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In Control: Head Start Policy Council Meeting

DEPARTMENT: Department of Human Services

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Melody Woosley

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Review of 2023-2024 Head Start and Early Head Start (EHS) End of Year (EOY) Family Assessment and Goal Setting Data

SUMMARY:

This item presents the following from the Department of Human Services (DHS) Head Start, Early Head Start, and Early Head Start-Child Care Partnership programs for action by the Head Start Policy Council.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Head Start Program Performance Standards 1301.2 requires the program to share ongoing monitoring results, data on school readiness goals and related information with the governing body and policy council. The family assessment evaluates families' functioning in a range of 11 areas, including housing stability, feelings on safety, parenting skills level and transportation status, this

is rated on a 3-point scale, where 1 shows family has demonstrated need in this area; 2 shows family functioning is adequate in this area; and 3 shows family functioning is strong in this area. The Head Start program developed the family assessment based on guidance from the Office of Head Start.

The HSPPS Section 1302.52 requires the program to implement a family partnership process that includes a family partnership to support family well-being, including family safety, health, and economic stability, to support child learning and development, to provide, if applicable, services and supports for children with disabilities, and to foster parental confidence and skills that promote the early learning and development of their children.

ISSUE:

Rules and regulations for the Head Start, Early Head Start, and Early Start-Child Care Partnership grants as set forth by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) require the Head Start Policy Council to review programmatic actions to oversee certain key responsibilities.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no anticipated impact to the general fund as a result of these actions.

ALTERNATIVES:

The review of the items included in this memorandum are required for program compliance with U.S. Department of Health and Human Services rules and regulations for Head Start, Early Head Start, and Early Head Start- Child Care Partnership programs.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff will present a briefing on this item subject to possible action by the HSPC Committee. Staff recommends review and approval of the items included in this memorandum.