prevention programs in the State

- Lead Agency charged with fostering the continuum of prevention services in the State and building public and private partnerships.
  - Lead Agency to provide the leadership for the network of prevention resources and programs. Network to include representation from variety of disciplines and expertise.
  - Encourage the development of strategic plan which links with other related efforts to improve outcomes for children and families in the State.
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# Coordination with child welfare programs

- Child and Family Services Reviews/ Program Improvement Plans/ Statewide Assessment
  - Child and Family Services Plan (IVB, Promoting Safe and Stable Families)
  - Child Protective Services/ Alternative Response Systems
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# Examples of programs funded

- Voluntary home visiting
  - Parent education /skills
  - Parent mutual support/ self-help
  - Respite care/ crisis care
  - Community outreach and referral
  - Family resource centers
  - Family support services
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# Continuum of Evaluation approaches for CBCAP

- Self-assessment and peer reviews for qualitative reviews of the programs
  - Assessing & evaluating the CBCAP network
  - Evaluation plans for funded programs and activities
  - Outcome-based evaluations
  - OMB PART and Federal government review of effectiveness of the program
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# Program Monitoring

- FPO provides ongoing monitoring; reviews and approves applications for funding.
  - ACF RO also monitors (secondary review of application and annual report)
  - Grants Office provides fiscal oversight
  - NRC provides training and technical assistance and works with FPO/RO to address needs of the State
  - Annual Grantees meeting
  - List serve
  - Various workgroups around key programs areas
  - Ongoing communication (email and phone)
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# Questions????

- For more information about the CBCAP program, visit the FRIENDS National Resource Center website at:

[www.friendsnrc.org](http://www.friendsnrc.org)

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