

# Budget Unit Brief

## FY 2017



## Child Abuse Prevention Program - Administrative Support

### History and Purpose

The purpose of the [Iowa Child Abuse Prevention Program](#) (ICAPP) is to prevent child maltreatment. The ICAPP, a state and federally funded program, was established in 1982. ICAPP funding is used to provide the following services:

- Community development projects: educates and informs community members about child abuse and prevention
- Home visitation: meets parents in their home to provide parenting education and access to community resources
- Parent development: focuses on parenting techniques and age-appropriate behaviors while creating an informal, supportive network among attendees
- Respite care services: provides parents with an educational environment for their children while they receive temporary relief from caregiving responsibilities during times of emergency
- Sexual abuse prevention: educates parents, community members, and children about sexual abuse and prevention

The [Iowa Department of Human Services](#) (DHS) has contracted with a statewide nonprofit organization, [Prevent Child Abuse Iowa](#), to assist in the administration of the Iowa Child Abuse Prevention Program. The ICAPP administrative contract was procured through a competitive RFP (request for proposals) and awarded to Prevent Child Abuse Iowa for FY 2012. The contract was effective July 1, 2011, for an additional one-year contract term, with the ability to extend the contract for five additional one-year terms. The projected contract end date, including all potential renewals, is June 30, 2017.

The administrative duties of the ICAPP include administering a competitive grant program for prevention services to be provided by local community-based prevention volunteer councils; providing technical assistance to local councils and subcontracted service providers; conducting general research as it relates to the prevention of child maltreatment; and evaluating the various local services funded by the overall program.

### Funding - State General Fund

There is a standing unlimited appropriation in Iowa Code section [144.13A\(4\)\(a\)](#) from the General Fund that permits the DHS to receive \$10 of the \$20 Birth Certificate Registration Fee. This amount has been approximately \$211,000 annually over the last five years. The remaining \$10 of the Birth Certificate Registration Fee is appropriated for the [Congenital and Inherited Disorders Registry](#).

In FY 2015, \$188,039 (88%) of the Birth Certificate Registration Fee appropriation for the Child Abuse Prevention Program went toward administrative costs, and the remaining funds were expended on service contracts. The Program's administrative costs are funded solely by this appropriation and make up 14.0% of the Child Abuse Prevention Program's overall budget.

The ICAPP also receives funding from the Child and Family Services appropriation annually in the Health and Human Services Appropriations Act.

### Funding - Other Sources of Funding

Other funding sources for the Child Abuse Prevention Program include:

- [Promoting Safe and Stable Families Federal Grant](#)
- [Child Abuse Prevention Treatment Act \(CAPTA\) Federal Grant](#)
- [Temporary Assistance for Needy Families \(TANF\) Federal Funds](#)
- [Child Abuse Prevention Income Tax Check-Off](#)

### More Information

Iowa Child Abuse Prevention Program: <http://dhs.iowa.gov/child-abuse-prevention>

Iowa General Assembly: <https://www.legis.iowa.gov/>

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### Related Statutes and Administrative Rules

Iowa Code sections [235A.1](#) and [235A.2](#)  
[441](#) Iowa Administrative Code chapter [155](#)

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