

locations fall under the OPT/SLP provider agreement and are identified under the OPT/SLP provider number.

Form CMS-381 is used by the SA, AO, and by the CMS Survey Operations Group to identify extension locations where services are furnished by providers of outpatient physical therapy and speech-language pathology services. These locations must be known to surveyors to ensure the appropriate monitoring of providers' compliance with the Federal requirements. *Form Number:* CMS-381 (OMB control number: 0938-0273); *Frequency:* Occasionally; *Affected Public:* Private Sector; Business or other for-profit and not-for-profit institutions; *Number of Respondents:* 501; *Total Annual Responses:* 501; *Total Annual Hours:* 229. (For policy questions regarding this collection contact Caecilia Andrews at 410-786-2190.)

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Administration for Children and Families

[Office of Management and Budget #: 0970-0428]

Submission for Office of Management and Budget Review; Case Plan Requirement, Title IV-E of the Social Security Act

AGENCY: Children's Bureau, Administration for Children and

Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

ACTION: Request for public comments.

SUMMARY: The Administration for Children and Families (ACF) is requesting a 3-year extension of the information collection Case Plan Requirement, Title IV-E of the Social Security Act, (Office of Management and Budget (OMB) #: 0970-0428, expiration September 30, 2026). There are no changes to the requirements, but burden estimates have been updated to reflect a reduction in average time to complete a case plan and the current numbers of children in foster care.

DATES: Comments due June 17, 2026.

ADDRESSES: The public may view and comment on this information collection request at: https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref_nbr=202605-0970-005. You can also obtain copies of the proposed collection of information by emailing infocollection@acf.hhs.gov. Identify all emailed requests by the title of the information collection.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Description: The case plan information collection is authorized in sections 422(b)(8)(A)(ii) and 471(a)(16), and defined in sections 475 and 475A of the Social Security Act (the Act). Statutory requirements in the Act mandate that states, territories, and tribes with an approved title IV-E plan develop a case review system and case plan for each child in the foster care system for whom the state, territory, or tribe receives title IV-E reimbursement of foster care maintenance payments. The case review system assures that each child has a case plan designed to achieve placement in a safe setting that

is the least restrictive, most family-like setting available and near the child's parental home, consistent with the best interest and special needs of the child. States, territories, and tribes meeting these requirements also partly comply with title IV-B, section 422(b), of the Act, which assures certain protections for children in foster care. The case plan is a written document that provides a narrative description of the child-specific program of care. Federal regulations at 45 CFR 1356.21(g) and sections 475 and 475A of the Act delineate the specific information that must be addressed in the case plan. ACF does not specify a format for the case plan nor does ACF require submission of the document to the federal government. Case plan information is recorded in a format developed and maintained by the state, territorial, or tribal title IV-E agency.

Respondents: State, territorial, and tribal title IV-E agencies.

Annual Burden Estimates

Burden estimates have been adjusted to reflect one additional title IV-E agency, a decrease in the number of average hours to complete a case plan due to technology, fewer children entering foster care and an increased number of children exiting foster care. Overall, the estimated annual burden has decreased by about 32 percent.

Instrument	Total number of respondents	Total number of responses per respondent	Average burden hours per response	Total burden hours	Annual burden hours
Case Plan Requirement	67	19,490	3.8	4,962,154	1,654,051

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 622; 42 U.S.C. 671; 42 U.S.C. 675; 42 U.S.C. 675a.

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ACF/OPRE Certifying Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality Statement of Delegation of Authority

Notice is hereby given that I have delegated to the Director, Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ), the authorities vested in the Secretary of Health and Human Services (the Secretary) to administer and implement the Department's supervisory framework governing

support for, and oversight of, the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF or Task Force).

This delegation is made pursuant to Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1966, as ratified by Congress in 1984, 42 U.S.C. 202, and other applicable authorities.

The Director, AHRQ, is delegated authority to provide day-to-day administrative oversight of AHRQ's support for the Task Force; to exercise concurrence authority, as the Secretary's designee, for routine Task Force recommendations, including review and