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# CCDF Reauthorization: An Exciting New Era for Child Care

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# Meeting Goals

- Focus on opportunities to better serve children and families and strengthen the quality of providers in the context of new statutory requirements.
- Explain effective dates and timelines for implementation of new CCDF requirements.
- Provide orientation to the draft CCDF Plan Pre-Print for FY 2016-2018.
- Share useful resources.
- Listen.

# What is CCDF Reauthorization?

The bi-partisan supported Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG) Act of 2014 (P.L. 113-186) was signed into law November 19, 2014. Reauthorizes the CCDF program for the first time since 1996.

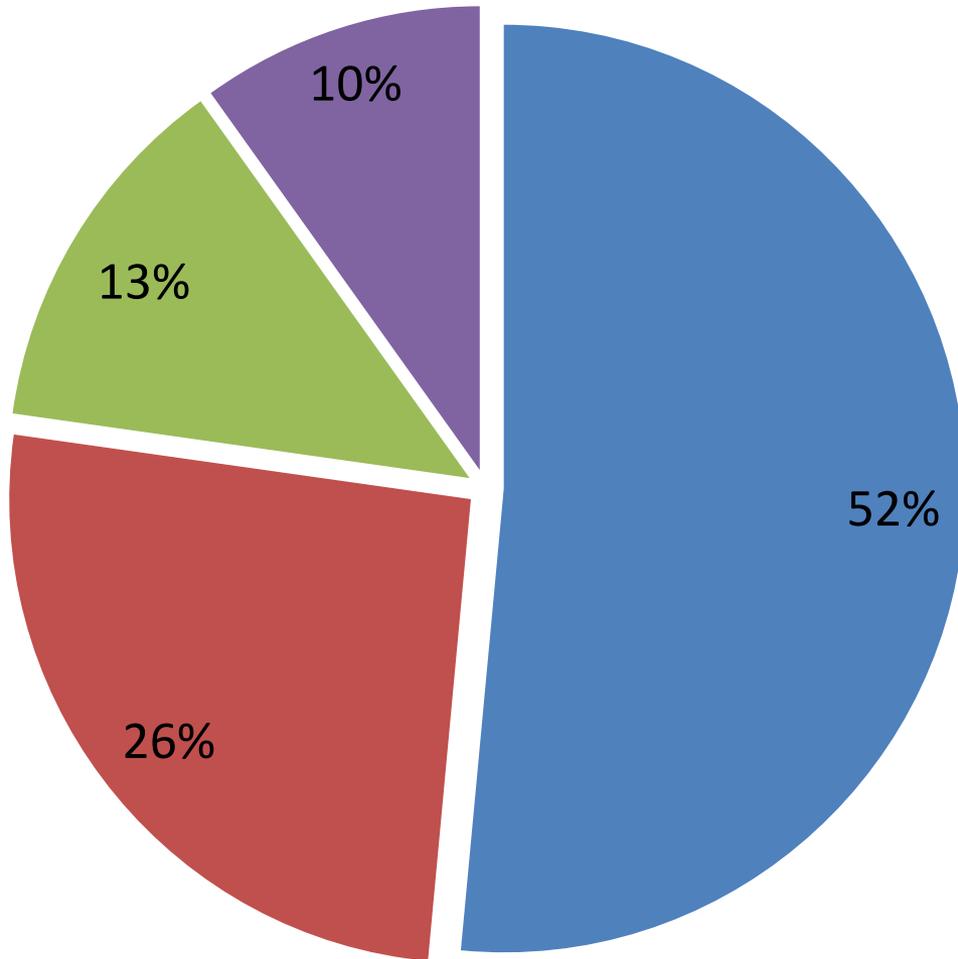
The CCDBG Act of 2014 renews authority for CCDF through FY 2020 and represents an historic re-envisioning of the program.

# New Purposes for CCDF

**Dual goals for two generations are represented in the law. New language in the purposes includes:**

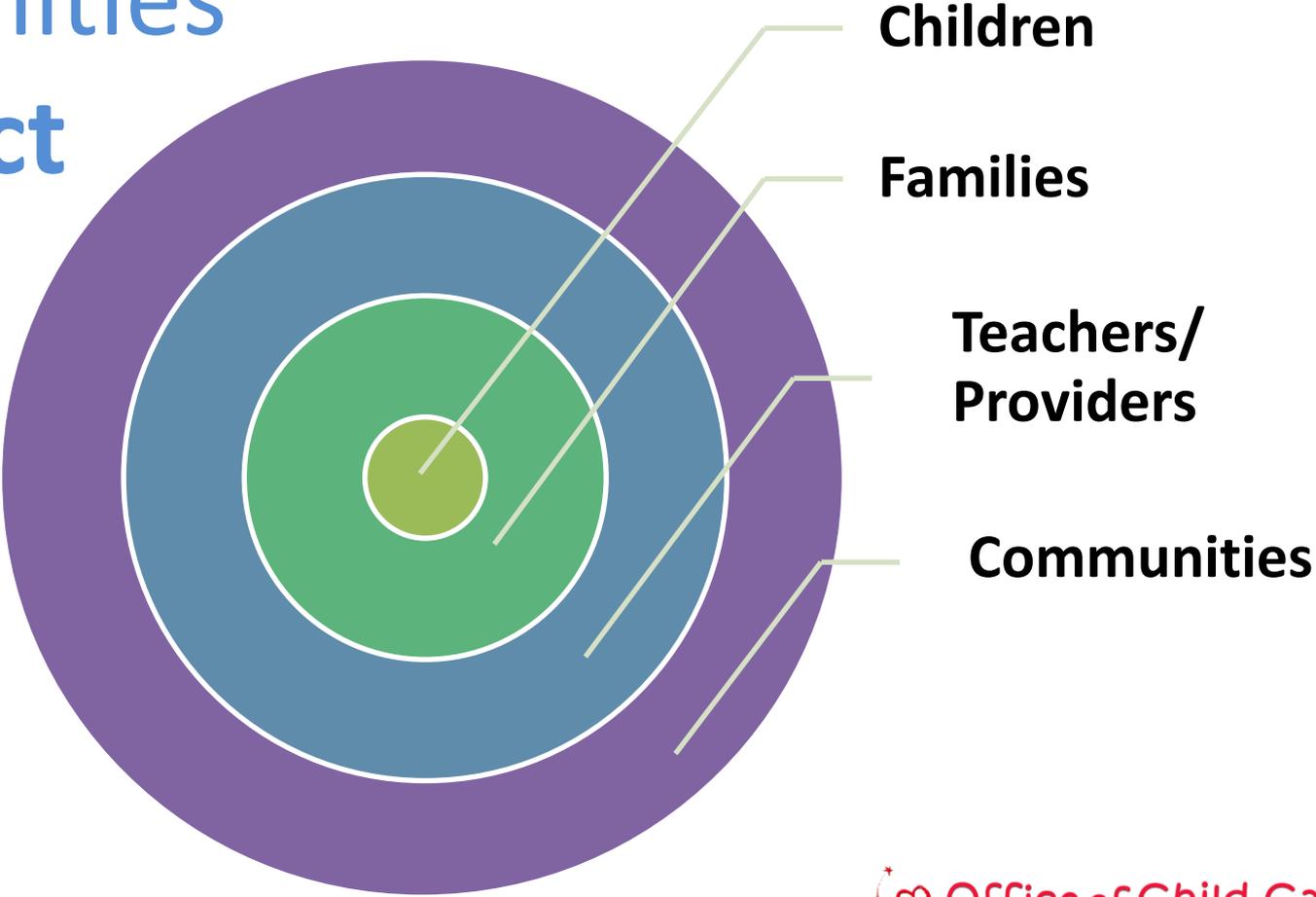
- Promoting involvement by parents and family members in the development of their children in child care settings;
- Delivering high-quality, coordinated early childhood care and education services to maximize parents' options;
- Improving the overall quality of child care services and programs;
- Improving child care and development of participating children;
- Increasing the number and percentage of low-income children in high-quality child care settings.

# CCDF Family Poverty Level



- < 100% HHS Poverty Guidelines
- 100% to 150% HHS Poverty Guidelines
- > 150% HHS Poverty Guidelines
- Invalid or Child Head of Household

# Opportunities for Impact



# Engage Partners

Historic reform will require tapping the strengths of partners, like:

- State Licensing Agencies, QRIS, Professional Development & Higher Education
- State Advisory Councils, Head Start Collaboration, Education, CCR&Rs, EHS-CC Partnership Grantees
- Providers, Parents, and Other Stakeholders
- State and Local TANF, Health, Child Nutrition, Special Needs, Homeless, and New American serving entities
- Indian Tribes and Tribal Organizations

# Key Features of Reauthorization

- 12 month Eligibility Policies
- Payment Rates & Provider Payment Practices
- Consumer Education & Family Engagement
- Health and Safety Minimums in Licensing and Training
- Criminal Background Checks
- Monitoring
- Training & Professional Development
- Increased Quality Spending
- Infant & Toddler Set-aside
- Focus on Underserved Populations
- Tribal Provisions

# Effective Dates (Quality)

Federal Fiscal Year	% Quality Set-aside	% Infant and Toddler	Total Quality Set-aside
FFY 2016	7%	--	7%
FFY 2017	7%	3%	10%
FFY 2018	8%	3%	11%
FFY 2019	8%	3%	11%
FFY 2020 (and ongoing)	9%	3%	12%

# Effective Dates (cont.)

		CCDF State & Territory Plan (3-yr) FY 2016-2018			CCDF State & Territory Plan (3-yr) FY 2019-2021		
New CCDF Program Requirements	FY 2015	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021
	10/01/14 – 9/30/15	10/01/15 – 9/30/16	10/01/16 – 9/30/17	10/01/17 – 9/30/18	10/01/18 – 9/30/19	10/01/19 – 9/30/20	10/01/20 – 9/30/21
Criminal Background Checks	<i>Planning/Implementation</i>			<b>Compliance by 9/30/2017</b>			
Monitoring of Licensing and Regulatory Requirements	<i>Planning/Implementation</i>		<b>Compliance by 11/19/2016</b>				
Posting Results of Monitoring and Inspection Reports (Website)	<i>Planning/Implementation</i>			<b>Compliance by earlier of 11/19/2017 or 1 year after monitoring in place.</b>			
State compliance with Priority for Services	<i>Planning/Implementation</i>		<b>Compliance by 9/30/2016</b>				

# Effective Dates (cont.)

Where the law does not specify a date, the new requirements are effective upon the date of enactment of the law.

However, if a state or territory provides justification for why it cannot yet certify compliance in its FY 2016-2018 CCDF Plan:

- May submit a state-specific timeline for achieving compliance.
- Must provide sufficient information and detail to support ACF approval of the Plan for funding.

# Update on Data Reporting

The new law requires the following new data reporting:

- Number of child fatalities occurring among children while in care of CCDF providers (ACF-800)
- Whether or not a CCDF child is homeless (ACF-801)
- Reporting on quality funds, activities, and measures

Opportunities for public comment will be available for all revised data reporting forms



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# Redesign of CCDF Plan (FY 2016-2018)

# New Organization of the CCDF Plan

1. Define CCDF Leadership and Coordination with Relevant Systems
2. Promote Family Engagement and Consumer Education
3. Provide Stable Child Care Financial Assistance to Families
4. Ensure Equal Access to Quality Child Care for Low-Income Children

# New Organization of the CCDF Plan

5. Establish Standards and Monitoring Processes to Ensure the Health and Safety of Child Care
6. Recruit and Retain a Qualified and Effective Child Care Workforce
7. Support Continuous Quality Improvement
8. Ensure Grantee Accountability

# Implementation Plans

a) Overall Goal/ Objective	b) Overall Status/ Justification	c) Overall Target Completion Date	d) Steps/ Activities	e) Activity Start Date	f) Activity End Date	g) Responsible Agency
Goal tied to requirement (e.g., implement policies, develop website, etc)	For example, not yet started  In progress	Date for overall goal	List each step out	Identify start date for each step	Identify end date for each step	Identify agency responsible for each step
			Step 1			
			Step 2			
			Step 3			

# Public Comment Period for Revised CCDF Plan

- There will just be ONE 30 day public comment period to begin with the publication of the Federal Register Notice.
- Submit comments on the Preprint to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) directly.
- Copy your Regional Office when you submit.

# Follow Up

- Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's)
- Stakeholder input and engagement through outreach webinars and listening sessions
- Regional Cluster meetings
- Update on Technical Assistance
- CCDF Reauthorization Resource Page:  
<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/occ/ccdf-reauthorization>
- Email address: [ccdf.reauthorization@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:ccdf.reauthorization@acf.hhs.gov)

# Implementing CCDF Reauthorization: A Meeting for States and Territories



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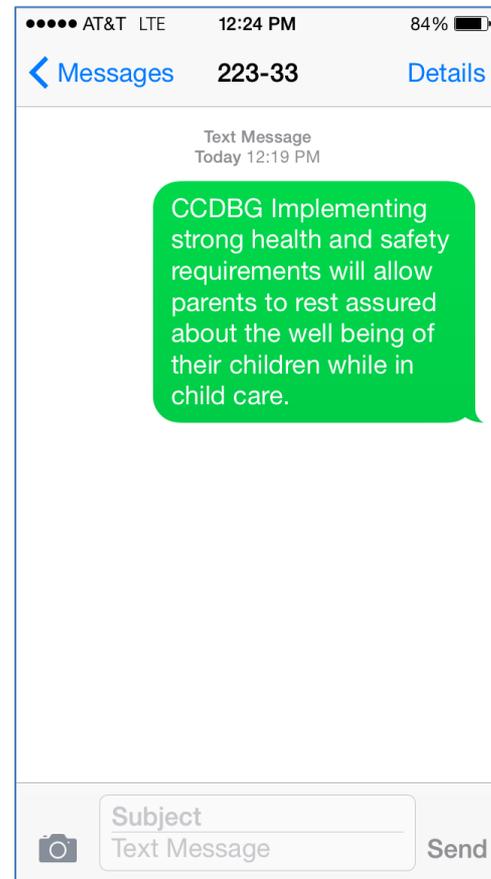
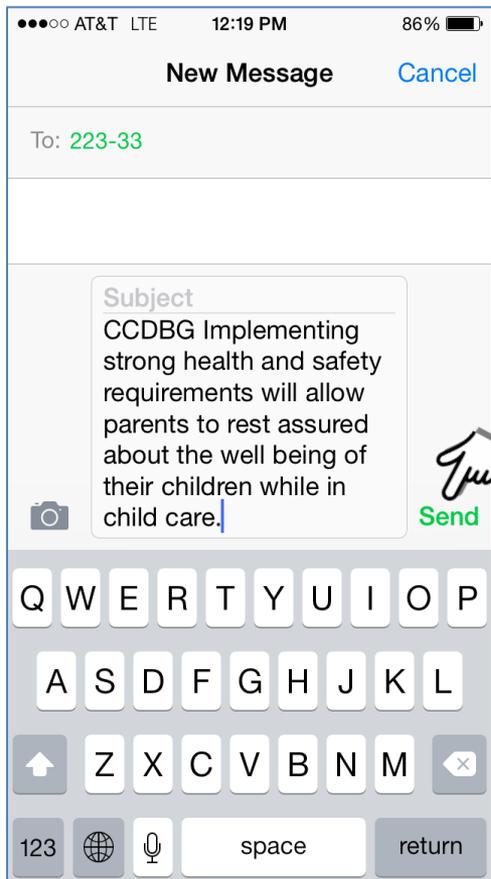


## Discussion Questions

# How to Use Poll Everywhere

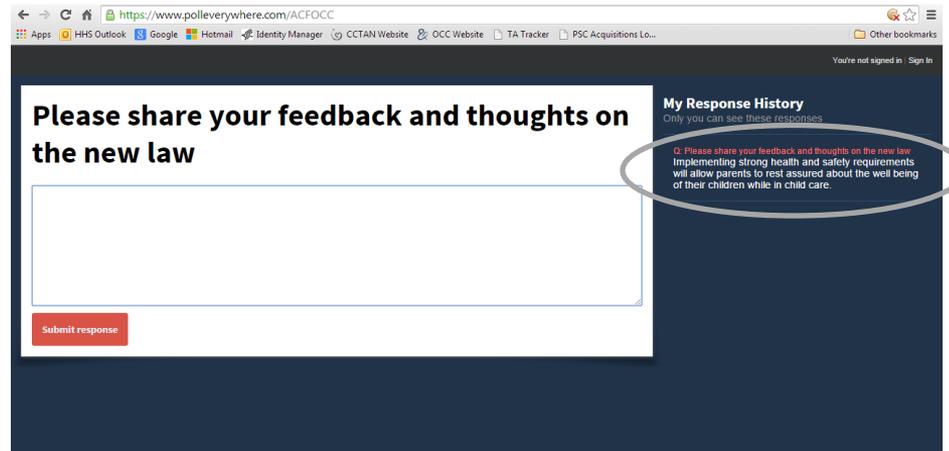
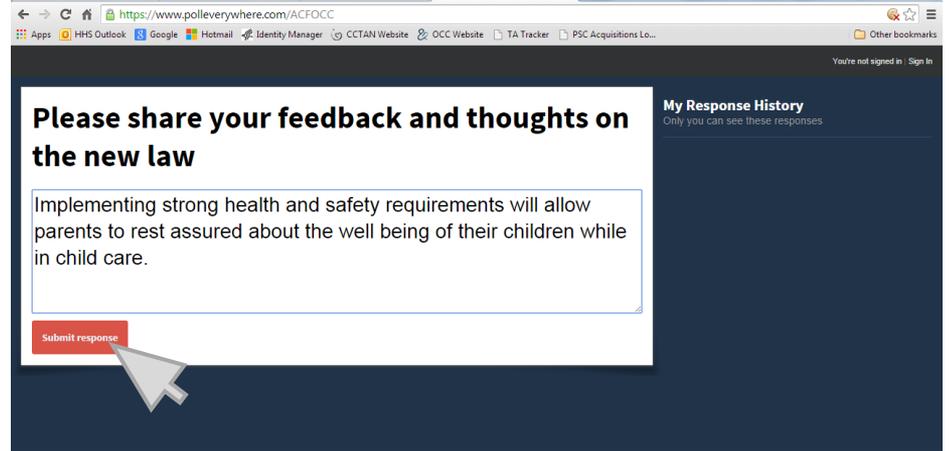
## Responding via text message:

1. For all polls, enter 22333 in the To: Field (This is the “person” or number you are texting your response to).
2. In the body of the text enter CCDBG or CCDBG2, followed by a space and your text.
  - Example: “CCDBG Implementing strong health and safety requirements will allow parents to rest assured about the well being of their children while in child care.”
3. Hit “Send”.
4. Repeat the process above to submit additional comments.



## Responding via the internet using your smartphone, tablet, computer or other web enabled device:

1. Go to:  
[PollEv.com/ACFOCC](https://www.poll Everywhere.com/ACFOCC)  
OR  
<https://www.poll Everywhere.com/ACFOCC>
2. In the response box enter your comment.
  - Example: “CCDBG Implementing strong health and safety requirements will allow parents to rest assured about the well being of their children while in child care.”
3. Click “Submit Response”.
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# Meeting Agenda and Logistics

# Meeting Design

The meeting centers around Topical Breakout Sessions in 3 thematic areas: (1) Subsidy, (2) Health and Safety, and (3) Quality and Consumer Education.

Breakout Sessions will include:

- Policy Overview and FAQs
- Draft CCDF Pre-print Sections
- Facilitated Discussion

# Meeting Agenda

- Plenary sessions
- Breakout sessions
- Lunch
- Regional and State Discussion Groups

# Meeting Materials

- Agenda
- Overview of Breakout Sessions
- CCDBG Act Mark-Up & Reference Sheets
- Meeting Evaluation
- CCDF Plan Preprint

# Collecting Input

- Charting in breakout sessions
- Poll Everywhere
- Notecards
  - Lunch Discussion Sessions
- CCDF Reauthorization Address:  
[ccdf.reauthorization@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:ccdf.reauthorization@acf.hhs.gov)



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