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Subject: SFY11 Allocation for Help Me Grow

The purpose of this memorandum is to communicate the SFY11 Help Me Grow (HMG) allocations. Attached you will find the SFY11 HMG allocation table along with target numbers for Part C and Home Visiting.

The essence of the SFY11 HMG allocation is that **county allocations for all counties were increased by 0.66% over SFY10**. The 0.66% represents an additional \$345,000 in Part C ARRA funds available for SFY11.

ODH and its partners decided to not make significant adjustments to county allocations from SFY10 to SFY11. This decision was based on the collective desire to provide as much stability to county Help Me Grows as possible in SFY11.

### Target Numbers & Determination of Amount of Part C and Home Visiting Funds

As was stated above each county's allocation was increased by 0.66%. Target numbers were calculated after the county allocation was determined as described below.

#### **A. Target Numbers & Determination of Amount Designated for Part C**

Increased the per child amount from \$2050 to \$2065. ODH is awaiting data from the Part C Cost Study which should inform us as to the actual cost of providing service coordination, child find and administration of HMG Part C and can be used in future allocations. ODH is aware that there have been increases in costs associated with providing HMG Part C services

(i.e., service coordination, child find, evaluation and assessment in some counties). Consequently, ODH decided to increase the per child amount for Part C to \$2065.

With the new per child amount for Part C, we then took the SFY10 target numbers and multiplied them by the \$2065 amount. This calculation resulted in determining the Part C portion of each county's allocation.

**B. Target Numbers & Determination of Amount Designated for Home Visiting**

The Part C allocation was subtracted from the county's SFY11 allocation. The amount remaining is considered the Home Visiting portion of the county allocation.

The Home Visiting target number was calculated by dividing the \$2925 per child amount into the Home Visiting portion of the county allocation. The \$2925 is based on the number of visits anticipated for each child/family and the amount per visit was determined by using data gathered from national models of home visiting on which ODH has modeled its revised Home Visiting program.

The table below attempts to provide you with the calculations for the county allocations, target numbers calculations and the Part C and Home Visiting portions of the county allocations.

Our monthly county update call is scheduled for Wednesday, May 12, 2010 at which time we will answer questions regarding you SFY11 allocation. If you have questions that cannot wait for that call, please contact you Technical Assistance consultant.

Step	Calculation	What calculation determines
Step 1	SFY10 allocation multiplied by 0.66%	Calculation for each county's SFY11 allocation
Step 2	Used the SFY10 Part C target number as target number for SFY11	Determination of Part C target number
Step 3	Multiplied SFY10 Part C target number by \$2065	Portion of county allocation designated for Part C
Step 4	Subtracted Part C portion from the SFY11 county HMG allocation	Balance remaining is designated for Home Visiting
Step 5	Home Visiting portion of SFY11 county allocation divided by \$2925 to calculate target number for Home Visiting	Determination of Home Visiting target number