

#### **Annual Outcome Goal Plan**

Supplemental Guidance for Completing Performance Goals and Actuals and Performance Narrative

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#### Introduction to the Annual Outcome Goal Plan

- AOGP is required annually for all States and Replacement Designees
  - Part of compliance with Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA)
- Includes two parts:
  - Performance Goals and Actuals
  - Performance Narrative
- Forms, instructions, and a final completion checklist will be sent by ORR to each state
  - For reference, also available on ORR's webpage at http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/orr/resource/report-forms
- Due by November 30 each year
  - Submitted to RADS
  - State Analysts available to provide assistance

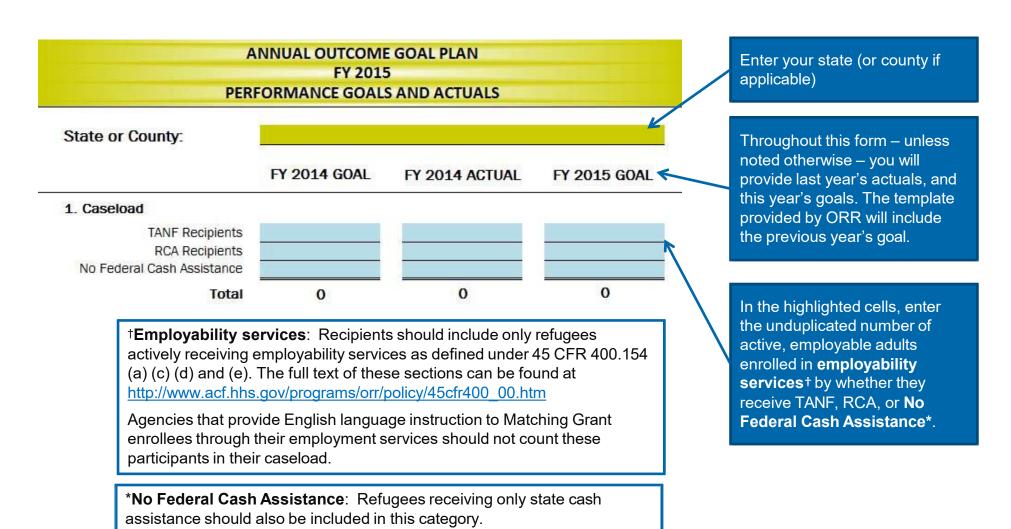
#### **Objectives of Supplemental Guidance**

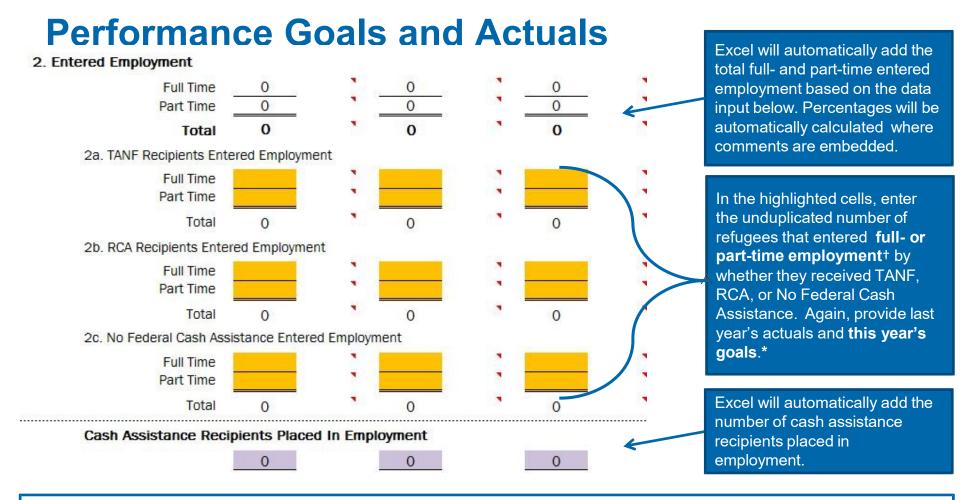
- This presentation reviews the AOGP as a means of providing supplemental guidance to grantees.
- Provides step-by-step explanations for each field in the AOGP.
- Text boxes highlight key points and important details.
- Organized by the two components of the AOGP.
  - Performance Goals and Actuals
  - Performance Narrative

# **Annual Outcome Goal Plan Performance Goals and Actuals**

- The Performance Goals and Actuals portion of the AOGP is a form in RADS which includes several sections pertaining to caseload, cash assistance, and employment, wages, retention, and ORR funding.
- Each short section requires data to be reported on last year's actuals and this year's goals.
- You must use the ORR RADS system.

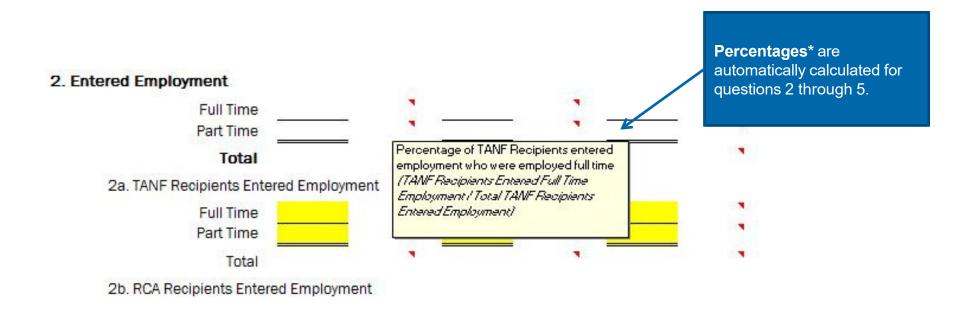
- States and Replacement Designees should establish targets aimed at improving upon the previous year's actuals.
- Goals should maintain a realistic approach to possible outcomes based upon knowledge of your state's job market and economic environment.
- Account for employability characteristics and/or limitations of the anticipated caseload for employment services and the various forces that impact a client entering employment.





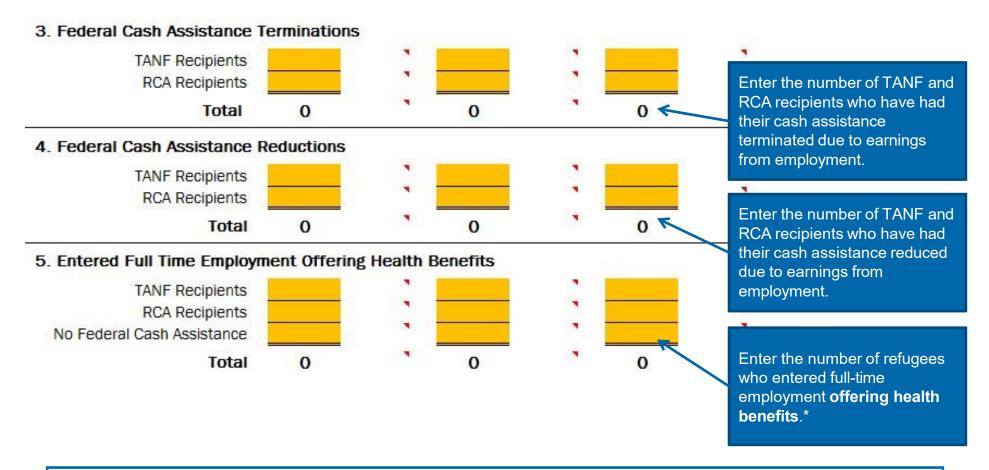
**†Full- or part-time employment**: Full-time and part-time positions are differentiated by 35 hours per week of work. Full-time is greater than or equal to 35 hours per week. Part-time is less than 35 hours per week.

\*This year's goals: ORR has committed to specific increases based on a given program's performance for this measure. For State/Wilson-Fish programs with previous FY Actual entered employment rates of less than 50%, the current FY Goal should reflect at least a 5% increase over the Actual. For programs with previous FY Actual of more than 50% but less than 85%, a 3% increase is acceptable.



\*Percentages: Questions 2 – 5 include imbedded calculations to determine various percentages and rates (e.g. percent entered employment, cash assistance termination rate, etc.). Each is explained with in a comment in Excel that is visible when you mouse over cells with a red triangle in the corner (see example comment/explanation above).

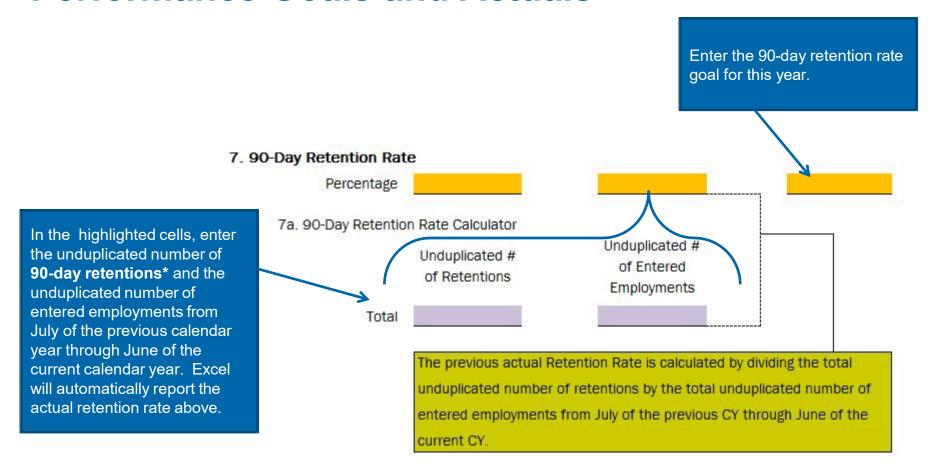
<u>If any of the percentages calculated are more than 100% then you have a data error</u>. In such cases, review the data that go into the calculation and make corrections accordingly.



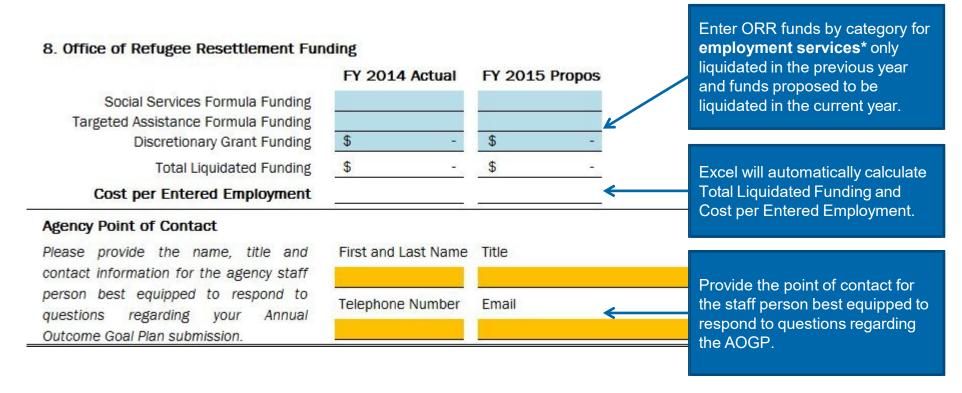
\*Offering health benefits: Report those who were offered health benefits within the first six months of employment regardless of whether or not the benefits were taken.



\*Average hourly wage is calculated as the sum of the hourly wages for the full-time placements divided by the total number of full-time placements each state.



\*90-day retention is a measure of retention of employment, not necessarily retention of a specific job. As long as the refugee remains employed in a job a quarter after employment entry, it is considered a retention even if it is not the same job started during the previous baseline quarter.



\*Employment services includes only those defined in 40 CFR 400.154 (a), which includes development of a family self-sufficiency plan and an individual employability plan, world-of-work and job orientation, job clubs, job workshops, job development, referral to job opportunities, job search, and job placement follow up.

# **Annual Outcome Goal Plan Performance Narrative**

- The Performance Narrative portion of the AOGP is a form in RADS that includes 10 questions.
  - Complete after finishing the Performance Actuals and Goals.
- Questions ask whether goals were met and prompt for further explanation.
  - Respond to each question as thoroughly as possible.
- Information provided in the Performance Narrative is important for understanding an individual program's performance and analyzing overall trends affecting programs nationwide.

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Performance Narrative

State or County: [Enter state or county name]	
Did the FY [previous year] Actual Caseload meet or exceed the proposed FY [previous year]     Yes  No	Goal?
If no, provide an explanation as to why the goal was not met. If yes, please comment of significant factors contributing to the success.	n any
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Answer questions by checking boxes and typing in the gray shaded areas.

3. Did the total FY [previous year] Actual percentage for Federal Cash Assistance Terminations meet

- 1. Did the [previous year] Actual Caseload <u>meet or exceed</u> the proposed [previous year] Goal?
- 2. Did the total [previous year] Actual <u>percentage</u> for Entered Employment meet or exceed the proposed [previous year] Goal?
- 3. Did the total [previous year] Actual <u>percentage</u> for Federal Cash Assistance Terminations meet or exceed the proposed [previous year] Goal?
- 4. Did the total [previous year] Actual <u>percentage</u> for Federal Cash Assistance Reductions meet or exceed the proposed [previous year] Goal?
- 5. Did the total [previous year] Actual <u>percentage</u> for Entered Employment Full Time Offering Health Benefits meet or exceed the proposed [previous year] Goal?

- 6. Did the [previous year] Actual Average Hourly Wage for Refugees Entering Full Time Employment meet or exceed the proposed [previous year] Goal?
- 7. Did the [previous year] 90-Day Retention Rate meet or exceed the proposed [previous year] Goal?
- 8. What further information do you feel is helpful in explaining overall program performance?
- 9. What information do you feel could be helpful in explaining [current year] goals?
- 10. How can the Annual Outcome Goal Plan forms or process be improved to better serve your program in effectively and efficiently reporting performance outcomes?

#### **Final Completion Checklist**

# OFFICE OF REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT ANNUAL OUTCOME GOAL PLAN Final Completion Checklist

Before submitting the completed Annual Outcome Goal Plan: Performance Goals and Actuals and Performance Narrative, please confirm the following:

All data provided: Data for each field on both the GoalPlan-1stPage and GoalPlan-2ndPage worksheets of the Annual Outcome Goal Plan: Performance Goals and Actuals are entered and accurate.
 Original redesigned form used: The Annual Outcome Goal Plan forms provided have been used without alteration to format or formulas.
 FY, not CY: Data provided follows the Federal Fiscal Year rather than the calendar year.
 Unduplicated number: Data is provided for each individual refugee rather than for each job, even though a single refugee may have been placed in multiple jobs during the FY.
 No percentages No percentages calculate to more than 100% on the Performance over 100%: Goals and Actuals form.
 Employability services only: Only refugees participating in employability services as defined under 45 CFR 400.154 (a) (c) (d) and (e) during the previous FY are included.
 Average wage for full-time employment only: Computation of the average wage was done using only full-time employments and does not include those working part-time.
 ★\*90-day Employment retention: Actuals data is provided as a total number of

unduplicated entered employments for whom the 90-day mark for measuring retention

The Final Completion Checklist is a guide to help you check your submission. Do not submit it with your AOGP.

#### **Questions and Answers**

