

HHS Funded Programs Relevant to State and Local Court

Activities to Address Limited English Proficiency (LEP) and Access to Justice

| FUNDING PROGRAM NAME | STATE COURTS ELIGIBLE (Y/N) ¹ | LEP SERVICES ALLOWABLE COSTS? (Y/N) ² | FY11 AWARD RECIPIENTS ³ | FUNDING PROGRAM INFORMATION | FY11 APPROPRIATIONS |
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| State Court Improvement Program, Basic Grant (HHS/ACYF) | Y | Y | All 50 States, DC and Puerto Rico * | http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/cb/laws_policies/policy/pi/2007/pi0709.htm | \$10,000,000 |
| State Court Improvement Program, Data and Training Grants (HHS/ACYF) | Y | Y | All 50 States, DC and Puerto Rico** | http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/cb/laws_policies/policy/pi/2006/pi0605.htm | \$20,000,000 |

¹ The highest State court of each State that participates in the programs funded by Title IV-E of the Social Security Act is eligible to apply for CIP funds. The term “highest State court” means the judicial tribunal that is the ultimate court of appeals in the state. The court may choose to enter into an agreement with another entity, such as a university or non-profit organization, for the purpose of complying with CIP requirements, particularly with regard to the assessment portion of the program or an evaluation.

² LEP activities must pertain to the purpose of the grant and be approved by the State’s CIP Task Force, included in the FY Strategic Plan and are subject to the review and approval of respective Children’s Bureau Regional Offices and the Federal Project Officer. Allowable LEP activities would include, but are not limited to: assessing the need for LEP services, assessing court handling of child abuse and neglect in which parties have LEP, task force and/or workgroup formation and participation to develop strategies to better serve LEP parties involved with the child welfare system, training on best practices in working with LEP populations for child welfare professionals and court personnel, and MIS and data sharing activities regarding LEP parties involved subject to child abuse and neglect proceedings.

*South Carolina did not apply for the Basic CIP grant in FY 2011.

**Hawaii and Wisconsin did not apply for the Data CIP grant in FY 2011.