



Interoffice Memorandum

January 7, 2019

AGENDA ITEM

TO: Mayor Jerry L. Demings
-AND-
Board of County Commissioners

THRU: Lonnie C. Bell, Jr., Director
Family Services Department

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Head Start Division
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SUBJECT: **Consent Agenda Item – January 15, 2019**
Orange County Head Start Eligibility Priority Selection Criteria 2019-2020

The Head Start Division requests Board approval of Orange County Head Start Eligibility Priority Selection Criteria 2019-2020. The eligibility priority selection criteria is required to establish a formal selection process, as mandated by the Improving Head Start for School Readiness Act of 2007 and the Head Start Program Performance Standard 1302.14, which indicates that a program must annually establish selection criteria that weigh the prioritization of selection of participants based on community needs identified in the community needs assessment as described in 1302.11 (b).

The eligibility priority selection criteria awards more points for at-risk children and families with lower income at or below 100% of the poverty level. The Head Start Policy Council approved the eligibility priority selection criteria at its meeting on December 20, 2018.

This standard eligibility priority selection criteria is used to determine the selection of eligible children for the Head Start Program. The County Attorney's Office and Risk Management Division have previously reviewed the eligibility priority selection criteria for legality and compliance with County requirements.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval of Orange County Head Start Eligibility Priority Selection Criteria 2019-2020 to establish a formal selection process for eligible children and families.

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Attachment(s)

c: Randy Singh, Deputy County Administrator
Cristina Berrios, Assistant County Attorney, County Attorney's Office
John Petrelli, Director, Risk Management and Professional Standards
Yolanda S. Brown, Manager, Fiscal Division, Family Services Department
Jamilie Clemens, Grants Supervisor, Finance Division
Nanette Melo, Management & Budget Administrator, Office of Management & Budget



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Eligibility Priority Selection Criteria 2019-2020		Points 18-19	Community Assessment	Proposed Points 2019-20
A	Age			
	4 years	95	HSPPS	95
	3 years	55	HSPPS	55
B	Eligibility			
	Homeless: McKinney Vento Act	500	HSPPS	500
	Foster Child	500	HSPPS	400
	Public Assistance: Currently in TANF/SSI benefits	100	HSPPS	100
	Income Eligible: 0%-25% Poverty Level	100	HSPPS	100
	Income Eligible: 26%-50% Poverty Level	75	HSPPS	75
	Income Eligible: 51%-75% Poverty Level	50	HSPPS	50
	Income Eligible: 76%-100% Poverty Level	25	HSPPS	25
	Over Income: Over 100% Poverty Level	0	HSPPS	0
C	Disability			
	Diagnosed (Public School IEP- Not older than a year)	200	CA2017 (P4)	300
	Diagnosed (Documented by Professional)	100	CA2017 (P4)	100
	Suspected (Documented by Professional)	25	CA2017 (P4)	25
D	Family Risk Factors (Choose all that apply)			
	Child Abuse/Neglected (Documented by Agency)	10	CA2016 (Page56)	10
	Alcohol, Drug Abuse, or Mental Illness (Documented by Agency)	10	CA2016(page49-50)	10
	No Access to Medical Care (Parent with No Insurance or No Eligible)	10	CA2017 (P7) CA2016(page49-50)	10
	Currently one or both parents/legal guardians unemployed and looking for employment	10	CA2016(page49-50) CA2017 (p5-8)	10
	Currently No GED or No Adult Education Completed	10	CA2016(page49-50) CA2017 (p5-8)	10
	Currently Income earned is not enough to cover rent and basic needs	10	CA2016(page49-50) CA2017 (p5-8)	10
	Foster, Kinship, Legal Guardian, Legal Relative Caregiver due to incarcerations of parents, substance abuse by parents, illness, disability or death of parents, parental abuse or neglect (Documented by Agency)	10	CA2016 (Page21)	10
	Immigrants/Refugees (Documented by Agency)	10	CA2016 (P16)	10
	Single Parent	10	C2017 (Page 4) CA2016 (P30)	10
E	Child Risk Factors (Choose all that apply)			
	Health Chronic Illness (Documented by Professional)	10	CA2016(page49-50)	10
	Child Nutritional Needs (Special Diet/WIC Documented by Professional or Agency)	10	CA2016(Page52-54)	10
	No Access to Medical Care (Eligible Child with No Insurance or No Eligible)	10	CA2017 (P7) CA2016(page49-50)	10
F	Transition and Continuation of Services			
	Transitioning from Early Head Start/Head Start Program (Documented by Agency)	25	HSPPS	25
	2018-2019 Eligible Waitlisted Child	5		5

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