



STATE/TERRITORY PROFILE - VIRGIN ISLANDS

This profile highlights a current innovative effort to promote a subsidy system that is child-focused, family friendly, and fair to providers. It also provides demographic information, Early Care and Education (ECE) program participation and funding, subsidy innovation and program integrity information, program quality improvement activities, and professional development and workforce initiatives. Sources and links are provided at the end of the document

DEMOGRAPHICS

Total Population 12 and Under

Data not available.

Source(s): U.S. Census Bureau. (n.d.). In American Community Survey, 2010. QT-P2 Single Years of Age and Sex. Retrieved from American FactFinder:

http://factfinder2.census.gov/faces/tableservices/jsf/pages/productview.xhtml?pid=DEC_10_SF1_QTP2&prodType=table

Children Living in Working Families

Data not available.

Source(s): U.S. Census Bureau. (2020). In American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates, 2019. B17024: Age By Ratio Of Income To Poverty Level In The Past 12 Months - Universe: Population for whom poverty status is determined.

<https://data.census.gov/cedsci/table?q=B17024&g=0100000US.04000.001&hidePreview=true&table=B17024&tid=ACSDT1Y2019.B17024&lastDisplayedRow=17&vintage=2019&mode=&y=2019>

Poverty Statistics

Data not available.

Source(s): U.S. Census Bureau. (2020). In American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates, 2019. C23008 Age of own Children under 18 Years in Families and Subfamilies by Living Arrangements by Employment Status of Parents: Universe: Own children under 18 years in families and subfamilies.

<https://data.census.gov/cedsci/table?q=C23008&g=&hidePreview=false&table=C23008&tid=ACSDT1Y2019.C23008&lastDisplayedRow=17&vintage=2019>

ECE PROGRAM PARTICIPATION AND FUNDING

Percentage and Number of Children/Families Served
<p>CCDF Average Monthly Percentage of Children in Care By Age Group</p> <p>Data not available.</p> <p>CCDF Average Monthly Number of Children and Families Served</p> <p>Data not available.</p>

Source(s): U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Child Care. (2020). FFY 2019 CCDF data tables [Preliminary estimates]. Table 9 Average Monthly Percentages of Children In Care By Age Group <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/occ/data/fy-2019-preliminary-data-table-9>

1. U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Child Care. (2020). FFY 2019 CCDF data tables [Preliminary estimates]. Table 1 Average Monthly Adjusted Number of Families and Children Served. <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/occ/data/fy-2019-preliminary-data-table-1>

Average Monthly Percentages of Children Served in All Types of Care
<p>Licensed Providers</p> <p>Data not available.</p> <p>Non-Licensed Providers</p> <p>Data not available.</p>

Note: Unregulated provider data includes relative and non-relative care.

Source(s): U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Child Care. (2020). FFY 2019 CCDF data tables [Preliminary estimates]. Table 6 Average Monthly <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/occ/data/fy-2019-preliminary-data-table-6>

Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF)

◦ Total CCDF Expenditure (Including Quality):	\$4,372,490
◦ CCDF Federal Expenditure:	\$4,372,490
◦ CCDF State/Territory Expenditure:	Not available

Source(s): U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2021). CCDF Expenditures for FY 2019 (all appropriation years). Table 4a: All expenditures by State-Categorical Summary. <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/occ/resource/fy-2018-ccdf-table-4a>

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2020). CCDF Expenditures for FY 2018 (all appropriation years). Table 3a - All Expenditures by State - Detailed Summary. <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/occ/resource/fy-2018-ccdf-table-3a>

CCDF Quality Expenditures

◦ Total Quality Expenditure:	\$326,617
◦ Quality Activities (Set Aside Funds):	\$326,617
◦ Infant and Toddler (Targeted Funds):	Not available

◦ Quality Expansion Funds (Targeted Funds):	Not available
◦ School-Age/Resource and Referral (Targeted Funds):	Not available

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) for Child Care

◦ TANF - Total Child Care Expenditure:	Not available
◦ TANF - Direct Expenditure on Child Care:	Not available
◦ TANF - Transfer to CCDF:	Not available

Source(s): U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Family Assistance. (2020). Fiscal Year 2019 TANF Financial Data. <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ofa/resource/tanf-financial-data-fy-2019>

ChildCare Tax Credits

◦ Tax Credit Federal Total Amount Claimed:	Not available
◦ Tax Credit Federal Number of Claims:	Not available
◦ State/Territory Tax Credit Available - 2015:	Not available
◦ State/Territory Tax Credit Refundable:	Not available

Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP)

◦ CACFP Funding:	Not available
◦ Number of Family Child Care Homes Participating:	Not available
◦ Number of Child Care Centers (includes Head Start Programs) Participating:	Not available

Source(s): Food Research and Action Center. (2020). State of the States: Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP) in FY 2019. http://www.frac.org/maps/sos/tables/sos_tab_cacfp.html

Head Start

◦ Head Start Federal Allocation:	Not available
◦ Head Start State/Territory Allocation:	Not available
◦ Number of Children Participating:	Not available

Source(s): National Institute for Early Education Research. (2021). The 2020 state of preschool yearbook. <http://nieer.org/state-preschool-yearbooks/2020>

IDEA Part B, Section 619

◦ IDEA Part B Funding:	Not available
◦ Number of Children Served (Ages 3- through 5-Years-Old):	78

Source(s): U.S. Department of Education. (2021). Fiscal Years 2019-2021 State Tables for the U.S. Department of VIRGIN ISLANDS | November 2021

IDEA Part C

◦ IDEA Part C Funding:	\$823,068
◦ Number of Children Served (Ages Birth through 2-Years-Old):	104

Source(s): U.S. Department of Education. (2021). Fiscal Years 2019-2021 State Tables for the U.S. Department of Education. <https://www2.ed.gov/about/overview/budget/statetables/index.html>

Pre-kindergarten

◦ Pre-kindergarten Total Expenditure:	Not available
◦ Enrollment (4-year-olds and under):	Not available

Note: Total Expenditure includes all State/Territory, Local, and Federal dollars. In addition to 3 and 4-year-olds, some Pre-kindergarten programs enroll children of other ages.

Source(s): National Institute for Early Education Research. (2021). The 2020 state of preschool yearbook. <https://nieer.org/state-preschool-yearbooks/yearbook2020>

CCDF SUBSIDY PROGRAM ADMINISTRATION

Income Eligibility at Determination

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	
Family Size	100 % of SMI (\$/Month)	85% of SMI(\$/Month) [Multiply(a) by 0.85]	(IF APPLICABLE) (\$/Month) Maximum Initial or First Tier Income Limit (or Threshold) if Lower Than 85% of Current SMI	IF APPLICABLE) (% of SMI) [Divide(c) by (a), multiply by 100] Income Level if Lower Than 85% of Current SMI
3	\$3,238.00	\$2,752.00	N/a	N/A

Source(s): U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 3.1.3 Family Size of 3: Eligible Children and Families - Income Eligibility at Determination. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.

Approaches Used for Promoting Continuity of Care

◦ Coordinating with Head Start, prekindergarten, or other early learning programs to create a package of arrangements that accommodates parents' work schedules	Yes
◦ Inquiring about whether the child has an Individualized Education Program (IEP) or Individual Family Services Plan (IFSP)	Not available
◦ Establishing minimum eligibility periods greater than 12 months	Not available
◦ Using cross-enrollment or referrals to other public benefits	Not available
◦ Working with IDEA Part B, Section 619 and Part C staff to explore how services included in a child's IEP or IFSP can be supported and/or provided onsite and in collaboration with child care services	Not available
◦ Providing more intensive case management for families with children with multiple risk factors;	Not available
◦ Implementing policies and procedures that promote universal design to ensure that activities and environments are accessible to all children, including children with sensory, physical, or other disabilities	Not available
◦ Other:	Not available
Not available	

Source(s): U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care, VIRGIN ISLANDS | November 2021

Increasing Access for Vulnerable Children and Families

Children with Special Needs	
◦ Prioritize for enrollment	Yes
◦ Serve without placing these populations on waiting lists	Yes
◦ Waive co-payments	Not available
◦ Pay higher rates for access to higher quality care	Not available
◦ Use grants or contracts to reserve slots for priority populations	Not available
◦ Other:	Described Below
Services are prioritized and provided based on the child special needs, protective parents, homelessness, and Temporary Assistance Needy Family participation.	
Families with Very Low Incomes	
◦ Prioritize for enrollment	Yes
◦ Serve without placing these populations on waiting lists	Yes
◦ Waive co-payments	Not available
◦ Pay higher rates for access to higher quality care	Not available
◦ Use grants or contracts to reserve slots for priority populations	Not available
◦ Other:	Described Below
Services are prioritized and provided based on the family income.	
Children Experiencing Homelessness	
◦ Prioritize for enrollment	Yes
◦ Serve without placing these populations on waiting lists	Yes
◦ Waive co-payments	Yes
◦ Pay higher rates for access to higher quality care	Not available
◦ Use grants or contracts to reserve slots for priority populations	Not available
◦ Other:	Described Below
Services are prioritized and provided based on the need of the family.	
Families Receiving TANF*	

◦ Prioritize for enrollment	Yes
◦ Serve without placing these populations on waiting lists	Yes
◦ Waive co-payments	Not available
◦ Pay higher rates for access to higher quality care	Not available
◦ Use grants or contracts to reserve slots for priority populations	Not available
◦ Other:	Described Below
<p>OCCRS works closely with the TANF program to ensure a smooth transition between both units on behalf of the children. During transition, child care services continue for three months after TANF is discontinued, as long as they have not been disqualified because of intentional program violations. Clients must submit documentation of work or employment or if enrolled in a job training or educational program to show income eligibility and continue child care services. The goal is for the children not to experience an interruption in their child care services.</p>	

* Includes families receiving TANF program funds, those transitioning off TANF through work activities, or those at risk of becoming dependent on TANF.

Source(s): U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Reports 3.2.2a, 3.2.2b, 3.2.2c, 3.2.2d, 3.2.2a-2, 3.2.2b-2, 3.2.2c-2, and 3.2.2d-2: Increasing Access for Vulnerable Children and Families. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.

Use of Grants or Contracts to Increase the Supply of Specific Types of Child Care

◦ Programs to serve children with disabilities	Not available
◦ Programs to serve infants and toddlers	Yes
◦ Programs to serve school-age children	Not available
◦ Programs to serve children needing non-traditional hour care	Not available
◦ Programs to serve children experiencing homelessness	Not available
◦ Programs to serve children in underserved areas	Not available
◦ Programs that serve children with diverse linguistic or cultural backgrounds	Not available
◦ Programs that serve specific geographic areas (urban)	Not available
◦ Programs that serve specific geographic areas (rural)	Not available
◦ Other:	Described Below
Not applicable in the V.I.	

Use of Grants or Contracts to Increase the Quality of Specific Types of Child Care

◦ Programs to serve children with disabilities	Not available
◦ Programs to serve infants and toddlers	Yes
◦ Programs to serve school-age children	Not available

◦ Programs to serve children needing non-traditional hour care	Not available
◦ Programs to serve children experiencing homelessness	Not available
◦ Programs to serve children in underserved areas	Not available
◦ Programs that serve children with diverse linguistic or cultural backgrounds	Not available
◦ Programs that serve specific geographic areas (urban)	Not available
◦ Programs that serve specific geographic areas (rural)	Not available
◦ Other:	Described Below
Not applicable in the V.I.	

Base payment rates and percentiles

Age	Center	Percentile of most recent MRS	Family Child Care	Percentile of most recent MRS
Infant	\$ 340.00/ month	50	\$ 0.00/ month	
Toddler	\$ 340.00/ month	50	\$ 0.00/ month	
Preschool	\$ 360.00/ month	70	\$ 360.00/ month	70
School Age	\$ 170.00/ month	60	\$ 0.00/ month	
Effective date of payment rates: 10/1/2016				
Market rate survey (MRS) date: 7/9/2018				

Source(s): U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 4.3.1: Setting Payment Rates. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 4.2.5a: Setting Payment Rates. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.

Tiered Reimbursement or Differential Rates

◦ Differential rate for non-traditional hours. Describe	Not available
◦ Differential rate for children with special needs, as defined by the state/territory.	Yes
◦ Differential rate for infants and toddlers. Note: Do not check if the Lead Agency has a different base rate for infants/toddlers with no separate bonus or add-on	Yes
◦ Differential rate for school-age programs. Note: Do not check if the Lead Agency has a different base rate for school-age children with no separate bonus or add-on.	Not available
◦ Differential rate for higher quality, as defined by the state/territory.	Yes
◦ Other differential rates or tiered rates.	Not available
◦ Tiered or differential rates are not implemented.	Not available

CCDF Co-Payments by Family Size

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	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)
Family Size	Lowest “Entry” Income Level Where Family Is First Charged Co-Pay (Greater Than \$0)	What Is the Monthly Co-Payment for a Family of This Size Based on the Income Level in (a)?	The Co-Payment in Column (b) is What Percentage of the Income in Column (a)?	Highest “Entry” Income Level Before a Family Is No Longer Eligible	What Is the Monthly Co-Payment for a Family of This Size Based on the Income Level in (d)?	The Co-Payment in Column (e) is What Percentage of the Income in Column (d)?
3	\$1,778.00			\$2,506.00	\$48.00	1.9

Source(s): U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 3.4.1a Family Size of 3: Family Contribution to Payment - CCDF Co-Payments by Family Size. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.

Family Contribution to Payment

◦ No, the Lead Agency does not waive family contributions/co-payments.	Not available
◦ Yes, the Lead Agency waives family contributions/co-payments for families with an income at or below the Federal poverty level for families of the same size.	Yes
◦ Yes, the Lead Agency waives family contributions/co-payments for families who are receiving or needing to receive protective services, as determined by the Lead Agency for purposes of CCDF eligibility. Describe the policy and provide the policy citation..	Yes

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Describe contributions/co-payments for families who are receiving or needing to receive protective services 	<p>It is the policy of the Lead agency to waive the family contributions/co-payments for families who are receiving or needing to receive protective services. The V.I. Department of Human Services (DHS) is the designated entity with jurisdiction over children in Foster Care as well as children receiving Protective Services from the Department. As such, V.I. DHS is responsible for the development and dissemination of policy governing the treatment of children placed in Foster Care and Protective Services. Children in these Special Populations are given priority for access to child care and no co-pay is required. Parents' incomes are not required because the eligibility is determined upon the Special Population category. All Foster Care and Protective Services children are referred to the Lead Agency by the Office of Intake and Emergency Services or the Divisions of Children and Family Services or Juvenile http://www.dhs.gov.vi/OCCRS/documents/PolicyMemorandumOCCRS102FY2019SubsidyPolicyforFosterCareandProtectiveServices.pdf.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Yes, the Lead Agency waives family contributions/co-payments for other criteria established by the Lead Agency. Describe the policy and provide the policy citation 	<p>Yes</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Describe contributions/co-payments for other criteria (See table below) 	<p>Described Below</p>
<p>The Lead Agency waives the family contribution/co-payments for families who are categorized as Homeless. These families meet the criteria of very low income as they are usually at or below the poverty level http://www.dhs.gov.vi/OCCRS/documents/HomelessChildrenandFamiliesOCCRSPolicyMemorandum1032019.pdf.</p>	

Source(s): U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 3.4.4: Family Contribution to Payment - Family Contribution to Payment. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

Child-Staff Ratios by Group Size by Age of Children for Licensed Child Care Centers

Age of Children	Child-Staff Ratio	Group Size
Infant (11 months)	5:1	10
Toddler (35 months)	8:1	16
Preschool (59months)	9:1	18
School-age (6 years)	12:1	24
School-age (10 years and older)	12:1	24
If any of the responses above are different for exempt child care centers, describe which requirements apply:	Described Below	
<p>Religious exempt center ratios are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Infants to 24 months: 4:1 2. Ages 2 through 5: 10:1 3. Ages 6 through 12: 25:1 <p>Group size: With the exception of when meals or snacks are served, the designated rest period, evening and overnight sleep time, outdoor play, field trips, special group activities, or during the first and last hour of operation when the provider operates more than six hours per day; facilities operated by, or under the auspices, of a religious institution and are exempt from licensure shall ensure the following group size requirements are maintained at all times:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. For children from birth to two years, the maximum group size is 12 children. 2. For children from two years to six years, the maximum group size is 30 children. 3. For children who are six years up to 12 years of age, group size requirements in this section do not apply. 		

Source(s): National Center on Early Childhood Quality Assurance. (2021). 2020 Child Care Licensing Study: Analysis of child care licensing regulations. [Unpublished data].

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 5.2.1a-5_6_7: Standards on ratios, group sizes, and qualifications for CCDF providers.- exempt child care centers. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.

QUALITY IMPROVEMENT

Use of Quality Funds

	Yes/No	CCDF Funds	Other Funds	Other (describe)
Supporting the training and professional development of the child care workforce	Yes	Yes	Not available	Not available
Developing, maintaining, or implementing early learning and developmental guidelines	Yes	Yes	Not available	Not available
Developing, implementing, or enhancing a tiered quality rating and improvement system	Yes	Yes	Not available	Not available
Improving the supply and quality of child care services for infants and toddlers	Yes	Yes	Not available	Not available
Establishing or expanding a statewide system of CCR&R services	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available
Facilitating compliance with state/territory requirements for inspection, monitoring, training, and health and safety standards	Yes	Yes	Not available	Not available
Evaluating and assessing the quality and effectiveness of child care services within the state/territorys	Yes	Yes	Yes	Described Below
Supporting accreditation	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available

	Yes/No	CCDF Funds	Other Funds	Other (describe)
Supporting state/territory or local efforts to develop high-quality program standards relating to health, mental health, nutrition, physical activity, and physical development	Yes	Yes	Not available	Not available
Other activities determined by the state/territory to improve the quality of child care services and which measurement of outcomes related to improved provider preparedness, child safety, child well-being, or kindergarten entry is possible	Not available	Not available	Not available	Not available

Use of Quality Funds - Continued

	Other (describe)
Supporting the training and professional development of the child care workforce	Not available
Developing, maintaining, or implementing early learning and developmental guidelines	Not available
Developing, implementing, or enhancing a tiered quality rating and improvement system	Not available
Improving the supply and quality of child care services for infants and toddlers	Not available
Facilitating compliance with state/territory requirements for inspection, monitoring, training, and health and safety standards	Not available

	Other (describe)
<p>Evaluating and assessing the quality and effectiveness of child care services within the state/territorys</p>	<p>The USVI’s PDG B-5 Project, Road to Success: Developing an early childhood care and education mixed delivery system for the B5 population in the USVI, is funded by ACF. The research team will work with a core team from the VI Department of Human Services, representatives of key partner agencies, and members of the USVI’s State Advisory Council to: complete a Needs Assessment; develop a Strategic Plan; provide information to maximize parental choice and knowledge about the USVI’s early childhood care and education programs (ECE); share best practices among ECE. The PDG B-5 project is intended to strengthen the ECE mixed-delivery system in the USVI; improve the quality of care; foster collaboration and partnerships among ECE providers; maximize available, high quality ECE options for low-income and disadvantaged families; and maximize parental choice among ECE programs and providers in the USVI (UVICERC February 2019). A comprehensive Needs Assessment will be completed by the PDGB-5 project and will be instrumental in assisting the Lead Agency evaluate and assess the quality and effectiveness of child care services within the territory.</p>
<p>Supporting accreditation</p>	<p>Not available</p>

	Other (describe)
Supporting state/territory or local efforts to develop high-quality program standards relating to health, mental health, nutrition, physical activity, and physical development	Not available
Other activities determined by the state/territory to improve the quality of child care services and which measurement of outcomes related to improved provider preparedness, child safety, child well-being, or kindergarten entry is possible	Not available

Source(s):

- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Reports 7.2.1 and 7.2.1-1: Use of Quality Funds - Supporting the training and professional development of the child care workforce. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 7.2.1 and 7.2.1-2: Use of Quality Funds - Developing, maintaining, or implementing early learning and developmental guidelines. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 7.2.1 and 7.2.1-3: Use of Quality Funds - Developing, implementing, or enhancing a tiered quality rating and improvement system. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 7.2.1 and 7.2.1-4: Use of Quality Funds - Improving the supply and quality of child care services for infants and toddlers. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 7.2.1 and 7.2.1-5: Use of Quality Funds - Establishing or expanding a statewide system of CCR&R services. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 7.2.1 and 7.2.1-6: Use of Quality Funds - Facilitating compliance with state/territory requirements for inspection, monitoring, training, and health and safety standards. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 7.2.1 and 7.2.1-7: Use of Quality Funds - Evaluating and assessing the quality and effectiveness of child care services within the state/territory. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 7.2.1 and 7.2.1-8: Use of Quality Funds - Supporting accreditation. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 7.2.1 and 7.2.1-9: Use of Quality Funds - Supporting state/territory or local efforts to develop high-quality program standards relating to health, mental health, nutrition, physical activity, and physical development. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.
- U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 7.2.1 and 7.2.1-10: Use of Quality Funds - Other activities determined by the state/territory to improve the quality of child care services and which measurement of outcomes related to improved provider preparedness, child safety, child well-being, or kindergarten entry is possible. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.

Outreach to Families with Limited English Proficiency

Application in other languages (application document, brochures, provider notices)	Not available
Informational materials in non-English languages	Yes
Website in non-English languages	Not available

Lead Agency accepts applications at local community-based locations	Not available
Bilingual caseworkers or translators available	Yes
Bilingual outreach workers	Not available
Partnerships with community-based organizations	Not available
Other	Not available
Describe Other	Not available
Not available	

Source(s): U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 2.1.1-1 and 2.1.1-2: Outreach to Families with Limited English Proficiency - Strategies the Lead Agency or partners utilize to provide outreach and services to eligible families for whom English is not their first language. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.

Outreach to Families with a Person(s) with Disabilities

Applications and public informational materials available in Braille and other communication formats for access by individuals with disabilities	Not available
Websites that are accessible (e.g., Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act)	Not available
Caseworkers with specialized training/experience in working with individuals with disabilities	Not available
Ensuring accessibility of environments and activities for all children	Yes
Partnerships with state and local programs and associations focused on disability-related topics and issues	Yes
Partnerships with parent associations, support groups, and parent-to-parent support groups, including the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) federally funded Parent Training and Information Centers	Not available
Partnerships with state and local IDEA Part B, Section 619 and Part C providers and agencies	Yes
Availability and/or access to specialized services (e.g., mental health, behavioral specialists, therapists) to address the needs of all children	Yes
Other	Not available
Describe Other	Not available
Not available	

Source(s): U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 2.1.2-1 and 2.1.2-2: Outreach to Families with Limited English Proficiency - Strategies the Lead Agency or partners utilize to provide outreach and services to eligible families with a person(s) with a disability. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.

Consumer Education Website

<p>How the Lead Agency ensures that its website is consumer-friendly and easily accessible</p>	<p>The Department of Human Services' Lead Agency website can be found at www.dhs.gov.vi/OCCRS/documents.pdf. It is user-friendly and accessible to parents, child care providers, and the general public. The website includes policies and procedures for licensing child care providers, lists the child care providers with contact information such as address and phone number and uses plain language. However, in our efforts to meet the full qualifications of the CCDBG Re-Authorization of 2014 for Consumer Education Websites, the Lead Agency is working intensive technical assistance from an ACF -Office of Child Care TA Provider and has completed the RFP to retain a Contractor who will work with us to design, develop, and implement the new OCCRS Website. The target date for the Launch of the new V.I. Consumer Education Website is by or before April 1, 2020.</p>
<p>How the website ensures the widest possible access to services for families that speak languages other than English</p>	<p>Not available</p>
<p>How the website ensures the widest possible access to services for persons with disabilities</p>	<p>Not available</p>

Source(s): U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Office of Child Care. (2019). Report 2.3.1, 2.3.1, and 2.3.3: Consumer Education Website. ACF-118 Data Submission Center.

FOOTNOTES

Source Footnotes:

- Demographics - Total Population 12 and Under
 - U.S. Census Bureau. (n.d.). In American Community Survey, 2010. QT-P2 Single Years of Age and Sex. Retrieved from American FactFinder: http://factfinder2.census.gov/faces/tableservices/jsf/pages/productview.xhtml?pid=DEC_10_SF1_QTP2&prodType=table
- Demographics - Poverty Statistics
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