Impact of Title IV-E Waiver

Simplified Eligibility Process
Learning Objectives

Participants will be able to describe the use of the:

- Title IV-E Foster Care Initial Checklist,
- Medicaid Application,
- Title IV-E Adoption Subsidy Checklist

and will be able to identify resources for implementation beginning 10-1-06
Technical Assistance

- See documents at: http://eww.dcf.state.fl.us/~fsp/newpages/ivewaiver.shtml

- Have questions after reviewing the documents above, send email to: Robert@floridacoalitionforchildren.com
IV-E Waiver Overview

- A 5 year period to demonstrate that flexibility in funding will result in improved services to children and families
- An opportunity to align financing with practice requirements of ASFA
- A shift toward meeting the individualized needs of children/families vs implementing programs/services that are funded by the federal government
IV-E Waiver Senior Implementation Team

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IV-E Waiver Key Points

- Approved 3-31-06 by federal HHS Administration for Children and Families
- 1st statewide flexible funding waiver
- Power of partnership - DCF and CBC
- Funds may be used for any child welfare purpose
- Funding base - federal year 10/1/04 - 9/30/05 with 3% annual increases
- Contingency plan - Florida or ACF may opt out at any time
What Has Been Simplified?

- Title IV-E Foster Care Eligibility Determination Process
- Restrictions on uses of funding
- Reporting on funding
- Paperwork for direct service and management staff
- Medicaid Application
What Remains Similar?

- Adoption Assistance Eligibility Determination and Process
- CFOP 175-71, Title IV-E Foster Care and Adoption Subsidy, contains requirements for adoption subsidy
- Annual 12 month reviews of Medicaid
Desk Reference Review

- Overview
- Explanation of Terms
- IV-E Foster Care Eligibility Determination Simplification
- IV-E Foster Care Initial Checklist
- IV-E Adoption Subsidy
- Opt Out
- FAQ’s
Closing - What You Must Know

- Local procedures for use of IV-E Foster Care Checklist, Medicaid Application, and Adoption Subsidy Checklist
- Implement October 1, 2006
- ________________ Name and contact information for questions/technical assistance at local level