

	DHS Early Head Start Program Policy		
ERSEA 10			
SUBJECT	Suspension and Expulsion		
REFERENCE	Eligibility, Recruitment, Selection, Enrollment, and Attendance		
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Policy:

The Early Head Start (EHS) Program, to include both the Early Head Start and the Early Head Start– Child Care Partnership (EHS-CCP) programs, prohibits Child Care Service Providers from suspending, expelling, or un-enrolling a child from an EHS program due to a child’s behavior.

Consultation with the Recipient's Mental Health Coordinator, Education Coordinator, in collaboration with the parents, must be conducted to determine if the child’s enrollment presents a safety threat to the child or other enrolled children. Other community resources should be considered if appropriate.

Exceptions to this policy may be considered on a case- by- case basis or where there is a serious safety threat. Any exceptions must be submitted to the Head Start Administrator and approved prior to any action.

Performance Standard:

1302.17 (a) (b)