
BUDGET UNIT BRIEF – FY 2020

Fiscal Services Division

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Child Abuse Prevention — 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. Iowa Child Abuse Prevention Program funding is used to provide the following services:

- Community development projects: Educating and informing community members about child abuse and prevention.
- Home visitation: Meeting parents in their homes to provide parenting education and access to community resources.
- Parent development: Focusing on parenting techniques and age-appropriate behaviors while creating an informal, supportive network among attendees.
- Respite care services: Providing parents with an educational environment for their children while parents receive temporary relief from caregiving responsibilities during times of emergency.
- Sexual abuse prevention: Educating 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. A new competitive procurement process for the administration of the ICAPP was issued for FY 2018 through FY 2023. This procurement combined administration for ICAPP services with administration for the Program. A contract was issued to Prevent Child Abuse Iowa. The contract amount for FY 2018 is \$294,243, and it will increase annually to \$298,748 for FY 2023.

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 General Fund appropriation in Iowa Code section [144.13A\(4\)\(a\)](#) that permits the DHS to receive \$10 of the \$20 Birth Certificate Registration Fee for the ICAPP. This amount has generated approximately \$213,000 annually over the past five years. The remaining \$10 of the Birth Certificate Registration Fee is appropriated for the Congenital and Inherited Disorders Registry.

The Program's administrative costs are funded solely by the appropriation and make up 14.0% of the Iowa Child Abuse Prevention Program's overall budget.

More Information

Iowa Child Abuse Prevention Program: www.pcaiowa.org/programs/icapp
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The ICAPP also receives funding annually from the Child and Family Services appropriation in the Health and Human Services Appropriations Act.

Other Sources of Funding

Other sources of funding for the Iowa Child Abuse Prevention Program include:

- Promoting Safe and Stable Families federal grant
- Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act federal grant
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Block Grant funds
- Iowa Child Abuse Prevention Program income tax checkoff

Related Statutes and Administrative Rules

Iowa Code sections [235A.1](#) and [144.13A\(4\)\(a\)](#)
Iowa Administrative Code [441](#)

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