

Child and Family Services Reviews Update

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2010 CFSR Onsite Reviews Schedule

The fiscal year (FY) 2010 Child and Family Services Reviews (CFSRs) continue with just four more reviews to close out round 2. The upcoming CFSR FY 2010 onsite reviews include:

Puerto Rico: July 12-16, 2010

New Hampshire: August 2-6, 2010

Iowa: August 23-27, 2010

Washington: September 13-17, 2010

The FY 2010 onsite review schedule can also be found at the following link:

http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/cb/cwmonitoring/general_info/fy2010.htm

New Resources Available For Technical Assistance

Two new National Resource Centers (NRCs) have joined the training and technical assistance (T/TA) provider network and are available to provide technical assistance.

The **NRC for In-Home Services** serves as a national center of expertise regarding child welfare practice related to ensuring the safety of children and youth in their homes and making reasonable efforts to preserve families in which maltreatment has occurred. Their goal is to provide T/TA for effective and promising alternatives to out-of-home care and build the capacity of State, local, and tribal systems to provide services that will ensure the safety and well-being of children and youth in their homes while preserving, supporting, and stabilizing families. For more information, see <http://nrcinhome.socialwork.uiowa.edu/>.

The **National Resource Center for Tribes** engages Tribes to increase their access to and use of the T/TA Network, brokers T/TA, assists in the provision of T/TA as needed, facilitates peer-to-peer consultation between Tribes regarding child welfare issues, and increases cultural competence and sensitivity to tribal voices in the T/TA Network and in State child welfare systems. For more information, see <http://www.nrc4tribes.org/>.

In addition, the **Training and Technical Assistance Coordination Center (TTACC)** was funded to provide a single point-of-coordination system for tracking requests and for coordinating responses to requests for on-site training and technical assistance to States and Tribes. For more information, email TTACC@jbsinternational.com

Changes in CFSR Leadership

Bryan H. Samuels was confirmed on February 11, 2010, as Commissioner of the Administration on Children, Youth and Families, in the Department of Health and Human Services. Mr. Samuels has spent much of his career in public service both as director of the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services and most recently as chief of staff for Chicago Public Schools. He also was a professor at the University of Chicago's School of Social Service Administration. He has a Master's Degree from the University of Chicago, Harris School of Public Policy Studies, and a Bachelor of Arts Degree from the University of Notre Dame.

Linda Mitchell, Senior Child Welfare Specialist, is the interim lead for the CFSR Unit.

The CFSR Unit recently said farewell to June Lloyd, Region VI Program Manager, and Sally Flanzer, Region IX Program Manager, who both retired, and to Christina Vela, Child Welfare Specialist.