

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**Administration for Children and Families****Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

Title: Interstate Referral Guide (IRG)

OMB No.: 0970-0209

Description: The Intergovernmental Reference Guide (IRG) is a centralized and automated repository of state and

tribal profiles, which contains high-level descriptions of each state and tribe's child support enforcement (CSE) program. These profiles provide state and tribal CSE agencies, and foreign countries with an effective and efficient method for updating and accessing information needed to process intergovernmental child support cases.

The IRG information collection activities are authorized by: (1) 42 U.S.C. 652(a)(7), which requires OCSE to provide technical assistance to state

child support enforcement agencies to help them establish effective systems for collecting child and spousal support; (2) 42 U.S.C. 666(f), which requires states to enact the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act; and (3) 45 CFR 303.7, which requires state child support agencies to provide services in intergovernmental cases.

Respondents: All States and Territories and tribal CSE agencies.

Annual Burden Estimates

Instrument	Number of respondents	Number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours
Intergovernmental Reference Guide: State Profile Guidance—(States and Territories)	54	18	0.3	291.60
Intergovernmental Reference Guide: Tribal Profile Guidance	62	18	0.3	334.80

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 624.40.

Additional Information:

Copies of the proposed collection may be obtained by writing to the Administration for Children and Families, Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation, 370 L'Enfant Promenade SW., Washington, DC 20447, Attn: ACF Reports Clearance Officer. All requests should be identified by the title of the information collection. Email address: infocollection@acf.hhs.gov.

OMB Comment:

OMB is required to make a decision concerning the collection of information between 30 and 60 days after publication of this document in the **Federal Register**. Therefore, a comment is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent directly to the following:

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Paperwork Reduction Project, Fax:
202-395-7285, Email: OIRA_SUBMISSION@OMB.EOP.GOV, Attn:
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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**Administration for Children and Families**

[CFDA Number: 93.567]

Announcing the Award of Nine Single-Source Grants Under the Voluntary Agencies Matching Grant Program

AGENCY: Office of Refugee Resettlement, Administration for Children and Families, HHS.

ACTION: Announcing the Award of Nine Single-Source Grants under the Voluntary Agencies Matching Grant Program.

SUMMARY: The Voluntary Agencies Matching Grant Program was created by Congress in 1979. The program is intended to work in consort with the Refugee and Cuban & Haitian Entrant Reception and Placement (R&P) programs. Thus, competition under the Voluntary Agency Matching Grant Program has historically been limited to those voluntary agencies providing R&P services through cooperative agreements with the Department of State or the Department of Homeland Security. Congress confirmed this approach to the program in the 1986 Refugee Assistance Extension Act. The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) has determined that using the solicited single-source application process is in the best interest of the government as it will achieve the same result and is more cost effective than the published Funding Opportunity Announcement process.

DATES: October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Voluntary Agencies Matching Grant Program, under the Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR), is an alternative to public cash assistance designed to enable refugees, asylees, and other ORR eligible populations, to become self-sufficient through employment within 120 to 180 days from date of arrival into the United States (U.S.) and/or the date of eligibility for ORR services; however, clients must be enrolled within 31 days of becoming eligible to ensure that adequate services are provided and self-sufficiency is achieved and maintained within the period of eligibility. Services provided include, but are not limited to, case management, employment services, housing and utilities, food, transportation, cash allowance, health and medical, English language training, social adjustment, and other support services. In all cases, self-sufficiency must be achieved without accessing public cash assistance and all program services cease at 180 days from program eligibility.

The Voluntary Agencies Matching Grant Program was designed to work directly with Reception and Placement (R&P) programs. Congress confirmed this approach to the program in the 1986 Refugee Assistance Extension Act. Therefore, funding under this program is open only to those nine voluntary agencies that already provide R&P services through a cooperative agreement with the U.S. Department of

State (DOS) or the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

Participating voluntary agencies agree to match the ORR grant with cash and

in-kind contributions of goods and services from the community. Currently, ORR awards \$2 for every \$1 raised by

the agency up to a maximum of \$2,200 in federal funds per client.

Single-source awards are made to the following organizations:

Grantee name	Location	Total federal annual award
Church World Service/Immigration & Refugee Program	New York, NY	\$5,885,000
Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the U.S.A	New York, NY	4,241,600
Ethiopian Community Development Council/Refugee Resettlement Program	Arlington, VA	2,059,200
HIAS, Inc. (Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society)/Refugee and Immigrant Services	New York, NY	1,566,400
International Rescue Committee/Resettlement	New York, NY	9,143,200
Lutheran Immigration & Refugee Service	Baltimore, MD	7,530,600
United States Conference of Catholic Bishops	Washington, DC	18,977,200
US Committee for Refugees and Immigrants	Arlington, VA	11,501,600
World Relief Corporation of National Association of Evangelicals/Refugee & Immigration Programs.	Baltimore, MD	4,404,400

Statutory Authority: Section 412(c)(1)(A) of the Immigration and Nationality Act (8 U.S.C. 1522(c)(1)(A)); Section 7(a) and (b) of the Refugee Assistance Extension Act of 1986 (Pub. L. 99-605) (8 U.S.C. 1522 note).

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Community Living

Termination of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico's Protection and Advocacy for Persons With Developmental Disabilities Award

AGENCY: Administration for Community Living, HHS.

ACTION: *Notice of Hearing:* Termination of PADD funding. Action to Terminate the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico's Protection and Advocacy for Persons with Developmental Disabilities (PADD) Award.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to regulations at 45 CFR part 1386, subpart D, this notice announces an administrative hearing regarding termination of Federal funding (that is, "the allotment") for the Protection and Advocacy for Persons with Developmental Disabilities (PADD) Award to the designated Protection and Advocacy agency in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico: Oficina del Procurador de las Personas con Impedimentos (OPPI) (Ombudsman for Persons with Disabilities). This notice includes the following information: Who will preside at the hearing, the organizations or entities that are parties to the hearing without making a specific request to participate, the due dates for those who

are not parties as of right to file a petition to participate as a party or as an amicus curiae, the date and place of the hearing, how certain procedural provisions in the applicable regulations have been modified, and a description of the issues to be considered at the hearing.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Carolyn Reines-Graubard, Director, Appellate Division, Departmental Appeals Board, Cohen Building, Rm. G-644, MS 6127, 330 Independence Ave. SW., Washington, DC 20201, 202-565-0116.

Background: The Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act of 2000 (DD Act) (codified at 42 U.S.C. 15001 *et seq.*) provides states and territories with federal money for the purpose of assuring that "individuals with developmental disabilities and their families participate in the design of and have access to needed community services, individualized supports, and other forms of assistance that promote self-determination, independence, productivity, and integration and inclusion in all facets of community life, through culturally competent programs authorized" by the Act. DD Act § 101(b) (42 U.S.C. 15001(b)). While a number of programs are authorized under the DD Act, the relevant program for this proceeding is the Protection and Advocacy (P&A) system, described in Subtitle C of Title I of the DD Act and, relatedly, the State Council on Developmental Disabilities (SCDD), described in Subtitle B of such Title.

P&A systems are to "protect the legal and human rights of individuals with developmental disabilities." DD Act § 101(b)(2) (42 U.S.C. 15001(b)(2)). State Councils are to engage in "advocacy, capacity building, and systemic change activities that are consistent with the

purpose and policies of the Act," DD Act § 101(b)(1)(A) (42 U.S.C. 15001(b)(1)(A)), and that "contribute[] to a coordinated, consumer- and family-centered, consumer- and family-directed, comprehensive system that includes needed community services, individualized supports, and other forms of assistance that promote self-determination for individuals with developmental disabilities and their families." DD Act § 101(b)(1)(B) (42 U.S.C. 15001(b)(1)(B)). As a condition of funding the SCDD, the State must establish a P&A system to "to protect and advocate the rights of individuals with developmental disabilities." DD Act § 143(a)(1) (42 U.S.C. 15043(a)(1)).

Under the DD Act, a P&A system must have certain powers. Such powers include, but are not limited to, the authority to "pursue legal, administrative, and other appropriate remedies or approaches to ensure the protection of, and advocacy for, the rights of such individuals within the State who are or who may be eligible for treatment, services, or habilitation, or who are being considered for a change in living arrangements, with particular attention to members of ethnic and racial minority groups," as well as to "investigate incidents of abuse and neglect . . . if the incidents are reported to the system or if there is probable cause to believe that the incidents occurred." DD Act § 143(a)(2)(A)(i) and (B) (42 U.S.C. 15043(a)(2)(A)(i) and (B)).

Pertinent regulations implementing the DD Act are contained in 45 CFR parts 1385 and 1386. Part 1385 includes general requirements applicable to most programs and projects authorized under the DD Act, including both the SCDDs and P&A systems. Part 1386 is specific to SCDDs and P&A systems. Subpart A of Part 1386 contains regulations applicable to both programs; Subpart B