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## Fiscal Year 2020–2021 Accountability Report

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### SUBMISSION FORM

I have reviewed and approved the data submitted by the agency in the following online forms:

- Reorganization and Compliance
- Strategic Plan Results
- Strategic Plan Development
- Legal
- Services
- Partnerships
- Report or Review

I have reviewed and approved the financial report summarizing the agency’s budget and actual expenditures, as entered by the agency into the South Carolina Enterprise Information System.

The information submitted is complete and accurate to the extent of my knowledge.

<b>AGENCY DIRECTOR</b> <b>(SIGN AND DATE):</b>	Signature on file.
<b>(TYPE/PRINT NAME):</b>	Michael Leach, State Director

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**Reorganization and Compliance Responses:**

These responses were submitted for the FY 2020-2021 Accountability Report by the

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**Agency Mission**

The agency's mission is to serve South Carolina by promoting the safety, permanency, and well-being of children and vulnerable adults, helping individuals achieve stability and strengthening families.

**Adopted in:** 2016

**Agency Vision**

Building on the mission and core principles, the agency's vision is that all children and families in South Carolina are healthy, safe, and stable.

**Adopted in:** 2016

**Recommendations for reorganization requiring legislative change.**

No

**Please list significant events related to the agency that occurred in FY 2020-2021.**

Month Started	Month Ended	Description of Event	Agency Measures Impacted	Other Impacts

**Does the agency intend to make any other major reorganization to divisions, departments, or programs to allow the agency to operate more effectively and efficiently in FY 2021-22?**

**Note: It is not recommended that agencies plan major reorganization projects every year. This section should remain blank unless there is a need for reorganization.**

No

**Is the agency in compliance with S.C. Code Ann. § 2-1-220, which requires submission of certain reports to the Legislative Services Agency for publication online and the State Library? See also S.C. Code Ann. § 60-2-20.**

Yes

**If not, please explain why.**

**Is the agency in compliance with various requirements to transfer its records, including electronic ones, to the Department of Archives and History? See the Public Records Act (S.C. Code Ann. § 20-1-10 through 20-1-180) and the South Carolina Uniform Electronic Transactions Act (S.C. Code Ann. § 26-6-10 through 26-10-210).**

Yes

**Does the law allow the agency to promulgate regulations?**

No

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## **AGENCY’S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS**

### **Overview**

The South Carolina Department of Social Services (DSS or Agency), one of the largest state government agencies in South Carolina, provides a vast array of critical services to a wide range of constituent groups who may find themselves in difficult and challenging situations across the state. The agency operates through an integrated service delivery model of county-level offices and regional operations that are guided by a state office which provides centralized management, support, and accountability functions. The Agency works closely with and relies on other state agencies, non-profit organizations, and other strategic partners to perform its work.

Beyond the high-profile work done in the areas of Child Welfare and Adult Protective Services, the Agency also serves as the state’s administrator of safety net programs that provide financial and employment assistance to families in need, including the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program. The Agency also provides the infrastructure for the licensure and oversight of child care providers across the state, as well as the ongoing implementation of a quality-based ratings system. The Agency also manages the statewide collection and disbursement of Child Support. Finally, Agency employees staff emergency shelters statewide during hurricanes, floods, and other disasters.

### **DSS and the COVID-19 Pandemic**

The mission to serve some of the state’s most vulnerable citizens has not stopped during the COVID-19 pandemic. In fact, the mission is more critical than ever with many citizens experiencing stress and anxiety over the increased need for safety net benefits. In many instances, state and federal waivers, emergency policy directives, and pandemic-specific funding expanded access to programs and/or streamlined eligibility requirements to reduce processing timeframes and/or documentation requirements.

Since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, Agency employees and partner organizations have worked in near-miraculous fashion to continue mission-critical operations. Employees still work tirelessly to provide services under unprecedented circumstances. Every area of the Agency continues to pivot its practices and processes. Employee and customer feedback continue to guide decisions on how best to manage key functions.

Even as the pandemic continued into SFY 2020-2021, the Agency has sustained improvements in child welfare performance metrics, including continued increases in placements with kinship caregivers and decreases in congregate care placements. Agency practice has remained focused on the timely and proper investigation of allegations of child abuse and neglect while employing COVID-19 protocols.

At the start of the stay-at-home orders in March 2020, DSS saw decreases in the reporting of potential child abuse and neglect situations compared to the previous year. Much of that decrease can be attributed to the lack of reporting that normally comes from schools and child care facilities where there is face-to-face contact with children. However, since August 2020, intakes have steadily increased, mirroring previous years.

The Adult Advocacy Division continues to investigate abuse and neglect cases affecting vulnerable adults while following COVID-19 protocols to keep frontline professionals and clients safe. The pandemic has presented barriers in securing appropriate placement in nursing homes and assisted living facilities. However, DSS continues to work with Medicaid and providers to advocate for the most appropriate placement options.

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The Adult Advocacy Division received approximately \$1.5 million through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) to implement a new assessment tool (see Adult Advocacy section below), make needed technology modifications, expand emergency transitional placements, establish a home stabilization fund to help keep vulnerable adults in their homes, and support staff retention through bonuses.

CARES Act funding also provided \$534,000 for survivors of domestic violence through the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA). These funds were dispersed to the 13 programs that receive FVPSA funding to provide supportive services, alternative shelter options, and supplies to reduce their risk of COVID-19.

In addition, the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) provided \$1.8 million for grants to help survivors of family violence become or remain independent in lieu of staying in a shelter. DSS has begun distributing the funds to the 13 programs that receive FVPSA funding. This funding will also support the Catawba Nation and the Indigenous Women’s Alliance of South Carolina to provide crisis counseling for survivors of domestic violence.

Within the Economic Services division, South Carolina has received four supplemental federal child care grants related to COVID-19, totaling nearly \$955 million. DSS has utilized this stimulus funding to provide numerous supports to child care providers throughout the pandemic and will continue to do so through 2024.

Upon initial receipt of funding through the CARES Act, the Agency implemented several assistance strategies to help essential workers and child care providers. The SC Voucher program was expanded to help essential workers pay for child care (without regard to normal income eligibility requirements) while they went to work.

DSS has issued four rounds of operating grants, totaling nearly \$120 million during SFY 2020-2021, to licensed and registered child care providers to help those who had to close or who remained open and lost revenue due to low enrollments. These grants are available to assist providers in paying their operating expenses.

In October 2020, DSS began offering child care assistance (vouchers) for working parents. To qualify, a parent must be working at least 15 hours a week or attending school or training and the family’s gross income must be at or below 300% of the federal poverty level. As of June 30, 2021, 10,844 children have been approved and placed in a slot. Approximately \$92 million has been allocated for these vouchers to date.

DSS has received over 476,000 Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) (previously known as Food Stamps) applications since the start of the pandemic. Prior to COVID-19, the agency typically received less than 250,000 per year. At this point, the volume is still about 40% higher than pre-COVID averages.

The Agency received federal approval to streamline the application process for new SNAP applicants. In addition, a federal waiver allows for an emergency supplement payment to existing SNAP households, as well as new applicants who meet eligibility requirements. This temporary benefit brought all current SNAP households up to the maximum benefit amount beginning in March 2020. For example, a single eligible individual would typically receive a \$16 monthly benefit. With the emergency supplement, that amount increased to \$234. As of April 2021, all SNAP households were receiving at least \$95 in emergency supplements each month.

Due to the federal emergency supplements, the amount of SNAP benefits going to families and supporting the state’s economy is nearly double what it was prior to the pandemic. As of June 2021, DSS is issuing an average of \$69.9 million in additional federal SNAP benefits each month, as compared to pre-COVID levels.

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DSS, in collaboration with the SC Department of Education, launched a second round of federal Pandemic Electronic Benefit Transfer (P-EBT) benefits for students attending school virtually during the 2020-2021 school year. Nearly \$256 million in benefits have been issued to over 483,000 students who would have received meals at school under the free and reduced-price meal provisions of the National School Lunch Program. This initiative puts more SNAP benefits into the hands of families and the state’s economy.

The Child Support Services Division (CSSD) implemented virtual customer service kiosks in all its office locations to provide contact-free appointments. Monitors and keyboards allow real-time communication while assuring personal safety. A new technology system and a new centralized mail processing facility (see CSSD highlights below) allowed most CSSD staff to work remotely. In addition, many child support administrative conferences were conducted via a virtual hearing format that is now available in all counties.

In summary, while the pandemic has continued to disrupt business as usual and amplified the resource needs of the Agency, staff at every level have worked tirelessly to continue moving the work of the Agency forward. The Agency is grateful for the dedication, passion, and enthusiasm that employees have demonstrated daily to serve others. Thanks to the focus on the Agency’s core principles of competence, courage, and compassion, DSS continues to strive for excellence in providing services that impact one of every six South Carolinians.

**Division Highlights**

**Adult Advocacy Division**

The Adult Advocacy Division consists of the Adult Protective Services (APS) and Domestic Violence programs. APS is mandated to investigate non-criminal reports of caregiver abuse, neglect, and exploitation of vulnerable adults. If the results of an investigation meet the criteria outlined in SC law and APS policy, temporary protective services are provided to adults (18 years or older) who have been determined to be vulnerable and have a physical or mental condition which prevents them from providing for their own care or protection.

The Domestic Violence program funds, monitors, and assists domestic violence programs statewide, as mandated by state law. Crisis intervention and prevention services support victims of family violence and their children through a network of community based/non-profit service providers. This program also manages the federal Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) grant that supports emergency shelters and related activities. This program also manages the state’s Domestic Violence Fund, which awards grants to domestic violence centers and programs statewide.

Together, these programs funded, organized, and hosted the state’s first annual World Elder Abuse Awareness Walk (WEAAD) on June 15, 2021 with approximately 200 participants. Speakers included Connie Munn from the SC Department on Aging, Kelly Cordell, DSS Director of Adult Advocacy, and Michael Leach, DSS Agency Director.

*Adult Protective Services*

South Carolina was one of four states selected for a pilot project with the US Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Community Living (ACL). The project aligns policy and practice to the National Voluntary Consensus Guidelines for APS Programs. The project was completed at the end of 2020 and resulted in a newly developed Code of Ethics for APS staff and a Structured Decision-Making tool.

APS contracts with an Upstate assisted living facility for six temporary emergency stabilization beds. These beds decrease the need for costly sitters, stabilize the adult, and allow staff to better serve them through in-home assistance or placement in a permanent facility. In SFY 2020-2021, DSS released a Request for Information, which provided feedback from community partners on how to best expand these services throughout the state.

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South Carolina is the only state to utilize the Family Group Conference (FGC) model for APS cases. Funded by a Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) grant since October 2016, the FGC model allows DSS, family, fictive kin (individuals not related by birth, adoption, or marriage to a person, but who have an emotionally significant relationship with the person), state stakeholders, and community supports/resources to create partnerships for the safety, well-being, and self-determination of vulnerable adults. During SFY 2020-2021, 43 FGCs were completed.

APS is working with a team at the University of Kentucky and the creators of the nationally recognized Adult Needs and Strength Assessment (ANSA) tool to customize a tool that will allow case managers to identify needs and strengths of vulnerable adults, set benchmarks for measuring well-being, and assist with outlining an individualized service plan. This tool will also provide performance metrics that were not previously captured.

APS continues to refine its infrastructure to improve program outcomes. Two new positions were created to provide policy and practice direction through data collection, policy and training review, and trend analysis. A third position was created to write policy and curriculum for APS training and professional development.

APS staff began conducting specialty case reviews with the SC Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to identify opportunities for Medicaid reimbursement for eligible services. These weekly reviews have resulted in the reimbursement of more than \$600,000 for SFY 2020-2021. APS also continues to hold weekly reviews with two of the state’s largest hospitals to improve outcomes for vulnerable adults in their care.

Working in conjunction with the Agency’s Division of Technology Services, APS developed an online public portal for reporting allegations of abuse, neglect, or exploitation of a vulnerable adult. From its implementation in November 2020 through June 2021, 1,568 reports were received. In addition, APS worked with the Agency’s Office of Constituent Services to refresh the APS section of the DSS public website with updated information.

The DSS Office of Contracts and Procurement assisted APS with the development of the state’s first lodging P-Card program. This process allows case managers to use a funding source other than their personal finances to cover hotel charges when placements are necessary after hours or on weekends.

*Domestic Violence Program*

Content on domestic violence continues to be integrated into all related APS curriculum offerings, including APS Certification. In partnership with the South Carolina Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault, staff receive annual training on domestic violence, to include new and emerging topics such as the intersections of domestic violence, mental health, and substance abuse.

The Agency continues its partnership with the Safe & Together Institute to provide online domestic violence training to over 1,000 child welfare staff in SFY 2020-2021. The training helps staff identify and understand the dynamics of domestic violence to better serve families by keeping children safe. Topics include best practices for responding to cases, working with and partnering with victims, and holding perpetrators accountable.

In addition to these initiatives, the Agency continues to provide additional funding to support the domestic violence liaison program in each DSS county office. This program pairs an advocate from one of the 13 domestic violence programs DSS supports with county DSS offices to better serve shared clients. Ultimately, this program helps foster positive relationships with DSS county staff and the local domestic violence program staff.

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**Child Support Services Division**

The Child Support Services Division (CSSD) establishes and enforces orders for child support, establishes paternity for children when paternity is an issue, locates absent parents when whereabouts are unknown, and manages the collection and distribution of child support payments. CSSD also provides enhanced fatherhood initiatives to improve the capability of both custodial and noncustodial parents to provide their children with the financial, physical, and emotional support they deserve and need to be safe and to thrive.

CSSD has continued executing its post-implementation plan secondary to the rollout of the new Palmetto Automated Child Support System (PACSS) in late 2019. As of June 30, 2021, the State Disbursement Unit (SDU) that collects and disburses child and spousal support payments exceeded \$1 billion in collections. The SDU has met or exceeded all expectations, to include achieving an error rate of only .034% over the past year. In March 2021, the new online secure Client Services portal went live via the Agency’s website. The portal provides payment histories, hearing dates, and other key data from PACSS. The portal also affords payers and custodial parties the capability to view and update their own information without having to contact Agency staff.

Even with minor delays caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, the establishment of a centralized statewide mail facility was completed, to include the installation of a high-capacity letter opener and scanner with bar coding software. The new facility has eliminated the need for multiple post office boxes as all incoming mail from across the state is opened, scanned, and distributed according to document type. Incoming mail is now available for electronic viewing either the same day or the next business day.

The PACSS implementation has also allowed CSSD to work more closely with other DSS program areas to improve outcomes across programs. Dedicated efforts with the Child Welfare Division identified gaps in interface information between two technology systems that were largely responsible for money being held on some child support cases where child welfare services were being provided. The resolution of those gaps resulted in a higher match rate between the two technology systems while also reducing held collections.

As part of an extensive document review to assess readability and accuracy of the hundreds of different documents that CSSD generates, CSSD also remedied an absence of domestic violence questions on the Custodial Parent Application. Working with the Adult Advocacy Division, questions were developed that would help disclose a higher potential for domestic violence in a child support case. Consequently, there has been an increase in the number of Family Violence Indicators (FVI) identified on incoming cases.

**Child Welfare Services**

Programs and activities in the Child Welfare Services division (CWS) are targeted to improve safety, permanency, and well-being outcomes for affected children and families across the state. CWS operations include Intake services, Investigative services, Family Preservation services, Foster Care services, Foster Home Licensing services, and Adoption services.

These operations are tied to the administration of federal Title IV-B and IV-E funded programs and their related child welfare plans and services, as overseen by the US Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families’ Children’s Bureau (Children’s Bureau). These programs are operated in accordance with federal and state requirements, as well as the 2020-2024 state Child and Family Services Plan (CFSP), a five-year strategic plan that includes goals, objectives, strategies, and planned services.

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Each year, the Agency is required to file an Annual Progress and Services Report (APSR) with the Children’s Bureau. In submitting its APSR for 2020-2021, DSS engaged internal and external partners to discuss progress and challenges in meeting plan objectives, as well as identify necessary adjustments to the CFSP.

The Agency has completed the third round of the federal Child and Family Services Review (CFSR) process. The CFSR process measures compliance with safety, permanency, and well-being outcomes for children and families under the care of DSS. The two components of this statewide review are quality assurance (QA) case reviews and an assessment of systemic factors. The systemic factors include: statewide information system; case review system; quality assurance (QA) system; staff and provider training; ongoing staff training; foster and adoptive training; service array and resource development; Agency responsiveness to the community; foster home licensing; adoptive parent licensing; and recruitment and retention.

To address areas needing improvement in the final CFSR report, the Agency, in collaboration with the Children’s Bureau developed a Program Improvement Plan (PIP) that was approved in 2019. The PIP outlines goals, strategies, and action steps pertaining to: quality assessments; quality worker contacts and visits; achieving timely permanency; strengthening the foster care system through adopting a “kin first” culture; supervision; case planning; training; service array; engagement through child and family team meetings; and continuous quality improvement. PIP implementation continues in ten counties: Aiken; Berkeley; Chesterfield; Fairfield; Greenville; Horry; Jasper; Newberry; Pickens; and York. As confirmed by the Children’s Bureau, all activities with deliverables during SFY 2020-2021 have been completed or renegotiated to a new due date.

Beginning in February 2021, DSS launched a coordinated campaign called Better Together: Enhancing Practice, Transforming Lives to advance a well-being system that partners with children, youth, and families to prevent further harm to communities of color. This campaign highlights the Agency’s efforts to transform the state’s child welfare system within three strategic domains: cross-cutting strategies; strategies to preserve families; and strategies to achieve permanency.

DSS implemented child fatality response policies in August 2020, which provide guidance on the Agency’s response to child fatalities in the areas of screening and investigations. These policies have already increased Agency engagement in multi-disciplinary responses. In 2021, DSS began using child fatality case reviews to identify operating gaps, the results of which support evaluation and improvement processes that will lead to improved outcomes in the future. Near-fatality response and review protocols are now under development.

The Agency is launching two new assessment tools. The Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths (CANS) tool and the Family Advocacy and Support (FAST) tool will provide support for frontline staff to guide the assessment of safety and risk, strengths, needs, and the identification of appropriate services. During the startup phase, 76% of supervisors and 39% of case managers were trained on CANS and FAST in the PIP counties. Statewide training and a phased rollout implementation are planned for July-October 2021.

As of January 2021, Child and Family Team Meetings (CFTM) are now held statewide in foster care and family preservation cases. The CFTM process engages family, youth, and other supports in planning and decision making throughout the life of a case and at critical decision-making points. Thus far, 952 CFTMs have been held.

DSS began an 18-month process to deploy its Guiding Principles & Standards (GPS) Practice Model in Spring 2020. DSS has developed a statewide training plan and all members of the workforce will be trained in the GPS framework and utilization of the practice profiles by October 2021. Several of the existing workgroups will be sustained to ensure training is completed, fidelity can be measured, data reports can be shared, ongoing practice improvements can be targeted to identified needs, and regular progress reports can be communicated.



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*Michelle H. Settlement Agreement*

In 2016, the US District Court approved a settlement agreement (“Settlement Agreement” or “Agreement”) to resolve a class action lawsuit (commonly known as the “Michelle H.” lawsuit) filed against the State of South Carolina in 2015 on behalf of children in foster care. Entering into the Agreement avoided prolonged litigation and allowed DSS to focus on improving the quality of foster care for children in the state.

The Agreement includes an expansive range of provisions mapped out within five implementations plans. The provisions within these plans consider case manager caseloads, foster child visits with their case managers and family members, investigations of allegations of abuse and neglect of children in foster care, appropriate and timely foster care placements, and access to physical and mental health care for children in DSS custody.

The settlement appoints two national child welfare experts as independent co-monitors. They file periodic public progress reports with the US District Court. The last report was filed in April 2021.

During this fiscal year, DSS made progress toward the final targets for several Settlement Agreement measures. DSS increased caseload compliance for Adoptions case managers, as well as Foster Care and Adoptions supervisors. For the seven Out of Home Abuse and Neglect (OHAN) measures, DSS made significant progress in core witness contact, timely initial contact, and case decisions. DSS is now meeting the target for OHAN intakes and has consistently met or exceeded the targets for timely completion of OHAN investigations. For Placement and Visitation, DSS increased the number of children placed with at least one sibling and increased the percentage of children who had monthly visits with siblings from whom they were separated. DSS also increased the number of children placed outside of congregate care in group homes and is approaching the targets for these measures. Finally, DSS is currently exceeding the target for case manager-child contacts that occur in the residence of the child. For Health Care, DSS increased the number of children up to date on their well-child and dental visits and is continuing to refine processes for documenting follow-up medical care.

DSS has also made significant progress in the completion of activities outlined in the five court-approved implementation plans, to include: full completion of the plan related to investigations of abuse and neglect of children in foster care; 82% completion of the implementation plan related to appropriate and timely foster care placements; 77% completion of the plan related to case manager caseloads; 68% completion of the implementation plan related to foster child visits with their case managers and family members; and 65% completion of the plan related to access to physical and mental health care for children in DSS custody.

**Economic Services**

The Economic Services division (ES) seeks to effectively and efficiently serve the citizens of South Carolina by helping individuals and families achieve stability through financial and other temporary benefits while transitioning into employment. This encompasses multiple programs and divisions, including the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program, the Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program (SNAP) program, the Division of Employment Services, and the Division of Early Care and Education.

*Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)*

In November 2020, TANF case management activities and supervision of the staff who perform these functions were moved from the county offices to the Division of Employment Services. Consolidating Employment & Training programs under a single unit will improve accountability and consistency, as well as strengthen the ties between policy and service delivery. TANF case managers are co-located in the SC Works centers statewide to serve participants and to fulfill the TANF obligation to the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA).

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*Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA)*

DSS continues to expand partnerships while creating new relationships to provide more services to jobseekers and employers. DSS participated in the 2020 development of an interagency Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Combined State Plan, to incorporate SNAP Employment and Training (SNAP E&T) and TANF. Workforce consultants and SNAP E&T coordinators are co-located in SC Works centers statewide and continue to use the SC Works Online Services (SCWOS) website, the state’s largest workforce development database and labor market repository, to assist jobseekers with real-time employment opportunities.

*SNAP Employment and Training Program (SNAP E&T)*

South Carolina continues to be a national leader in expanding the SNAP E&T third-party reimbursement program with community-based organizations, technical colleges, state agencies, and for-profit entities. The program assists able-bodied adults without dependents (“ABAWDs”) by providing educational, training, and volunteer opportunities that allow them to remain SNAP-eligible while pursuing self-sufficiency. SNAP E&T continues to utilize the internally developed South Carolina Comprehensive Employment and Training System (SCCETS) to transform and modernize business and administrative operations.

*Preschool Development Grant Birth through Five Initiative*

South Carolina completed the first year of the \$11.1 million three-year Preschool Development Grant Birth through Five awarded by the US Department of Health and Human Services and the US Department of Education. DSS partnered with other state agencies and non-profit organizations to coordinate activities, including a statewide needs assessment. DSS was awarded \$11.1 million for the second year of the grant.

*Background Check Requirements for Child Care Providers*

As a result of new federal and state requirements, new and existing child care providers are now subject to a comprehensive criminal background check every five years that includes both in-state and national fingerprint-based criminal history, child abuse and neglect registry, and sex offender registry checks. The same checks will be conducted in any state a provider resided in within the last five years. DSS has been granted a one-year COVID-19 extension to complete updated background checks on all existing providers by September 30, 2021.

*ABC Quality (ABCQ) – Quality Rating Improvement System (QRIS) Revisions*

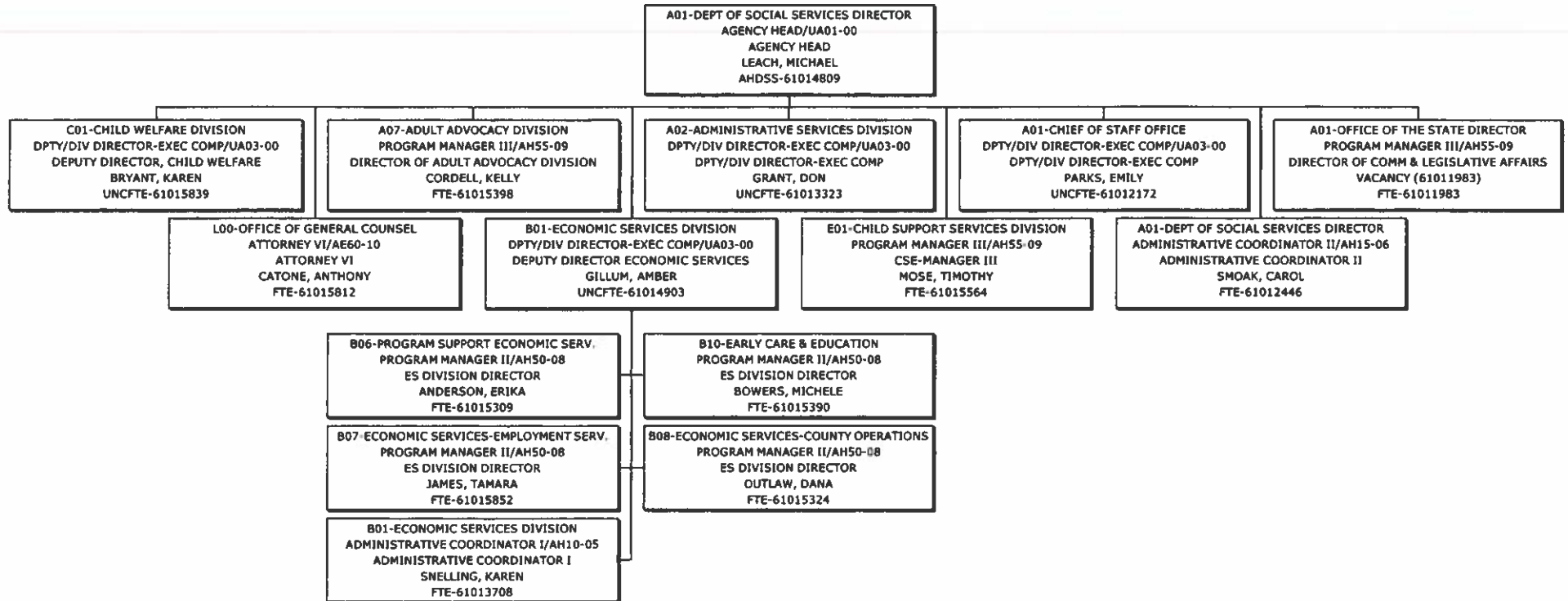
ABCQ, the state’s voluntary quality rating improvement system (QRIS) for child care facilities is a broad five-tier quality structure designed to assist providers in enhancing their program beyond basic licensing standards and to help parents choose quality care. The ABC quality rating determines the ABC quality level, which in turn determines the tiered payment rate for providers from the SC Voucher reimbursement system.

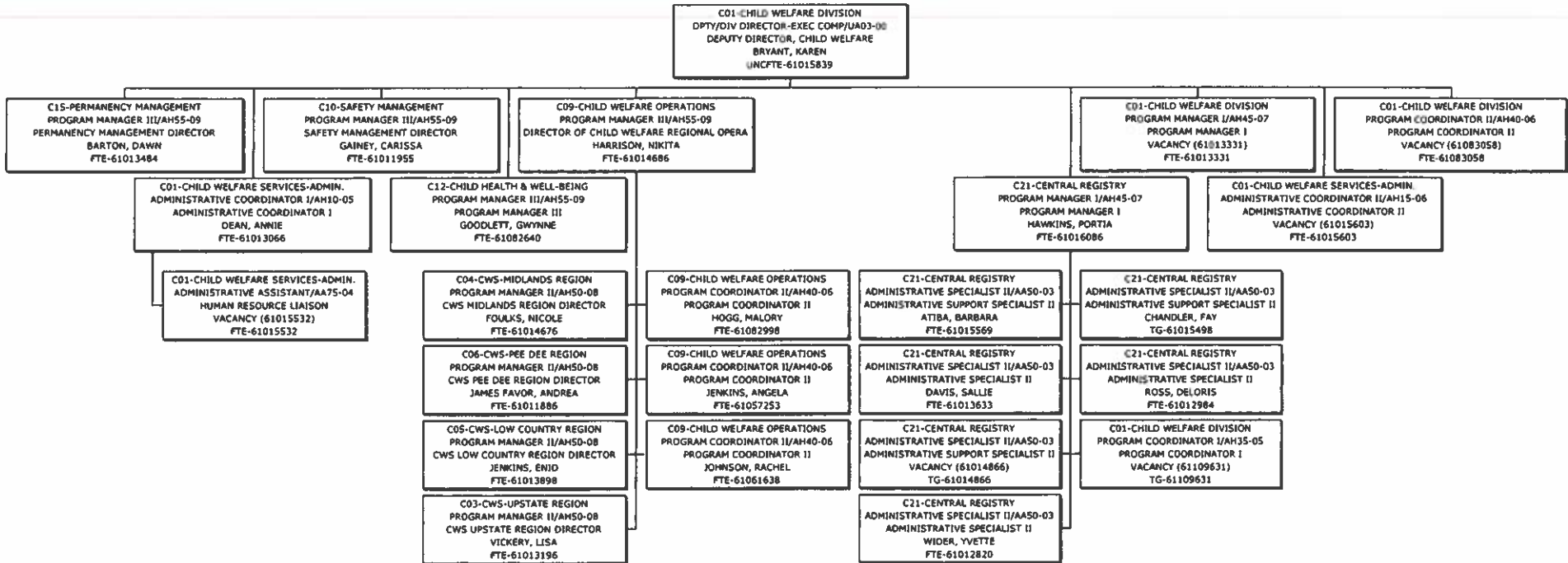
During 2019-2020, ABC Quality began implementing a revised and consolidated strengths-based assessment tool. The evaluation reviews mandatory requirements, policies and procedures, and classroom standards. All new classroom standards will be completed by October 1, 2021.

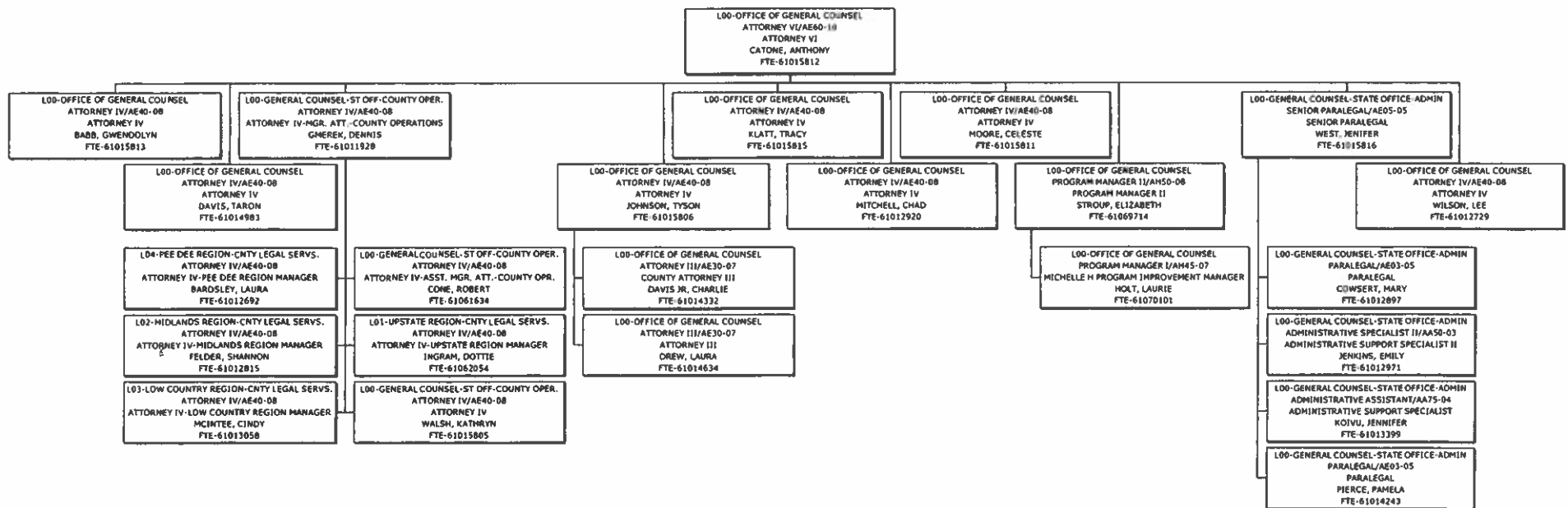
ABC Quality completed a pilot of a Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) process known as “Building for Our Future.” Providers partnered with Child Care Resource & Referral (CCR&R) and SC Endeavors to get teachers enrolled in the SC Endeavors’ Workforce Registry system. This process offered providers an incentive when they met incremental goals toward improving their ABC quality rating, and subsequently, their ABC quality level.

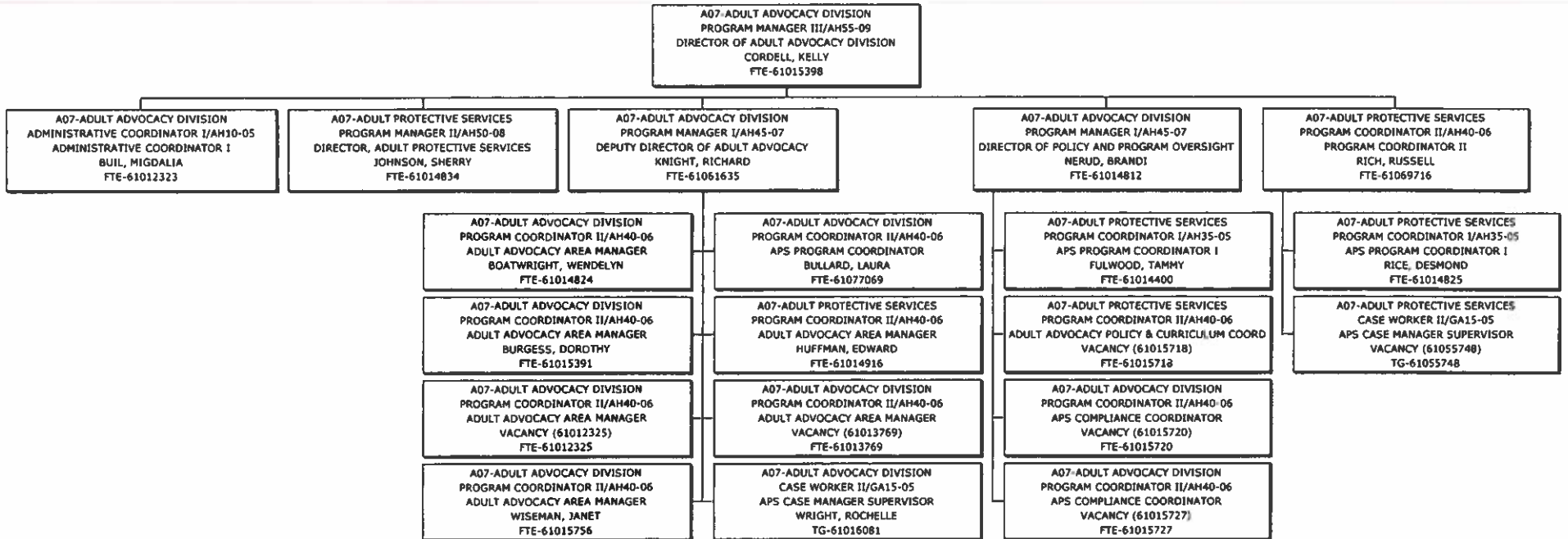
*Early Care and Education Infrastructure Improvements*

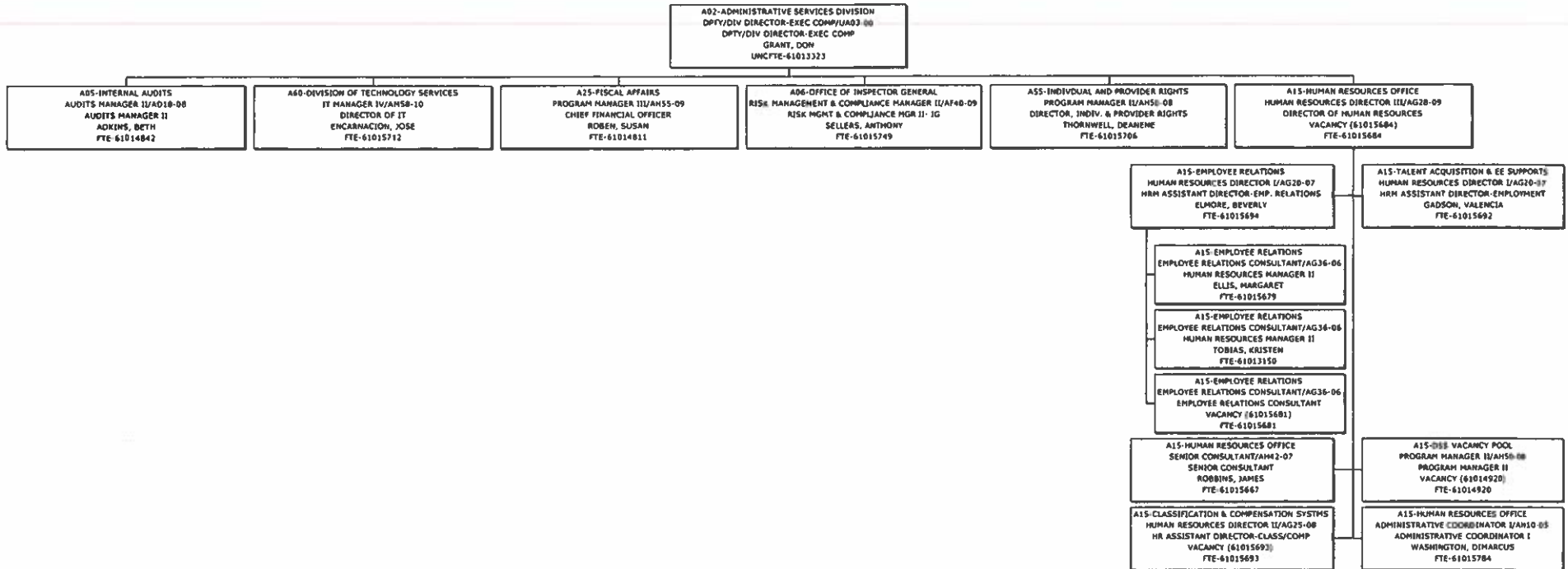
DSS continues to work toward an integrated data system for the Division of Early Care and Education which includes SC Endeavors, ABC Quality, Child Care Licensing, SC Voucher, and the Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP). Data integration will reduce duplicate data entries and increase overall data quality.







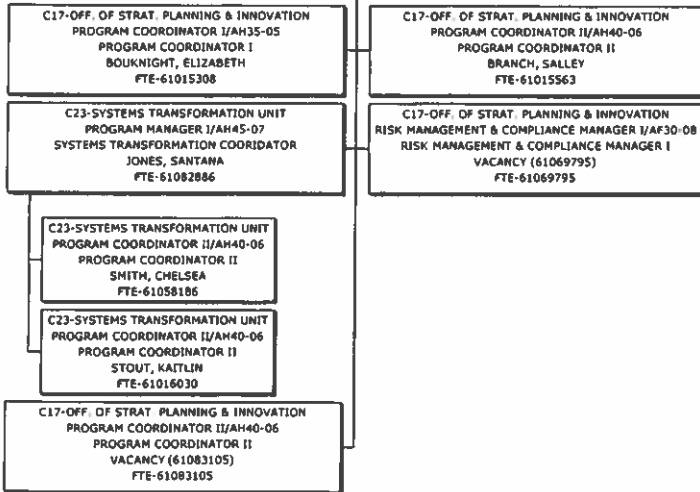
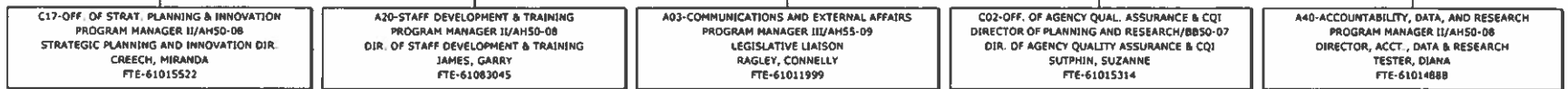








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**Goal** Child and Adult Safety, Permanency, & Well Being - - Promote the safety and well-being of children and vulnerable adults; promote permanency for children.

**Strategy** 1.1

**Statewide Enterprise Objective**

Improve the quality of abuse and neglect report intake decisions.

Healthy and Safe Families

Measure Number	Description	Base	Target	Actual	Value Type	Desired Outcome	Time Applicable	Calculation Method	Data Source	Data Location	Primary Stakeholder	Stakeholder Need Satisfied	State Funded Program Number Responsible	Notes
1.1.1.	Increase the number of child protective service (CPS) investigations initiated timely	87%	90%	86%	Percent	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	The number of CPS investigations initiated timely divided by the total number of CPS investigations. The Target value represents continuing improvement toward the 95% federal standard. The agency is working toward a long-term 100% state standard.	CAPSS data system	CAPSS data system/Accountability, Data, and Research	Direct customers of agency services - affected children and families	Direct benefit to agency customers - faster turnaround time when initiating an investigation of possible child abuse or neglect	2000.050501.000; 0500.020000.000	A number of improvement strategies are being implemented to increase the timeliness and quality of initiations. See the Child Welfare Services section of the Discussion document for more information.
1.1.2.	Increase the number of child protective service (CPS) investigations completed timely	95%	96%	96%	Percent	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	The number of CPS investigations completed timely divided by the total number of CPS investigations. The Target value is the federal standard. The agency is working toward a long-term 100% state standard.	CAPSS data system	CAPSS data system/Accountability, Data, and Research	Direct customers of agency services - affected children and families	Direct benefit to agency customers - faster turnaround time when completing an investigation of possible child abuse or neglect	2000.050501.000; 0500.020000.000	
1.1.3.	Increase the number of adult protective service (APS) investigations initiated timely	78%	80%	85%	Percent	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	The number of APS investigations initiated timely divided by the total number of investigations. As there is currently no federal standard, the Target value represents continuing improvement toward the agency's long-term 100% state standard.	CAPSS data system	CAPSS data system/Accountability, Data, and Research	Direct customers of agency services - affected vulnerable adults	Direct benefit to agency customers - faster turnaround time when initiating an investigation of possible abuse or neglect of a vulnerable adult	2001.200500.000; 0500.020000.000	
1.1.4.	Increase the number of adult protective service (APS) investigations completed timely	83%	85%	91%	Percent	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	The number of APS investigations completed within 45 days divided by the total number of investigations. As there is currently no federal standard, the Target value represents continuing improvement toward the agency's long-term 100% state standard.	CAPSS data system	CAPSS data system/Accountability, Data, and Research	Direct customers of agency services - affected vulnerable adults	Direct benefit to agency customers - faster turnaround time when completing an investigation of possible abuse or neglect of a vulnerable adult	2001.200500.000; 0500.020000.000	

Goal Child and Adult Safety, Permanency, & Well Being - Promote the safety and well-being of children and vulnerable adults; promote permanency for children.														
Strategy 1.2										Statewide Enterprise Objective				
Improve the quality of case management services										Healthy and Safe Families				
Measure Number	Description	Base	Target	Actual	Value Type	Desired Outcome	Time Applicable	Calculation Method	Data Source	Data Location	Primary Stakeholder	Stakeholder Need Satisfied	State Funded Program Number Responsible	Notes
1.2.1.	Federal child welfare Permanency Outcome 1, Item 4 - - The child is in a stable placement. Any changes in placement that occur are in the best interest of the child and consistent with achieving the child's permanency goals.	62%	81%	71%	Percent	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	The target is based on a federal objective measure.	Quality assurance (QA) reviews using the US Department of Health and Human Services Child and Family Services Review (CFSR) Instrument	Internal records/QA and CQI	Agency employees and (ultimately) direct customers of agency services - affected children and families	Indirect benefit to agency customers - identify opportunities to improve the quality of employee knowledge, case management skills, and performance through specific changes in policy, processes, training, and support	2000.050501.000	A number of improvement strategies are being implemented to increase the timeliness and quality of permanency outcomes. See the Child Welfare Services section of the Discussion document for more information.
1.2.2	Percent of activities that were completed timely during this fiscal year as part of the federal Program Improvement Plan (PIP) intended to improve case management policy and practice in the agency's child welfare services division.	95%	95%	100%	Percent	equal to or greater than	Other	n/a	PIP Implementation Progress Reports submitted to US Department of Health and Human Services, Children's Bureau	Internal records/Performance Management	Agency employees and (ultimately) direct customers of agency services - affected children and families	Indirect benefit to agency customers - improve the quality of employee knowledge, case management skills, and performance through specific changes in policy, processes, training, and support	2000.050501.000	

Goal Family Strengthening & Stability - - Help preserve the family unit by enhancing the capacity of individuals and families to provide for their own needs.														
Strategy 2.1										Statewide Enterprise Objective				
Promote adult employment and self-sufficiency.										Healthy and Safe Families				
Measure Number	Description	Base	Target	Actual	Value Type	Desired Outcome	Time Applicable	Calculation Method	Data Source	Data Location	Primary Stakeholder	Stakeholder Need Satisfied	State Funded Program Number	Notes
2.1.1	Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) benefit applications processed timely.	100%	100%	100%	Percent	equal to or less than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	The number of days between application received date and case disposition. There is no federal standard. The Target value represents what most states use as a goal. The number is based on the 12-month average (state fiscal year) of the average number of days per decision on applications field listed on the MR161 Timeliness Measurement of Transactions listed from July 1- June 30.	CHIP Report MR161	CHIP data system/Performance Management	Direct customers of agency services - affected children and families	Direct benefit to agency customers - faster turnaround time when processing an application for TANF benefits	2000.250501.000; 0500.020000.000	Since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, there has been a significant increase in the number of new applications.
2.1.2	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefit applications processed timely.	84%	90%	85%	Percent	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	The percentage of SNAP applications approved within 30 days or less. The Target value is the federal standard. The number is based on the 12-month average (state fiscal year) of the state's total percentage of timely application approvals. This average includes both expedited and regular SNAP timeliness.	CHIP Report MR271	CHIP data system/Economic Services	Direct customers of agency services - affected children and families	Direct benefit to agency customers - faster turnaround time when processing an application for SNAP benefits	2000.350501.000; 0500.020000.000	Since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, there has been a 40% increase in the number of new applications being submitted. Agency staff continue to utilize all available resources to minimize processing time, including federal COVID-related waivers and exemptions. See the DSS and the COVID-19 Pandemic section of the Discussion document for more information.

Goal Family Strengthening & Stability -- Help preserve the family unit by enhancing the capacity of individuals and families to provide for their own needs.														
Strategy 2.2										Statewide Enterprise Objective				
Ensure children receive safe and quality child care.										Healthy and Safe Families				
Measure Number	Description	Base	Target	Actual	Value Type	Desired Outcome	Time Applicable	Calculation Method	Data Source	Data Location	Primary Stakeholder	Stakeholder Need Satisfied	State Funded Program Number Responsible	Notes
2.2.1	Increase the number of children served with SC child care vouchers	27731	21090	31274	Count	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	The number of vouchers provided for children for any duration ranging from 1 week to 52 weeks. There are no federal or state standards due to the uncertainty in market availability of providers who are willing and able to accept the vouchers.	SC Voucher System	SC Voucher System/Economic Services	Direct customers of agency services - affected children and families	Direct benefit to agency customers - reduces or eliminates financial burden of families having to pay for child care	2000.700000.000; 0500.020000.000	Since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, there has been a significant increase in the number of children served with child care vouchers, partially because of special provisions for 'essential workers.' See the DSS and the COVID-19 Pandemic section of the Discussion document for more information.
2.2.2	Maintain the number of annual child care licensing visits.	75%	90%	22%	Percent	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	The percentage of licensed child care facilities that received at least 1 supervisory visit. There are no federal or state standards. The Target value is tied to state law for 1 unannounced visit per year to all regulated facilities.	Supervisor data reports gathered from licensing specialists	Internal records/Economic Services	Direct customers of agency services - affected children and families	Direct benefit to agency customers - provides an accountability process to ensure that licensed child care providers are operating properly	2000.700000.000	Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, the agency consistently maintained a 100% visitation rate, as required by state law. However, no visits could be conducted from July 2020 through April 2021. Licensing visits were resumed in May 2021 with the expectation of reestablishing a normal visitation schedule.

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Goal Family Strengthening & Stability -- Help preserve the family unit by enhancing the capacity of individuals and families to provide for their own needs.														
Strategy 2.3										Statewide Enterprise Objective				
Complete transformation of the state's child support payment system.										Healthy and Safe Families				
Measure Number	Description	Base	Target	Actual	Value Type	Desired Outcome	Time Applicable	Calculation Method	Data Source	Data Location	Primary Stakeholder	Stakeholder Need Satisfied	State Funded Program Number	Notes
2.3.1	Complete creation of the new customer service portal to allow registered users 24-7 access the Palmetto Automated Child Support System (PACSS) to view and manage their case information	0%	100%	100%	Percent Complete	Complete	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Percent complete as determined by the agency.	Internal records	Internal records/Child Support Services	Direct customers of agency services - affected children and families	Direct benefit to agency customers - easier access and faster turnaround time when making inquiries about child support benefits	2001.300000.000; 0500.020000.000	
2.3.2	Complete the successful clean-up of all conversion-related Employer Services Unit (ESU) data within the Palmetto Automated Child Support System (PACSS)	0%	100%	100%	Percent Complete	Complete	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Percent complete as determined by the agency.	Internal records	Internal records/Child Support Services	Agency employees and (ultimately) direct customers of agency services - affected children and families	Indirect benefit to agency customers - improve the quality of data used in the management of child support cases	2001.300000.000; 0500.020000.000	
2.3.3	Create a centralized mail and scan room to open, sort, and scan all mail to child support staff	0%	100%	100%	Percent Complete	Complete	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Percent complete as determined by the agency.	Internal records	Internal records/Child Support Services	Agency employees and (ultimately) direct customers of agency services - affected children and families	Indirect benefit to agency customers - improve business processes used in the management of child support cases	2001.300000.000; 0500.020000.000	

Goal Organizational Health - - Ensure DSS workforce is supported in their efforts to provide high-quality service that is responsive and engaged.														
Strategy 3.1										Statewide Enterprise Objective				
Produce an updated and comprehensive agency-wide strategic plan.										Government and Citizens				
Measure Number	Description	Base	Target	Actual	Value Type	Desired Outcome	Time Applicable	Calculation Method	Data Source	Data Location	Primary Stakeholder	Stakeholder Need Satisfied	State Funded Budget Program Number Responsible	Notes
3.1.1	Assess feasibility of resuming work on agency strategic plan that was interrupted by the COVID-19 pandemic.	0%	100%		Percent Complete	Complete	Other	Percent complete as determined by the agency.	Crosswalk of all relevant data	Internal records/Chief of Staff	Agency employees and (ultimately) direct customers of agency services - affected children, adults, and families	Indirect benefit to agency customers - improve overall agency operations by aligning and coordinating multiple agency programs and initiatives	0507.010000.000; 0500.020000.000	Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, the project has been paused since March 2020 when many key participants were charged with additional COVID-related job duties. As those circumstances have continued throughout SFY 2020-2021, the situation will be reassessed during SFY 2021-2022.

Goal Organizational Health - - Ensure DSS workforce is supported in their efforts to provide high-quality service that is responsive and engaged.														
Strategy 3.2										Statewide Enterprise Objective				
Establish an agency-wide continuous quality improvement (CQI) process.										Government and Citizens				
Measure Number	Description	Base	Target	Actual	Value Type	Desired Outcome	Time Applicable	Calculation Method	Data Source	Data Location	Primary Stakeholder	Stakeholder Need Satisfied	State Funded Budget Program Number Responsible	Notes
3.2.1	Percent of targeted employees who received Phase 2 intermediate continuous quality improvement (CQI) training.	0%	90%	81%	Percent	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Number of applicable course completions, as calculated by the SCEIS Learning Management System (LMS) module.	SCEIS via data entry of attendee roster after completion of each course	SCEIS/Staff Training and Development	Agency employees and (ultimately) direct customers of agency services - affected children, adults, and families	Indirect benefit to agency customers - ensures that managerial and supervisory employees have received training to support participation on CQI project teams; improve the efficiency and effectiveness of agency outcomes through continuous evaluation of performance data and the identification of specific changes in policy, processes, training, and support	0507.010000.000; 0500.020000.000	This face-to-face training course could not be delivered during 2020 because of the COVID-10 pandemic. In 2021, the course was converted to an online live interactive format. However, some of the targeted employees could not complete the course because of additional COVID-related job duties. When face-to-face training resumes, the course will be integrated into the regular training calendar of recurring offerings.
3.2.2	Percent of targeted employees who received Phase 3 advanced continuous quality improvement (CQI) training.	0%	90%	0%	Percent	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Number of applicable course completions, as calculated by the SCEIS Learning Management System (LMS) module.	SCEIS via data entry of attendee roster after completion of each course	SCEIS/Staff Training and Development	Agency employees and (ultimately) direct customers of agency services - affected children, adults, and families	Indirect benefit to agency customers - improve the efficiency and effectiveness of agency outcomes through continuous evaluation of performance data and the identification of specific changes in policy, processes, training, and support	0507.010000.000; 0500.020000.000	This face-to-face training course could not be delivered during 2020 because of the COVID-19 pandemic, which also prevented the delivery of the prerequisite Phase II training course referenced in 3.2.2 above. The course has been converted to an online live interactive format with classes scheduled for August-September 2021. When face-to-face training resumes, the course will be integrated into the regular training calendar of recurring offerings.
3.2.3	Percent of planned county, regional, and statewide continuous quality improvement (CQI) project teams that were formed.	0%	90%	0%	Percent	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Number of applicable team charters, as identified and approved by agency leadership	Team charters submitted to agency leadership	Internal records/QA and CQI	Agency employees and (ultimately) direct customers of agency services - affected children, adults, and families	Indirect benefit to agency customers - improve the efficiency and effectiveness of agency outcomes through continuous evaluation of performance data and the identification of specific changes in policy, processes, training, and support	0507.010000.000	This initiative is tied to the completion of prerequisite training courses referenced in 3.2.2 and 3.2.3 above. This activity could not be initiated because the COVID-19 pandemic prevented the delivery of these prerequisite courses. This initiative is now scheduled for SFY 2021-2022 as part of an agency-wide assessment of all program compliance and monitoring processes to identify and prioritize quality improvement opportunities.



Goal Organizational Health - - Ensure DSS workforce is supported in their efforts to provide high-quality service that is responsive and engaged.														
Strategy 3.3										Statewide Enterprise Objective				
Improve the knowledge base and expertise of agency employees.										Government and Citizens				
Measure Number	Description	Base	Target	Actual	Value Type	Desired Outcome	Time Applicable	Calculation Method	Data Source	Data Location	Primary Stakeholder	Stakeholder Need Satisfied	State Funded Budget Program Number Responsible	Notes
3.3.1	Increase the number of courses offered by internal training staff	125	135	196	Count	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Number of course offerings posted in the SCEIS Learning Management System (LMS) module.	SCEIS training catalog	SCEIS/Staff Training and Development	Agency employees and (ultimately) direct customers of agency services - affected children, adults, and families	Indirect benefit to agency customers - improve the quality of employee knowledge, skills, and performance through the provision of a wide variety of training and professional development offerings	0507.010000.000; 0500.020000.000	The increase in the number of training courses is a result of the agency assuming greater responsibility for developing new courses internally versus using outside training providers.
3.3.2	Increase the number of employee course completions taught by internal training staff.	32171	35500	23440	Count	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Number of course completers, as calculated by the SCEIS Learning Management System (LMS) module.	SCEIS via data entry of attendee roster after completion of each course	SCEIS/Staff Training and Development	Agency employees and (ultimately) direct customers of agency services - affected children, adults, and families	Indirect benefit to agency customers - improve the quality of employee knowledge, skills, and performance through the completion of training and professional development offerings	0507.010000.000; 0500.020000.000	The number of course completions has been impacted by conflicts caused by additional COVID-related job duties. There are also ongoing efforts to improve the overall child welfare training curriculum model to create a more robust and sequential training and professional development pathway for supervisors and case managers. See the Child Welfare Services section of the Discussion document for more information.
3.3.3	Increase the number of courses offered through contracts with USC Center for Child and Family Services and USC Children's Law Center	40	42	40	Count	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Number of course offerings, as calculated by contractor	Participant records and summary data reports	Internal records/Staff Training and Development	Agency employees and (ultimately) direct customers of agency services - affected children, adults, and families	Indirect benefit to agency customers - improve the quality of employee knowledge, skills, and performance through the provision of a wide variety of training and professional development offerings	0507.010000.000	The agency is assuming greater responsibility for developing new courses internally versus using outside training providers. See 3.3.1 above.
3.3.4	Increase the number of employee course completions through contracts with USC Center for Child and Family Services and USC Children's Law Center.	4586	4625	4337	Count	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Number of course completers, as calculated by contractor	Participant records and summary data reports	Internal records/Staff Training and Development	Agency employees and (ultimately) direct customers of agency services - affected children, adults, and families	Indirect benefit to agency customers - improve the quality of employee knowledge, skills, and performance through the completion of training and professional development offerings	0507.010000.000	The number of course completions has been impacted by conflicts caused by additional COVID-related job duties. The agency is also assuming greater responsibility for developing new courses internally versus using outside training providers.

Goal Organizational Health - - Ensure DSS workforce is supported in their efforts to provide high-quality service that is responsive and engaged.														
Strategy 3.4 Workforce Development Work Group Activities										Statewide Enterprise Objective Government and Citizens				
Measure Number	Description	Base	Target	Actual	Value Type	Desired Outcome	Time Applicable	Calculation Method	Data Source	Data Location	Primary Stakeholder	Stakeholder Need Satisfied	State Funded Budget Program Number Responsible	Notes
3.4.1	Percent of short-term activities that were completed timely during this fiscal year to reduce employee caseloads through enhanced employee recruiting, training, and retention efforts.	0%	95%	100%	Percent	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Number of activities completed per specifications	Project management chart	Internal records/Child Welfare Services	Agency employees and (ultimately) direct customers of agency services - affected children and families	Indirect benefit to agency customers - improve recruiting and retention levels for front-line child welfare case managers and supervisors	0507.010000.000; 0500.020000.000	
3.4.2	Percent of intermediate activities that were completed timely during this fiscal year to reduce employee caseloads through enhanced employee recruiting, training, and retention efforts.	0%	95%	83%	Percent	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Number of activities completed per specifications	Project management chart	Internal records/Child Welfare Services	Agency employees and (ultimately) direct customers of agency services - affected children and families	Indirect benefit to agency customers - improve recruiting and retention levels for front-line child welfare case managers and supervisors	0507.010000.000; 0500.020000.000	Some activities could not be completed because of restrictions caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. These activities are now scheduled for completion during SFY 2021-2022.
3.4.3	Percent of long-term activities that were completed timely during this fiscal year. to reduce employee caseloads through enhanced employee recruiting, training, and retention efforts.	0%	95%	100%	Percent	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Number of activities completed per specifications	Project management chart	Internal records/Child Welfare Services	Agency employees and (ultimately) direct customers of agency services - affected children and families	Indirect benefit to agency customers - improve recruiting and retention levels for front-line child welfare case managers and supervisors	0507.010000.000; 0500.020000.000	

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Goal Partnerships & Communication - - Foster trust, collaboration and communication with stakeholders to improve outcomes for children, families and vulnerable adults.														
Strategy 4.1										Statewide Enterprise Objective				
Planning for new (2021) federal Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA).										Government and Citizens				
Measure Number	Description	Base	Target	Actual	Value Type	Desired Outcome	Time Applicable	Calculation Method	Data Source	Data Location	Primary Stakeholder	Stakeholder Need Satisfied	State Funded Budget Program Number Responsible	Notes
4.1.1	Define eligibility criteria for Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA) services that will be used to identify the "service eligible population" of individuals and families who may be considered as "candidates for care" under new federal requirements.	0%	100%	100%	Percent Complete	Complete	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Percent complete as determined by the agency.	Attendance rosters and meeting minutes	Internal records/Child Welfare Services	Direct customers of agency services - affected children and families	Direct benefit to agency customers - facilitates greater access to quality services	2000.050501.000; 0500.020000.000	
4.1.2	Finalize the drafting of those evidence-based programs (EBP) to be included in the state's Title IV-E Prevention Plan as being authorized to provide services to eligible individuals and families.	0%	100%	100%	Percent Complete	Complete	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Percent complete as determined by the agency.	Attendance rosters and meeting minutes	Internal records/Child Welfare Services	Direct customers of agency services - affected children and families	Direct benefit to agency customers - ensures that only high quality service providers are used for referrals	2000.050501.000; 0500.020000.000	

Goal Partnerships & Communication - - Foster trust, collaboration and communication with stakeholders to improve outcomes for children, families and vulnerable adults.														
Strategy 4.2										Statewide Enterprise Objective				
Improve quality of communications in local communities.										Government and Citizens				
Measure Number	Description	Base	Target	Actual	Value Type	Desired Outcome	Time Applicable	Calculation Method	Data Source	Data Location	Primary Stakeholder	Stakeholder Need Satisfied	State Funded Budget Program Number Responsible	Notes
4.2.1	Produce quarterly editions of agency external newsletter for a target audience of over 3,000 constituents and stakeholders	0	4	12	Count	Complete	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Number of newsletters	Electronic copies and distribution lists	Internal records/Communications and External Affairs	Direct customers of agency services - affected children and families, as well as external stakeholders	Indirect benefit to agency customers - outreach, news and information sharing for the general public, providers, vendors, advocacy organizations, and other external stakeholders	0507.010000.000	The original goal of quarterly editions was increased to monthly editions.
4.2.2	Conduct quarterly meetings of the DSS Advisory Board, a volunteer, non-governing, multidisciplinary group of constituents and stakeholders.	0	4	4	Count	Complete	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Number of meetings	Agendas, minutes, and attendance rosters	Internal records/Communications and External Affairs	Direct customers of agency services - affected children and families, as well as external stakeholders	Indirect benefit to agency customers - agency feedback mechanism for customers, advocacy organizations, and other external stakeholders	0507.010000.000	
4.2.3	Establish maintenance protocol for newly-established public data dashboards on family preservation services, foster care services, adoptions, and child fatalities to ensure availability of daily data updates	0%	100%	100%	Percent Complete	Complete	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Percent complete as determined by the agency.	Validation of update logs	CAPSS data system and internal records/Accountability, Data, and Research	Direct customers of agency services - affected children and families, as well as external stakeholders	Indirect benefit to agency customers - improve public access to agency performance data	0507.010000.000; 0500.020000.000	

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**FY2021-22 Strategic Plan:**

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**Goal** Child and Adult Safety, Permanency, & Well Being - - Promote the safety and well-being of children and vulnerable adults; promote permanency for children.

**Strategy** 1.1 Improve the quality of abuse and neglect report intake decisions. **Statewide Enterprise Objective** Healthy and Safe Families

Measure Number	Description	Base	Target	Actual	Value Type	Desired Outcome	Time Applicable	Calculation Method	Data Source	Data Location	Primary Stakeholder	Stakeholder Need Satisfied	State Funded Program Number Responsible	Notes
1.1.1.	Increase the number of child protective service (CPS) investigations initiated timely	86%	90%		Percent	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	The number of CPS investigations initiated timely divided by the total number of CPS investigations. The Target value represents continuing improvement toward the 95% federal standard. The agency is working toward a long-term 100% state standard.	CAPSS data system	CAPSS data system/Accountability, Data, and Research	Direct customers of agency services - affected children and families	Direct benefit to agency customers - faster turnaround time when initiating an investigation of possible child abuse or neglect	2000.050501.000; 0500.020000.000	
1.1.2.	Increase the number of child protective service (CPS) investigations completed timely	96%	97%		Percent	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	The number of CPS investigations completed timely divided by the total number of CPS investigations. The Target value is the federal standard. The agency is working toward a long-term 100% state standard.	CAPSS data system	CAPSS data system/Accountability, Data, and Research	Direct customers of agency services - affected children and families	Direct benefit to agency customers - faster turnaround time when completing an investigation of possible child abuse or neglect	2000.050501.000; 0500.020000.000	
1.1.3.	Increase the number of adult protective service (APS) investigations initiated timely	85%	86%		Percent	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	The number of APS investigations initiated timely divided by the total number of investigations. As there is currently no federal standard, the Target value represents continuing improvement toward the agency's long-term 100% state standard.	CAPSS data system	CAPSS data system/Accountability, Data, and Research	Direct customers of agency services - affected vulnerable adults	Direct benefit to agency customers - faster turnaround time when initiating an investigation of possible abuse or neglect of a vulnerable adult	2001.200500.000; 0500.020000.000	
1.1.4.	Maintain the number of adult protective service (APS) investigations completed timely	91%	91%		Percent	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	The number of APS investigations completed within 45 days divided by the total number of investigations. As there is currently no federal standard, the Target value represents continuing improvement toward the agency's long-term 100% state standard.	CAPSS data system	CAPSS data system/Accountability, Data, and Research	Direct customers of agency services - affected vulnerable adults	Direct benefit to agency customers - faster turnaround time when completing an investigation of possible abuse or neglect of a vulnerable adult	2001.200500.000; 0500.020000.000	

Goal Child and Adult Safety, Permanency, & Well Being - Promote the safety and well-being of children and vulnerable adults; promote permanency for children.														
Strategy 1.2										Statewide Enterprise Objective				
Improve the quality of case management services										Healthy and Safe Families				
Measure Number	Description	Base	Target	Actual	Value Type	Desired Outcome	Time Applicable	Calculation Method	Data Source	Data Location	Primary Stakeholder	Stakeholder Need Satisfied	State Funded Program Number Responsible	Notes
1.2.1.	Federal child welfare Permanency Outcome 1, Item 4 - - The child is in a stable placement. Any changes in placement that occur are in the best interest of the child and consistent with achieving the child's permanency goals.	71%	81%		Percent	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	The target is based on a federal objective measure.	Quality assurance (QA) reviews using the US Department of Health and Human Services Child and Family Services Review (CFSR) Instrument	Internal records/QA and CQI	Agency employees and (ultimately) direct customers of agency services - affected children and families	Indirect benefit to agency customers - identify opportunities to improve the quality of employee knowledge, case management skills, and performance through specific changes in policy, processes, training, and support	2000.050501.000	County-specific summary review reports are available at www.dss.sc.gov.
1.2.2	Percent of activities that were completed timely during this fiscal year as part of the federal Program Improvement Plan (PIP) intended to improve case management policy and practice in the agency's child welfare services division.	100%	95%		Percent	equal to or greater than	Other	n/a	PIP Implementation Progress Reports submitted to US Department of Health and Human Services, Children's Bureau	Internal records/Performance Management	Agency employees and (ultimately) direct customers of agency services - affected children and families	Indirect benefit to agency customers - improve the quality of employee knowledge, case management skills, and performance through specific changes in policy, processes, training, and support	2000.050501.000	

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Goal Family Strengthening & Stability -- Help preserve the family unit by enhancing the capacity of individuals and families to provide for their own needs.  
Strategy 2.1 Statewide Enterprise Objective  
Promote adult employment and self-sufficiency. Healthy and Safe Families

Measure Number	Description	Base	Target	Actual	Value Type	Desired Outcome	Time Applicable	Calculation Method	Data Source	Data Location	Primary Stakeholder	Stakeholder Need Satisfied	State Funded Program Number Responsible	Notes
2.1.1	Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) benefit applications processed timely.	100%	90%		Percent	equal to or less than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	The number of days between application received date and case disposition. There is no federal standard. The Target value represents what most states use as a goal. The number is based on the 12-month average (state fiscal year) of the average number of days per decision on applications field listed on the MR161 Timeliness Measurement of Transactions listed from July 1-June 30.	CHIP Report MR161	CHIP data system/Performance Management	Direct customers of agency services - affected children and families	Direct benefit to agency customers - faster turnaround time when processing an application for TANF benefits	2000.250501.000; 0500.020000.000	Due to the uncertainty of the COVID-19 pandemic, it is expected that there will be a continued increase in the number of new applications.
2.1.2	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefit applications processed timely.	85%	90%		Percent	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	The percentage of SNAP applications approved within 30 days or less. The Target value is the federal standard. The number is based on the 12-month average (state fiscal year) of the state's total percentage of timely application approvals. This average includes both expedited and regular SNAP timeliness.	CHIP Report MR271	CHIP data system/Economic Services	Direct customers of agency services - affected children and families	Direct benefit to agency customers - faster turnaround time when processing an application for SNAP benefits	2000.350501.000; 0500.020000.000	Due to the uncertainty of the COVID-19 pandemic, it is expected that there will be a continued increase in the number of new applications.

Goal Family Strengthening & Stability -- Help preserve the family unit by enhancing the capacity of individuals and families to provide for their own needs.														
Strategy 2.2										Statewide Enterprise Objective				
Ensure children receive safe and quality child care.										Healthy and Safe Families				
Measure Number	Description	Base	Target	Actual	Value Type	Desired Outcome	Time Applicable	Calculation Method	Data Source	Data Location	Primary Stakeholder	Stakeholder Need Satisfied	State Funded Program Number Responsible	Notes
2.2.1	Increase the number of children served with SC child care vouchers	31274	21090		Count	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	The number of vouchers provided for children for any duration ranging from 1 week to 52 weeks. There are no federal or state standards due to the uncertainty in market availability of providers who are willing and able to accept the vouchers.	SC Voucher System	SC Voucher System/Economic Services	Direct customers of agency services - affected children and families	Direct benefit to agency customers - reduces or eliminates financial burden of families having to pay for child care	2000.700000.000; 0500.020000.000	The 2020-2021 target is based on a partial return to normal participation rates versus the significant increase in children served with child care vouchers during 2019-2020 as a result of COVID-19 provisions for "essential workers."
2.2.2	Maintain the number of annual child care licensing visits.	22%	90%		Percent	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	The percentage of licensed child care facilities that received at least 1 supervisory visit. There are no federal or state standards. The Target value is tied to state law for 1 unannounced visit per year to all regulated facilities.	Supervisor data reports gathered from licensing specialists	Internal records/Economic Services	Direct customers of agency services - affected children and families	Direct benefit to agency customers - provides an accountability process to ensure that licensed child care providers are operating properly	2000.700000.000	The 2020-2021 target is based on a partial return to normal operating conditions versus the inability to conduct visits during 2019-2020 because of the COVID-19 pandemic.



Goal Family Strengthening & Stability -- Help preserve the family unit by enhancing the capacity of individuals and families to provide for their own needs.														
Strategy 2.3										Statewide Enterprise Objective				
Complete transformation of the state's child support payment system.										Healthy and Safe Families				
Measure Number	Description	Base	Target	Actual	Value Type	Desired Outcome	Time Applicable	Calculation Method	Data Source	Data Location	Primary Stakeholder	Stakeholder Need Satisfied	State Funded Program Number Responsible	Notes
2.3.1	Implement enhancements to the agency's Palmetto Automated Child Support System (PACSS) to integrate a new child support application feature into the online client services portal by 06/30/2022. This enhancement will allow customers to electronically submit new child support applications.		0%	90%	Percent Complete	Complete	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Percent complete as determined by the agency.	Internal records	Internal records/Child Support Services	Direct benefit to agency customers - improve business processes used in the management of child support cases	Direct customers of agency services - affected children, adults, and families	2001.300000.000; 0500.020000.000	
2.3.2	Maintain the annual Unidentified Disbursement Collections (UDC) rate. The UDC is the percentage of total child support collections that cannot be properly distributed due to missing or incorrect child support case information. Examples include an outdated custodial parent/payee address or an incomplete cross-matching of concurrent child welfare and/or economic services case records across multiple technology systems.		0%	1%	Percent Complete	equal to or less than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Percent complete as determined by the agency.	Internal records	Internal records/Child Support Services	Direct benefit to agency customers - improve business processes used in the management of child support cases	Direct customers of agency services - affected children adults, and families	2001.300000.000; 0500.020000.000	

Goal Organizational Health - - Ensure DSS workforce is supported in their efforts to provide high-quality service that is responsive and engaged.														
Strategy 3.1										Statewide Enterprise Objective				
Establish an agency-wide continuous quality improvement (CQI) process.										Government and Citizens				
Measure Number	Description	Base	Target	Actual	Value Type	Desired Outcome	Time Applicable	Calculation Method	Data Source	Data Location	Primary Stakeholder	Stakeholder Need Satisfied	State Funded Budget Program Number Responsible	Notes
3.1.1	Complete a compilation of all quality assurance (QA), quality control (QC), and other regulatory compliance processes within the child support and economic services divisions by 12/30/2021, to include identifying how results from these processes inform decisions about continuous quality improvement (CQI) activities and initiatives.	0%	90%		Percent Complete	Complete	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Percent complete as determined by the agency.	Internal records	Internal records/QA and CQI	Indirect benefit to agency customers - improve the efficiency and effectiveness of agency outcomes through continuous evaluation of performance data and the identification of specific changes in policy, processes, training, and support	Agency employees and (ultimately) direct customers of agency services - affected children, adults, and families	0507.010000.000	
3.1.2	Percent of targeted employees who received Phase 3 advanced continuous quality improvement (CQI) training.	0%	90%		Percent	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Number of applicable course completions, as calculated by the SCEIS Learning Management System (LMS) module.	SCEIS via data entry of attendee roster after completion of each course	SCEIS/Staff Training and Development	Agency employees and (ultimately) direct customers of agency services - affected children, adults, and families	Indirect benefit to agency customers - improve the efficiency and effectiveness of agency outcomes through continuous evaluation of performance data and the identification of specific changes in policy, processes, training, and support	0507.010000.000; 0500.020000.000	This activity was previously scheduled for 2019-2020, but could not be initiated due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
3.1.3	Percent of planned county, regional, and statewide continuous quality improvement (CQI) project teams that were formed.	0%	90%		Percent	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Number of applicable team charters, as identified and approved by agency leadership	Team charters submitted to agency leadership	Internal records/QA and CQI	Agency employees and (ultimately) direct customers of agency services - affected children, adults, and families	Indirect benefit to agency customers - improve the efficiency and effectiveness of agency outcomes through continuous evaluation of performance data and the identification of specific changes in policy, processes, training, and support	0507.010000.000	This initiative is tied to the completion of 3.2.2 and 3.2.3 above. This activity was previously scheduled for 2019-2020, but could not be initiated due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Goal: Organizational Health - - Ensure DSS workforce is supported in their efforts to provide high-quality service that is responsive and engaged.														
Strategy: 3.2										Statewide Enterprise Objective				
Improve the knowledge base and expertise of agency employees.										Government and Citizens				
Measure Number	Description	Base	Target	Actual	Value Type	Desired Outcome	Time Applicable	Calculation Method	Data Source	Data Location	Primary Stakeholder	Stakeholder Need Satisfied	State Funded Budget Program Number Responsible	Notes
3.2.1	Increase the number of courses offered by internal training staff	196	205		Count	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Number of course offerings posted in the SCEIS Learning Management System (LMS) module.	SCEIS training catalog	SCEIS/Staff Training and Development	Agency employees and (ultimately) direct customers of agency services - affected children, adults, and families	Indirect benefit to agency customers - improve the quality of employee knowledge, skills, and performance through the provision of a wide variety of training and professional development offerings	0507.010000.000; 0500.020000.000	
3.2.2	Increase the number of employee course completions taught by internal training staff.	23440	24612		Count	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Number of course completers, as calculated by the SCEIS Learning Management System (LMS) module.	SCEIS via data entry of attendee roster after completion of each course	SCEIS/Staff Training and Development	Agency employees and (ultimately) direct customers of agency services - affected children, adults, and families	Indirect benefit to agency customers - improve the quality of employee knowledge, skills, and performance through the completion of training and professional development offerings	0507.010000.000; 0500.020000.000	The number of course completions may be impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Goal Organizational Health - - Ensure DSS workforce is supported in their efforts to provide high-quality service that is responsive and engaged.														
Strategy 3.3										Statewide Enterprise Objective				
Workforce Development Work Group Activities										Government and Citizens				
Measure Number	Description	Base	Target	Actual	Value Type	Desired Outcome	Time Applicable	Calculation Method	Data Source	Data Location	Primary Stakeholder	Stakeholder Need Satisfied	State Funded Budget Program Number Responsible	Notes
3.3.1	Percent of short-term activities that were completed timely during this fiscal year to reduce employee caseloads through enhanced employee recruiting, training, and retention efforts.	100%	95%		Percent	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Number of activities completed per specifications	Project management chart	Internal records/Child Welfare Services	Agency employees and (ultimately) direct customers of agency services - affected children and families	Indirect benefit to agency customers - improve recruiting and retention levels for front-line child welfare case managers and supervisors	0507.010000.000; 0500.020000.000	
3.3.2	Percent of intermediate activities that were completed timely during this fiscal year to reduce employee caseloads through enhanced employee recruiting, training, and retention efforts.	83%	95%		Percent	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Number of activities completed per specifications	Project management chart	Internal records/Child Welfare Services	Agency employees and (ultimately) direct customers of agency services - affected children and families	Indirect benefit to agency customers - improve recruiting and retention levels for front-line child welfare case managers and supervisors	0507.010000.000; 0500.020000.000	
3.3.3	Percent of long-term activities that were completed timely during this fiscal year. to reduce employee caseloads through enhanced employee recruiting, training, and retention efforts.	100%	90%		Percent	equal to or greater than	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Number of activities completed per specifications	Project management chart	Internal records/Child Welfare Services	Agency employees and (ultimately) direct customers of agency services - affected children and families	Indirect benefit to agency customers - improve recruiting and retention levels for front-line child welfare case managers and supervisors	0507.010000.000; 0500.020000.000	

Goal Partnerships & Communication - - Foster trust, collaboration and communication with stakeholders to improve outcomes for children, families and vulnerable adults.														
Strategy 4.1										Statewide Enterprise Objective				
Planning for new (2021) federal Family First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA)										Government and Citizens				
Measure Number	Description	Base	Target	Actual	Value Type	Desired Outcome	Time Applicable	Calculation Method	Data Source	Data Location	Primary Stakeholder	Stakeholder Need Satisfied	State Funded Budget Program Number Responsible	Notes
4.1.1	Implement enhancements to the agency's child welfare data management system (CAPSS) to integrate provider information into individual case files by 12/31/2021. This integration will allow for tracking of provider activities to support data collection and reporting, as well as serve as the method to validate services provided for payment purposes.	0%	90%		Percent Complete	Complete	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Percent complete as determined by the agency.	Internal records	Internal records/Child Welfare Services	Direct benefit to agency customers - ensures that only high quality service providers are used for referrals	Direct customers of agency services - affected children, adults, and families	2000.050501.000; 0500.020000.000	
4.1.2	Finalize the initial rollout of those evidence-based programs (EBP) that are authorized to provide services to eligible individuals and families by 12/31/2021. This rollout includes the establishment of service areas for these providers across the state.	0%	90%		Percent Complete	Complete	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Percent complete as determined by the agency.	Internal records	Internal records/Child Welfare Services	Direct benefit to agency customers - facilitates greater access to quality services	Direct customers of agency services - affected children, adults, and families	2000.050501.000; 0500.020000.000	

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**Goal** Partnerships & Communication - - Foster trust, collaboration and communication with stakeholders to improve outcomes for children, families and vulnerable adults.

**Strategy** 4.2 **Statewide Enterprise Objective**

Improve quality of communications in local communities. Government and Citizens

Measure Number	Description	Base	Target	Actual	Value Type	Desired Outcome	Time Applicable	Calculation Method	Data Source	Data Location	Primary Stakeholder	Stakeholder Need Satisfied	State Funded Budget Program Number Responsible	Notes
4.2.1	Produce monthly editions of agency external newsletter for a target audience of over 7,000 constituents and stakeholders	12	12		Count	Complete	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Number of newsletters	Electronic copies and distribution lists	Internal records/Communications and External Affairs	Direct customers of agency services - affected children and families, as well as external stakeholders	Indirect benefit to agency customers - outreach, news and information sharing for the general public, providers, vendors, advocacy organizations, and other external stakeholders	0507.010000.000	
4.2.2	Conduct quarterly meetings of the DSS Advisory Board, a volunteer, non-governing, multidisciplinary group of constituents and stakeholders.	4	4		Count	Complete	State Fiscal Year (July 1 - June 30).	Number of meetings	Agendas, minutes, and attendance rosters	Internal records/Communications and External Affairs	Direct customers of agency services - affected children and families, as well as external stakeholders	Indirect benefit to agency customers - agency feedback mechanism for customers, advocacy organizations, and other external stakeholders	0507.010000.000	

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State Funded Program Number	State Funded Program Title	Description of State Funded Program	General	Other	Federal	TOTAL	General	Other	Federal	TOTAL
0500.020000.000	Information Resource Management	Information Resource Management enhances and upgrades technology to improve customer access and accuracy of information as well as worker time.	\$12,288,697.00	\$196,744.00	\$12,997,406.00	\$25,482,847.00	\$6,842,933.00	\$14,000,473.00	\$33,491,017.00	\$54,334,423.00
0500.060100.000	Children's Services	These programs provide assistance to eligible citizens, to improve the quality of life of these citizens, and to assist these individuals to obtain their highest level of functioning.	\$2,560,952.00	\$3,106,848.00	\$9,298,445.00	\$14,966,245.00	\$1,342,754.00	\$6,408,380.00	\$15,379,202.00	\$23,130,336.00
0500.060105X000	Strengthening Families Program	Children's Trust of SC pass-through funding	\$700,000.00			\$700,000.00	\$700,000.00			\$700,000.00
0500.060500.000	Adult Services	These programs provide assistance to eligible citizens, to improve the quality of life of these citizens, and to assist these individuals to obtain their highest level of functioning.	\$1,236,547.00		-\$447,385.00	\$789,162.00	\$6,251.00		\$5,353,800.00	\$5,360,051.00
0500.061000.000	Family Independence	These programs provide assistance to eligible citizens, to improve the quality of life of these citizens, and to assist these individuals to obtain their highest level of functioning.			\$6,930,132.00	\$6,930,132.00	\$22,731.00	\$16,122.00	\$12,118,026.00	\$12,156,879.00
0500.061500.000	Economic Services	These programs provide assistance to eligible citizens, to improve the quality of life of these citizens, and to assist these individuals to obtain their highest level of functioning.	\$5,017,185.00	\$1,342,104.00	\$16,308,886.00	\$22,668,175.00	\$1,730,943.00	\$1,901,958.00	\$5,366,871.00	\$8,999,772.00
0502.040000.000	County Office Administration	The County Office Administration Program tracks administrative support costs of the counties.	\$7,419,044.00	\$636,797.00	\$10,064,891.00	\$18,120,732.00	\$5,862,457.00	\$699,299.00	\$8,977,325.00	\$15,539,081.00
0505.050000.000	County Support Of Local DSS	The County Local Support Program tracks transactions submitted by County Government for office space, facility services, janitorial services, utilities, telephone services and related supplies, for the county offices.	-\$1,599,654.00	\$488,451.00	\$1,785,730.00	\$674,527.00		\$925,108.00	\$3,427,674.00	\$4,352,782.00
0507.010000.000	Agency Administration	The Agency Administration Program tracks general state office administrative support costs (such as Human Resource Management, Finance, Budgets, Procurement, etc.)	\$8,951,030.00	\$816,156.00	\$32,085,341.00	\$41,852,527.00	\$5,177,655.00	\$3,152,869.00	\$16,588,474.00	\$24,918,998.00
2000.050501.000	CPS Case Management	These programs provide services to families which are mandated by law to protect children from abuse and neglect within their families, in foster care, or by persons responsible for the child's welfare as defined by statute. Services are provided to strengthen families; to enable children to remain safe in the home; to temporarily remove from parental custody a child who is at imminent risk of harm; or to pursue termination of parental rights and assure the child permanency in a substitute family if the custodial family cannot be preserved without serious risk to the child.	\$22,223,922.00	\$567,300.00	\$33,067,408.00	\$55,858,630.00	\$54,417,218.00	\$416,624.00	\$40,800,977.00	\$95,634,819.00

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State Funded Program Number	State Funded Program Title	Description of State Funded Program	General	Other	Federal	TOTAL	General	Other	Federal	TOTAL
2000.051000.000	Legal Representation	These programs provide services to families which are mandated by law to protect children from abuse and neglect within their families, in foster care, or by persons responsible for the child's welfare as defined by statute. Services are provided to strengthen families; to enable children to remain safe in the home; to temporarily remove from parental custody a child who is at imminent risk of harm; or to pursue termination of parental rights and assure the child permanency in a substitute family if the custodial family cannot be preserved without serious risk to the child.	\$7,073,136.00	\$480,087.00	\$1,706,812.00	\$9,260,035.00	\$2,730,313.00	\$51,851.00	\$4,281,712.00	\$7,063,876.00
2000.100500.000	Foster Care Case Management	These programs provide within the framework of federal and state mandates, substitute care and to support out-of-home services that are child centered and family focused; to contribute to the protection of children and promote their well-being, and to effectively serve children who need therapeutic placements.	\$14,094,425.00	\$1,479,554.00	\$8,377,742.00	\$23,951,721.00	\$13,897,684.00	\$7,465,339.00	\$13,156,807.00	\$34,519,830.00
2000.101510X000	IMD Group Homes	These programs provide within the framework of federal and state mandates, substitute care and to support out-of-home services that are child centered and family focused; to contribute to the protection of children and promote their well-being, and to effectively serve children who need therapeutic placements.	\$20,676,781.00		\$7,507,112.00	\$28,183,893.00	\$20,676,781.00			\$20,676,781.00
2000.150500.000	Adoptions Case Management	The purpose of this program is to provide services to children, birth parents, and adoptive families, to suitably and permanently place children; and to provide post-legal services to adult adoptees, birth families, and adoptive families.	\$3,773,457.00	\$4,290.00	\$2,837,603.00	\$6,615,350.00	\$2,220,258.00	\$10,089.00	\$3,790,191.00	\$6,020,538.00
2000.151000.000	Adoptions Case Services	The purpose of this program is to provide services to children, birth parents, and adoptive families, to suitably and permanently place children; and to provide post-legal services to adult adoptees, birth families, and adoptive families.	\$14,958,294.00		\$23,160,374.00	\$38,118,668.00	\$12,616,719.00	\$1,428,507.00	\$11,229,895.00	\$25,275,121.00
2000.201005X000	Criminal Domestic Violence - SCCADVASA	South Carolina Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault (SCCADVASA) recurring pass through funding.	\$500,000.00			\$500,000.00	\$500,000.00			\$500,000.00
2000.250501.000	Empl & Trng Case Management	These programs provide assistance to welfare recipients to maximize their strengths and abilities to become fully employed; to become socially and economically independent.	\$9,557,957.00	\$1,082,995.00	\$7,906,509.00	\$18,547,461.00	\$819,316.00	\$289,673.00	\$13,370,712.00	\$14,479,701.00
2000.251000.000	Empl & Trng Case Services	These programs provide assistance to welfare recipients to maximize their strengths and abilities to become fully employed; to become socially and economically independent.	\$2,354.00		\$488,268.00	\$490,622.00	\$2,500.00		\$7,518,082.00	\$7,520,582.00
2000.251500.000	TANF Case Services	These programs provide assistance to welfare recipients to maximize their strengths and abilities to become fully employed; to become socially and economically independent.	\$7,134,439.00	-\$35,346.00	\$16,071,922.00	\$23,171,015.00	\$3,625,903.00	\$1,281,217.00	\$57,141,399.00	\$62,048,519.00



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State Funded Program Number	State Funded Program Title	Description of State Funded Program	General	Other	Federal	TOTAL	General	Other	Federal	TOTAL
2000.350501.000	SNAP Case Management	The Federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) formerly the Food Stamp Assistance Program provides cash assistance to low-income individuals and families so they can purchase food.	\$1,623,678.00	\$413,904.00	\$1,624,280.00	\$3,661,862.00	\$6,561,538.00	\$2,285,872.00	\$7,778,064.00	\$16,625,474.00
2000.351000.000	SNAP Case Services	The Federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) formerly the Food Stamp Assistance Program provides cash assistance to low-income individuals and families so they can purchase food.			\$453,385.00	\$453,385.00				
2000.450000.000	Family Preservation	This program prevents the unnecessary separation of children from their families, improve the quality of care and services to children and their families, and ensure permanency for children by reuniting them with their parents, by adoption or by another permanent living arrangement.	\$1,465,463.00	\$97,402.00	\$5,028,099.00	\$6,590,964.00	\$138,730.00	\$819,137.00	\$5,465,997.00	\$6,423,864.00
2000.500000.000	Homemaker	The Homemaker Program assists individuals and families with activities of daily living, personal care, and home management in order to overcome specific barriers.	\$43,873.00		\$247,486.00	\$291,359.00	\$3,311.00		\$1,514,499.00	\$1,517,810.00
2000.550000.000	Battered Spouse	Domestic Violence Services provide support to victims of family violence, their children and abusers through a network of community based/nonprofit service providers. Programs are designed to provide crisis intervention and prevention services.	\$100,000.00	\$703,330.00	\$4,389,965.00	\$5,193,295.00	\$1,648,890.00	\$849,986.00	\$3,207,173.00	\$5,706,049.00
2000.600100.000	Pregnancy Prevention	The Pregnancy Prevention program prevents and reduces the incidence of out-of-wedlock pregnancies among participants through services/activities provided to the participant and his or her family. Services/activities will be provided to ensure that the family can provide a healthy, safe, and nurturing environment for all family members. Participants will be encouraged to delay sexual involvement and pregnancy until they are physically, financially, and emotionally ready to care for children							\$150,177.00	\$150,177.00
2000.600200X000	Campaign To Prevent Teen Pregnancy	The Pregnancy Prevention program prevents and reduces the incidence of out-of-wedlock pregnancies among participants through services/activities provided to the participant and his or her family. Services/activities will be provided to ensure that the family can provide a healthy, safe, and nurturing environment for all family members. Participants will be encouraged to delay sexual involvement and pregnancy until they are physically, financially, and emotionally ready to care for children	\$307,832.00			\$307,832.00				

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State Funded Program Number	State Funded Program Title	Description of State Funded Program	General	Other	Federal	TOTAL	General	Other	Federal	TOTAL
2000.600400X000	Continuation Of Teen Pregnancy Prevention	The Pregnancy Prevention program prevents and reduces the incidence of out-of-wedlock pregnancies among participants through services/activities provided to the participant and his or her family. Services/activities will be provided to ensure that the family can provide a healthy, safe, and nurturing environment for all family members. Participants will be encouraged to delay sexual involvement and pregnancy until they are physically, financially, and emotionally ready to care for children					\$546,972.00			\$546,972.00
2000.650000.000	Food Service	The Food Services Program consists of a network of food assistance programs that improve the health and well-being of children and adults who cannot provide adequate nutrition for themselves.			\$22,002,605.00	\$22,002,605.00			\$36,036,715.00	\$36,036,715.00
2000.700000.000	Child Care	The primary focus of the Division of Early Care and Education (DECE), formerly called Child Care Services, remains to increase the availability, affordability, accessibility, quality and safety of child care throughout the State.	\$10,284,666.00	\$24,018.00	\$214,800,469.00	\$225,109,153.00	\$10,284,049.00	\$4,903,336.00	\$76,471,506.00	\$91,658,891.00
2001.101000.000	Foster Care Case Services	These programs provide within the framework of federal and state mandates, substitute care and to support out-of-home services that are child centered and family focused; to contribute to the protection of children and promote their well-being, and to effectively serve children who need therapeutic placements.	\$8,588,913.00	-\$26,654.00	\$23,753,470.00	\$32,315,729.00	\$18,210,702.00		\$35,871,698.00	\$54,082,400.00
2001.101500.000	EDC Case Services	These programs provide within the framework of federal and state mandates, substitute care and to support out-of-home services that are child centered and family focused; to contribute to the protection of children and promote their well-being, and to effectively serve children who need therapeutic placements.	\$11,587,199.00	\$259,895.00	\$72,570.00	\$11,919,664.00	\$14,302,121.00	\$1,590,121.00	\$3,955,188.00	\$19,847,430.00
2001.200500.000	APS Case Management	The purpose of this program is to investigate reports of abuse, neglect or exploitation of vulnerable adults that are senile; mentally retarded, developmentally disabled, and/or otherwise incapacitated (age 18 and over) who are unable to provide for their own care and protection, and to provide protective services to these adults in the least restrictive environment.	\$166,431.00	\$290,499.00	\$4,986,127.00	\$5,443,057.00	\$93,945.00		\$3,151,421.00	\$3,245,366.00

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			FY 2020-21 Expenditures (Actual)				FY 2021-22 Expenditures (Projected)			
State Funded Program Number	State Funded Program Title	Description of State Funded Program	General	Other	Federal	TOTAL	General	Other	Federal	TOTAL
2001.201000.000	APS Case Services	The purpose of this program is to investigate reports of abuse, neglect or exploitation of vulnerable adults that are senile; mentally retarded, developmentally disabled, and/or otherwise incapacitated (age 18 and over) who are unable to provide for their own care and protection, and to provide protective services to these adults in the least restrictive environment.	\$1,405,360.00		\$4,648,642.00	\$6,054,002.00			\$175,000.00	\$175,000.00
2001.300000.000	Child Support Enforcement	The Integrated Child Support Services Division (ICSSD), formerly the Child Support Enforcement Division and the Child Support Enforcement Project, establishes and enforces orders for child support, establishes paternity for children when paternity is an issue, locates absent parents when whereabouts are unknown, and collects and distributes child support payments. ICSSD also provides enhanced fatherhood initiatives and new linkages to child welfare services and employment-related services to improve the capability of both custodial and non-custodial parents to provide their children with the financial, physical and emotional support they deserve and need to be safe and to thrive.	\$7,995,872.00	\$6,607,006.00	\$32,376,527.00	\$46,979,405.00	\$9,200,279.00	\$4,462,705.00	\$65,078,977.00	\$78,741,961.00
9500.050000.000	State Employer Contributions	Employee benefits (also called fringe benefits) include various types of non-wage compensation provided to employees in addition to their normal wages or salaries. Examples of these benefits include: group insurance (health, dental, life etc.), disability income protection, retirement benefits, sick leave, vacation (paid and non-paid), social security, profit sharing, funding of education, and other specialized benefits.	\$29,949,176.00	\$3,737,196.00	\$40,292,124.00	\$73,978,496.00	\$38,776,174.00	\$3,387,631.00	\$31,883,931.00	\$74,047,736.00
9807.420000X000	Information Security and Technology Infrastructure	Non-recurring appropriation to DSS for IT Phone Systems Upgrade. Project completed in FY21.	\$53,413.00			\$53,413.00				
9808.040000X000	Child Support Enforcement	Non-recurring appropriation to DSS for the operations of the Child Support Enforcement Systems.		\$1,712,867.00		\$1,712,867.00				

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State Treasurer salary and personnel.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-10	State	Statute	
Account in books for appropriations.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-100	State	Statute	
State Treasurer publication of quarterly statements.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-120	State	Statute	
Payment of appropriations to state institutions.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-130	State	Statute	
Payment of appropriations to meet ordinary expenses.	Funding agency deliverable(s)	§ 11-5-140	State	Statute	
Monies appropriated for erection of state college buildings.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-150	State	Statute	
Payment of appropriations when no direction is given.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-160	State	Statute	
State Treasurer to send daily reports to Comptroller General.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-170	State	Statute	
State Treasurer, quarterly report to departments and agencies receiving monies pursuant to Sections 14-1-205, 14-1-206, 14-1-207, and 14-1-208.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-175	State	Statute	
Monthly reports to Comptroller General of cash transactions.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-180	State	Statute	
Treasurer's annual report to the General Assembly.	Funding agency deliverable(s)	§ 11-5-185	State	Statute	
Fund for insurance and postage on securities in transit.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-190	State	Statute	
State Treasurer bond.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-20	State	Statute	
Payroll payments by Electronic Funds Transfer System.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-200	State	Statute	
Licensing fees and other income of Professional and Occupational Licensing Agencies.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-210	State	Statute	
Report required after sale of bonds or notes.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-220	State	Statute	
Account for provision of matching disaster assistance funds as required by federal agencies.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-230	State	Statute	
Data to be furnished to rating services.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-240	State	Statute	
State Treasurer reports to boards of trustees of institutions of higher learning.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-245	State	Statute	
Office of State Treasurer to be considered limited trust company in connection with banking activities with Federal Reserve Board.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-250	State	Statute	
Check for payment of claim not presented for payment within two years; reissuance upon proof of nonpayment.	Funding agency deliverable(s)	§ 11-5-260	State	Statute	
Investment of endowment funds of institutions of higher learning by State Treasurer.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-270	State	Statute	
The State Treasurer may enter into contracts allowing a state agency or institution to accept credit cards as payment for goods or services provided.	Funding agency deliverable(s)	§ 11-5-280	State	Statute	
Palmetto ABLE Savings Program created.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-400	State	Statute	
Definitions.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-410	State	Statute	
Administration of ABLE Savings Program.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-420	State	Statute	
Program managers; management contracts; exchange of data authorized.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-430	State	Statute	
Opening of account by designated beneficiary; contributions; account owner powers; distributions; accounting; tax exemption.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-440	State	Statute	

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Accounts not guaranteed by the State; rules and regulations.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-450	State	Statute	
Palmetto ABLE Savings Program Trust Fund established; Palmetto ABLE Savings Expense Fund established.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-460	State	Statute	
Duties as to defaulting county treasurers.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-50	State	Statute	
County treasurer to be charged interest for refusal or neglecting to pay taxes.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-60	State	Statute	
Report of names of defaulting county treasurers.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-70	State	Statute	
Proceedings against defaulting treasurers.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-80	State	Statute	
Remitting funds from United States property in Clarks Hill project area to counties.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 11-5-90	State	Statute	
Establishes the State Department of Social Services, subordinate divisions of the Department, and Department director.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-1-10	State	Statute	
Authorizes DSS to investigate certain institutions or agencies.	Requires a service	§ 43-1-100	State	Statute	
Authorizes DSS to cooperate with Federal Government in administration of Federal Child Welfare Services.	Requires a service	§ 43-1-110	State	Statute	
Requires county DSS office performance audits every 5 years.	Report our agency must/may provide	§ 43-1-115	State	Statute	
Authorizes DSS to secure all possible Federal aid.	Requires a service	§ 43-1-120	State	Statute	
Authorizes DSS to administer the Social Services Block Grant Program.	Requires a service	§ 43-1-135	State	Statute	
Requires DSS to keep proper records as required by the federal government.	Report our agency must/may provide	§ 43-1-140	State	Statute	
Requires DSS to promulgate regulations as required by the federal government in the administration of public assistance.	Report our agency must/may provide	§ 43-1-150	State	Statute	
Restricts the disclosure of public assistance information.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-1-160	State	Statute	
Requires the preparation and submission of an annual budget by DSS.	Report our agency must/may provide	§ 43-1-170	State	Statute	
Authorizes the DSS director to select the depositories for its funds pending the clearing of assistance checks and require such security on such deposits as it shall deem practicable.	Funding agency deliverable(s)	§ 43-1-190	State	Statute	
Authorizes DSS to pay salaries and other expenses.	Funding agency deliverable(s)	§ 43-1-200	State	Statute	
Establishes program standards for treatment of perpetrators of domestic violence.	Funding agency deliverable(s)	§ 43-1-205	State	Statute	
Requires DSS to submit an annual report and recommendations.	Report our agency must/may provide	§ 43-1-210	State	Statute	
Establishes restrictions on direct services provided by State Department under Title XX.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-1-230	State	Statute	
Requires DSS coordination with First Steps to School Readiness initiative.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-1-240	State	Statute	
Repealed.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 43-1-260	State	Statute	
Establishes certain requirements concerning the State Director of Social Services including selection, term, duties, salary, and bond.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-1-50	State	Statute	
Authorizes the DSS Director to create a State Advisory Council of Social Services to consider and advise with the department on its problems and the remedies therefor.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-1-60	State	Statute	

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Authorizes the DSS Director regarding selection of other employees of State Department, compensation, and bond.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-1-70	State	Statute	
Requires the names of persons benefiting from assistance payments under the Department of Social Services programs to be available to other state agencies if not in conflict with federal regulations.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-1-710	State	Statute	
Requires that a county not supplement the salary of any Department of Social Services employee.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-1-715	State	Statute	
Requires DSS to establish and collect accounts receivable in accordance with appropriate and applicable federal regulations.	Funding agency deliverable(s)	§ 43-1-720	State	Statute	
Establishes the powers, duties and purpose of DSS.	Requires a service	§ 43-1-80	State	Statute	
Authorizes DSS to supervise the administration of assistance under Chapters 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 19 and 23.	Requires a service	§ 43-1-90	State	Statute	
Creates county departments and boards of social services.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-3-10	State	Statute	
Establishes standards relating to records and accounts of county departments; inspection, supervision, and audit.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-3-100	State	Statute	
Establishes standards relating to reports of county directors.	Report our agency must/may provide	§ 43-3-110	State	Statute	
Sets forth compensation guidelines for members of county boards.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-3-20	State	Statute	
Sets forth requirements relating to the chairman, meetings, quorum, and rules of procedure for county boards.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-3-30	State	Statute	
Sets forth requirements for selection, salaries, and duties of DSS county directors.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-3-40	State	Statute	
Authorizes county advisory councils of social services.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-3-50	State	Statute	
Sets forth definitions for the Omnibus Adult Protection Act.	Requires a service	§ 43-35-10	State	Statute	
Nonmedical remedial treatment by spiritual means is not abuse or neglect of vulnerable adult.	Requires a service	§ 43-35-13	State	Statute	
Vulnerable Adults Investigations Unit; Long Term Care Ombudsman Program; Adult Protective Services Program; responsibilities; referral of reports.	Requires a service	§ 43-35-15	State	Statute	
Additional powers of investigative entities.	Requires a service	§ 43-35-20	State	Statute	
Establishes a Vulnerable Adult Guardian ad Litem Program.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-200	State	Statute	
Sets forth definitions relating to the Vulnerable Adult Guardian ad Litem Program.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-210	State	Statute	
Duties and responsibilities of guardian ad litem; assessments.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-220	State	Statute	
Appointment of guardian ad litem; continuing legal education.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-230	State	Statute	
Appointment of guardian ad litem for abuse, neglect, or exploitation proceedings; criminal background checks.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-240	State	Statute	
Persons required to report abuse, neglect, or exploitation of adult; reporting methods.	Requires a service	§ 43-35-25	State	Statute	
Charge of guardian ad litem; petition for removal.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-250	State	Statute	
Permits access to information by guardian ad litem.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-260	State	Statute	
Confidentiality of reports and information.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-270	State	Statute	

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Civil immunity of guardian ad litem.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-280	State	Statute	
Funding for Vulnerable Adult Guardian ad Litem Program.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-290	State	Statute	
Photographing of visible trauma on abused adult.	Requires a service	§ 43-35-30	State	Statute	
Creates Adult Protection Coordinating Council.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-310	State	Statute	
Responsibilities of council.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-320	State	Statute	
Duties of council.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-330	State	Statute	
Officers; terms of office; quorum.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-340	State	Statute	
Reporting deaths where abuse or neglect suspected.	Requires a service	§ 43-35-35	State	Statute	
Council meetings.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-350	State	Statute	
Responsibilities when a report is received; initiation of investigation; reports to local law enforcement or Vulnerable Adults Investigations Unit.	Requires a service	§ 43-35-40	State	Statute	
Warrant from family court to permit investigation of report; order for protective services; appointment of guardian and attorney; evaluation; hearing; review; semiannual reevaluation; payment for services.	Requires a service	§ 43-35-45	State	Statute	
Establishes the Omnibus Adult Protection Act.	Requires a service	§ 43-35-5	State	Statute	
Abrogation of privilege for certain communications.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-50	State	Statute	
Creates and sets forth definitions relating to Vulnerable Adult Fatalities Review Committee.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-500	State	Statute	
Policy of State regarding health and safety of vulnerable adults.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-510	State	Statute	
Investigations of deaths in facilities operated by the Department of Mental Health or the Department of Disabilities and Special Needs; death by natural causes in a veterans' nursing home.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-520	State	Statute	
Conduct of investigations.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-530	State	Statute	
Access to medical information.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-540	State	Statute	
Protective custody by law enforcement officer; procedure; notification of protective services program; subsequent proceedings.	Requires a service	§ 43-35-55	State	Statute	
Subpoena of medical information.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-550	State	Statute	
Vulnerable Adults Fatalities Review Committee; members; terms; meetings; administrative support.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-560	State	Statute	
Purpose of Vulnerable Adult Fatalities Review Committee.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-570	State	Statute	
Meetings discussing individual cases closed; disclosure of information identifying vulnerable adult or family member.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-580	State	Statute	
Confidential and public information.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-590	State	Statute	
The South Carolina Law Enforcement Division may promulgate regulations if necessary to carry out its responsibilities under this article.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-595	State	Statute	
Sharing of report information by investigative entities; public confidentiality.	Requires a service	§ 43-35-60	State	Statute	
Notices to be displayed at facilities.	Requires a service	§ 43-35-65	State	Statute	
Requires reports to occupational licensing boards.	Requires a service	§ 43-35-70	State	Statute	
Immunity of person making report or participating in investigation in good faith.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-75	State	Statute	

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Action by Attorney General against person or facility for failure to exercise reasonable care; fine.	Requires a service	§ 43-35-80	State	Statute	
Establishes penalties for mandated reporters of vulnerable adult abuse, neglect, exploitation.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-85	State	Statute	
Article not to affect authority of agencies under federal or state law.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-35-90	State	Statute	
Sets forth duties and powers of county directors.		§ 43-3-60	State	Statute	
Requires each county to provide office space and facility service for county Department of Social Services.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-3-65	State	Statute	
Requires county directors to provide to the state director estimates of county expenses and sets forth standards regarding the county director's authority to engage, and qualifications of, agents and employees.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-3-70	State	Statute	
Establishes standards regarding county budgets and records of activities and funds.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-3-80	State	Statute	
Establishes standards of work, procedure and records of county directors.		§ 43-3-90	State	Statute	
Authorizes DSS as to the implementation and administration of public welfare program and the promulgation of regulations.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-10	State	Statute	
Sets forth state welfare policy.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1105	State	Statute	
Sets forth definitions relating to the South Carolina Family Independence Act of 1995.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1110	State	Statute	
Requires employment and training for those receiving assistance.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1115	State	Statute	
Requires welfare agreements; leave from employment for family planning services; employment and training components of receiving assistance.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1120	State	Statute	
Requires sanctions for failing to comply with welfare agreement.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1125	State	Statute	
Sets forth county departmental goals for hiring welfare recipients.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1130	State	Statute	
Sets forth state agency goals to recruit and employ welfare recipients.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1135	State	Statute	
Requires labor market and occupational information to be provided to department.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1140	State	Statute	
Authorizes assistance payments paid as wage subsidy or tax credit.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1145	State	Statute	
Authorizes Job Training and Partnership Act incentive funds.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1150	State	Statute	
Authorizes seeking funds for entrepreneurial development.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1155	State	Statute	
Authorizes relocation assistance.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1160	State	Statute	
Authorizes teen parent independence initiative.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1165	State	Statute	
Sets forth standards relating to time limited welfare and exceptions.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1170	State	Statute	
Restricts increase in welfare with increase in number of children.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1175	State	Statute	
Requires participation in work support when child is one year old.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1180	State	Statute	
Authorizes family skills training program.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1185	State	Statute	
Sets forth standards relating to eligibility denied on ground of alcohol or drug problem; treatment program required.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1190	State	Statute	
Eligibility based on parent's support and employment revised.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1195	State	Statute	
Authorizes the Department of Revenue to provide tax information to DSS relating to applicants for assistance.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-120	State	Statute	



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Sets forth vehicle and other asset limits.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1200	State	Statute	
Sets forth standards relating to interest income and dividends to be excluded.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1205	State	Statute	
Sets forth standards relating to minor child's income to be excluded.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1210	State	Statute	
Welfare recipients under age eighteen must attend school.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1215	State	Statute	
Minor mother must live with minor's parents to receive welfare; exceptions.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1220	State	Statute	
Authorizes outreach and information programs.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1225	State	Statute	
Family to be served as a whole.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1230	State	Statute	
Requires increased health care access through existing resources.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1235	State	Statute	
Authorizes transitional Medicaid and child care.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1240	State	Statute	
Federal child care funds must be sought.	Funding agency deliverable(s)	§ 43-5-1245	State	Statute	
Sets forth standards relating to household residence.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-125	State	Statute	
Endorsement of statewide mass transit network.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1250	State	Statute	
Adult education initiatives.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1255	State	Statute	
Technical education partnership initiatives.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1260	State	Statute	
Requires simplification of application forms.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1265	State	Statute	
Information on absent parent required.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-1270	State	Statute	
Sets forth electronic data interchange standards.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-5-1275	State	Statute	
Requires review of federal and state procurement and purchasing regulations.	Funding agency deliverable(s)	§ 43-5-1280	State	Statute	
Requires annual report.	Report our agency must/may provide	§ 43-5-1285	State	Statute	
Sets forth standards relating to consideration of income of relative.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-130	State	Statute	
Sets forth standards relating to annual notification of eligibility and reporting requirements; duty to report; failure to report; change in eligibility.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-140	State	Statute	
Requires investigation as to application for assistance.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-145	State	Statute	
Establishes date on which assistance shall begin.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-148	State	Statute	
Sets forth standards relating to applications for assistance; manner and form.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-15	State	Statute	
Authorizes appeal to State department upon application denial; proceedings; further appeals.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-150	State	Statute	
Establishes appeal if application not acted upon within specified time.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-155	State	Statute	
Authorizes review by state department on own motion or request of applicant.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-160	State	Statute	
Authorizes investigation, hearing, and decision by state department.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-165	State	Statute	
Sets forth standards relating to subpoenas, oaths and examinations of witnesses.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-170	State	Statute	
Sets forth the effect of state department's decision on county department.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-175	State	Statute	
Sets forth charges and fees for representing applicants or recipients of assistance.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-5-180	State	Statute	

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Prohibits public officers from attempting to influence decisions regarding applications for assistance; penalty.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-5-185	State	Statute	
Requires payments to be exempt from taxes, levy or other process; payments to be inalienable and unassignable; bankruptcy.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-190	State	Statute	
Sets forth standards relating to payments to support needy child and eligible caretaker; counseling for recipient where aid not being used in best interests of child; appointment of protective payee.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-20	State	Statute	
Sets forth requirements for endorsement when recipient dies after issuance of check.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-200	State	Statute	
Sets forth standards for obtaining support payments from absent parents; amount; proceedings.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-220	State	Statute	
Provides that portion of child support payments to be paid to welfare recipients; department to be reimbursed.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-222	State	Statute	
Requires a central registry of records; assistance of other agencies; availability of records.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-225	State	Statute	
Establishes a Public Welfare Cooperative Support Program Fund.	Funding agency deliverable(s)	§ 43-5-230	State	Statute	
Authorizes reimbursement of local entities for costs of child support collection and paternity determination program.	Funding agency deliverable(s)	§ 43-5-235	State	Statute	
Sets forth standards relating to the provision of information regarding contraception and family planning.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-24	State	Statute	
Authorizes execution of cooperative support program agreement.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-5-240	State	Statute	
Sets forth time and forms for submission of plans for operating program; execution of contract upon approval.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-5-245	State	Statute	
Establishes a misdemeanor for willful use of payment for purpose not in best interests of child; protective payee.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-5-25	State	Statute	
Sets forth standards relating to overpayments and underpayments; recoupment or correction.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-30	State	Statute	
Requires general assistance to handicapped or unfortunate persons who are unable to support themselves.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-310	State	Statute	
Authorizes general assistance to certain persons who are essential to welfare of others.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-320	State	Statute	
Sets forth requirements for application for assistance.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-330	State	Statute	
Requires investigation of application; visit to applicant's home.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-340	State	Statute	
Authorizes grant of assistance; amount.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-350	State	Statute	
Establishes a misdemeanor for unlawful publication or other use of records; penalty.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-5-40	State	Statute	
Sets forth definitions for DSS Aid to Dependent Children.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-400	State	Statute	
Requires cooperation with federal government; administration of funds.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-410	State	Statute	
Sets forth requirements for application for aid.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-420	State	Statute	
Requires investigation and report.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-430	State	Statute	
Sets forth standards for grant for aid; denial of aid; appeal.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-440	State	Statute	

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Requires notice by department of intended adverse action.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-45	State	Statute	
Sets forth standards for amount of grants.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-450	State	Statute	
Sets forth standards for estimate of amount needed per county.	Report our agency must/may provide	§ 43-5-460	State	Statute	
Sets forth standards regarding federal funds for aid to dependent children.	Funding agency deliverable(s)	§ 43-5-470	State	Statute	
Establishes a one-time grant in event assistance check lost, stolen or destroyed.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-50	State	Statute	
Requires enforcement of support obligations of absent parents.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-580	State	Statute	
Sets forth powers and duties of Department of Social Services in accordance with approved child support plan.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-590	State	Statute	
Sets forth definitions; new hire directory; employee to file report; access to information in directory.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-598	State	Statute	
Establishes that assistance is subject to future legislation; no claim against State.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-5-60	State	Statute	
Sets forth applicability of legal process, brought to enforce child or spousal support obligations, to payments by State.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-600	State	Statute	
Sets forth standards for maintenance of central registry of records; availability of records.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-610	State	Statute	
Establishes uniform system of information clearance and retrieval; information to be furnished by bureaus of employment security and motor vehicles; confidential or privileged information.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-620	State	Statute	
Sets forth standards for proration of intermittent income received by applicants for assistance.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-630	State	Statute	
Sets forth standards relating to application of eligibility.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-65	State	Statute	
Sets forth standards relating to identification and proof of residence; verification of employment, income and other information; absence from State.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-70	State	Statute	
Sets forth standards relating to information from banks concerning applicant or recipient of aid.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-75	State	Statute	
Definitions for WIC program.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-910	State	Statute	
Sets forth standards for administration of WIC program.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-920	State	Statute	
Sets forth standards for implementation and enforcement in general of WIC program.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-930	State	Statute	
Sets forth DSS's authority in administering the WIC program.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-940	State	Statute	
Establishes aid to eighteen-year-old full-time students who are in secondary school or other equivalent training.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-95	State	Statute	
Sets forth criminal sanctions for violation of WIC program standards.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-5-950	State	Statute	
Sets forth civil sanctions for violation of WIC program standards.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 43-5-960	State	Statute	
Sets forth a right to appeal adverse action relating to WIC program.	Requires a service	§ 43-5-970	State	Statute	
"Child welfare agency" defined.	Requires a service	§ 63-11-10	State	Statute	
Creation of the Children's Case Resolution System.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-1110	State	Statute	
Purpose of the Children's Case Resolution System.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-1120	State	Statute	

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Requirements to be reviewed.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-1130	State	Statute	
Functions of the Children's Case Resolution System.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-1140	State	Statute	
Placement of emotionally disturbed children out-of-state.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-1150	State	Statute	
Staffing and funding limitations.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-1160	State	Statute	
Continuum of Care for Emotionally Disturbed Children purpose.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 63-11-1310	State	Statute	
Clients of Continuum of Care.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 63-11-1320	State	Statute	
Duties of Continuum of Care.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 63-11-1330	State	Statute	
Director and other staff; promulgation of regulations.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 63-11-1340	State	Statute	
Confidentiality.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 63-11-1350	State	Statute	
Annual report.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 63-11-1360	State	Statute	
Interagency System for Caring for Emotionally Disturbed Children.	Requires a service	§ 63-11-1510	State	Statute	
State agency responsibilities.	Requires a service	§ 63-11-1520	State	Statute	
Services Fund.	Requires a service	§ 63-11-1530	State	Statute	
First Steps to School Readiness Board of Trustees.	Board, commission, or committee on which someone from our agency must/may serve	§ 63-11-1710	State	Statute	
Board of trustees; composition; oversight.	Board, commission, or committee on which someone from our agency must/may serve	§ 63-11-1720	State	Statute	
Advisory council.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-1725	State	Statute	
Board of trustees; promulgation of comprehensive long-term initiative; regulations; policies.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-1730	State	Statute	
Repealed.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 63-11-1735	State	Statute	
Director and staff; salary duties.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-1740	State	Statute	
Funding.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-1750	State	Statute	
Department of Child Fatalities and The State Child Fatality Advisory Committee policy.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-1900	State	Statute	
Definitions.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-1910	State	Statute	
There is created within the State Law Enforcement Division (SLED) the Department of Child Fatalities which is under the supervision of the Chief of SLED.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-1920	State	Statute	
Committee established.	Board, commission, or committee on which someone from our agency must/may serve	§ 63-11-1930	State	Statute	
Purpose and duties of department.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-1940	State	Statute	
Purpose and duties of committee.	Board, commission, or committee on which someone from our agency must/may serve	§ 63-11-1950	State	Statute	
Access to information.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-1960	State	Statute	
Subpoena power.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-1970	State	Statute	
Confidentiality of meetings.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-1980	State	Statute	
Confidentiality of information.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-1990	State	Statute	
Exemptions to "child welfare agency" definition.	Requires a service	§ 63-11-20	State	Statute	
Military-Connected Children's Welfare Task Force.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-2110	State	Statute	
Department of Children's Advocacy established.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-2210	State	Statute	

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Administrative support of department.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-2215	State	Statute	
Composition of department; salaries.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-2220	State	Statute	
Definitions relating to Department of Children's Advocacy.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-2230	State	Statute	
State Child Advocate; responsibilities; qualifications.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-2240	State	Statute	
Confidentiality.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-2250	State	Statute	
Compensation of State Child Advocate.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-2260	State	Statute	
Duties; reports; access.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-2270	State	Statute	
Critical incidents; reporting requirements; investigation.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-2280	State	Statute	
Toll-free public telephone number and electronic complaint submission form; agencies required to post number and web address.	Requires a service	§ 63-11-2290	State	Statute	
Complaints regarding State Child Advocate and department.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-2295	State	Statute	
Department of Social Services to administer article.	Requires a service	§ 63-11-30	State	Statute	
Children's advocacy centers.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-310	State	Statute	
Temporary crisis placements.	Requires a service	§ 63-11-40	State	Statute	
This article may be cited as the "South Carolina Children's Advocacy Medical Response System Act".	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-400	State	Statute	
South Carolina Children's Advocacy Medical Response System.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-410	State	Statute	
Definitions in the "South Carolina Adoption Supplemental Benefits Act".	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-420	State	Statute	
Program requirements.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-430	State	Statute	
License revocation or refusal to renew.	Requires a service	§ 63-11-50	State	Statute	
Cass Elias McCarter Guardian Ad Litem Program	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-500	State	Statute	
Responsibilities of guardian ad litem.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-510	State	Statute	
Persons prohibited from appointment as guardians ad litem.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-520	State	Statute	
Guardian ad litem to represent best interests of the child; removal of volunteer guardian ad litem.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-530	State	Statute	
Right of access to information and records.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-540	State	Statute	
Confidentiality of records and information.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-550	State	Statute	
Immunity from liability for guardian ad litem.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-560	State	Statute	
Funds.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-570	State	Statute	
Placing children in family homes.	Requires a service	§ 63-11-60	State	Statute	
Background checks; pardons.	Requires a service	§ 63-11-70	State	Statute	
Division for Review of the Foster Care of Children; board.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-700	State	Statute	
Local boards for review.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-710	State	Statute	
Functions and powers of local boards.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-720	State	Statute	
Background checks for employees and board members.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-730	State	Statute	
Meetings of local boards; staffing.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-740	State	Statute	
Participation in child abuse and neglect proceedings.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-750	State	Statute	
Immunity from liability.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-760	State	Statute	
Cooperation of public and private agencies.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-770	State	Statute	
Petitions for relief.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-780	State	Statute	
Effect of article on other agencies.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-790	State	Statute	

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Prohibition against certain disclosures of information; exception.	Requires a service	§ 63-11-80	State	Statute	
Penalties for violation of this article.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-90	State	Statute	
South Carolina Children's Trust Fund established.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-910	State	Statute	
Board of directors; terms; filling vacancies; compensation; reports.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-920	State	Statute	
Powers and duties.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-930	State	Statute	
Director.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-940	State	Statute	
Disbursement of funds.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-950	State	Statute	
Deposit and distribution of contributions pursuant to Section 12-6-5060.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-11-960	State	Statute	
The intent of this chapter is to define the regulatory duties of government necessary to safeguard children in care in child care facilities.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-10	State	Statute	
Provisional licensure, approval, and registration.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-100	State	Statute	
Registration required for church and religious centers.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-1010	State	Statute	
Registration and inspections.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-1020	State	Statute	
Statement of registration.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-1030	State	Statute	
Department of Social Services curriculum restrictions.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-1040	State	Statute	
Deficiency correction notices.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-1050	State	Statute	
Injunctions.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-1060	State	Statute	
Appeals.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-1070	State	Statute	
Penalties.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-13-1080	State	Statute	
First aid and CPR certificates.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-110	State	Statute	
Training on domestic violence.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-120	State	Statute	
A State Advisory Committee on the Regulation of Childcare Facilities is established.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-13-1210	State	Statute	
Committee duties.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-1220	State	Statute	
Federal funding waivers.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-13-1230	State	Statute	
The department shall provide reasonable secretarial and administrative support to the advisory committee.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-1240	State	Statute	
The department shall offer consultation through employed staff or other qualified person to assist applicants and operators in meeting and maintaining regulations.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-130	State	Statute	
Compliance review.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-140	State	Statute	
Violation citations.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-150	State	Statute	
Injunctions.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-160	State	Statute	
Penalties.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-13-170	State	Statute	
Regulations and suggested standards.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-180	State	Statute	
Childcare facility medication administration to children.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-13-185	State	Statute	
Fingerprint reviews of Department of Social Services personnel.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-190	State	Statute	
Definitions relating to child care facilities.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-20	State	Statute	
Unlawful offenses near childcare facilities.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-13-200	State	Statute	
Notice to parents that childcare business does not carry liability insurance.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-210	State	Statute	
Caregiver requirements.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-30	State	Statute	

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Background checks for employment.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-40	State	Statute	
Licensure required for private centers and group homes.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-410	State	Statute	
Licensure requirements.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-420	State	Statute	
License renewal.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-430	State	Statute	
Display of license.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-440	State	Statute	
Notice to parents of childcare center provisional staff employment; statements from parents indicating receipt of notice.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-13-45	State	Statute	
Deficiency correction notices.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-450	State	Statute	
License denial; nonrenewal; notice; hearings; appeals.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-460	State	Statute	
Fingerprint exemptions.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-50	State	Statute	
Criminal history review fee.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-60	State	Statute	
Approval required for public centers and group homes.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-610	State	Statute	
Statement of approval requirements.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-620	State	Statute	
Approval renewal.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-630	State	Statute	
Deficiency correction notices.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-640	State	Statute	
Review meeting.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-650	State	Statute	
Every childcare center or group childcare home shall maintain a register setting forth essential facts concerning each child enrolled under the age of eighteen years.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-13-70	State	Statute	
Investigations and inspections.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-80	State	Statute	
Registration required for family childcare homes.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-810	State	Statute	
Registration requirements.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-820	State	Statute	
Training for daycare operators and workers.	Report our agency must/may provide	§ 63-13-825	State	Statute	
Statement of registration.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-830	State	Statute	
Inspections of family childcare homes.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-840	State	Statute	
Right to appeal.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-850	State	Statute	
The department shall offer consultation through employed staff or other qualified persons to assist a potential applicant, an applicant or registered operator in meeting and maintaining the suggested standards for family childcare homes.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-860	State	Statute	
Zoning.	Requires a service	§ 63-13-90	State	Statute	
The purpose of this article is to establish a procedure to aid in the determination of the paternity of an individual.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-10	State	Statute	
License revocation.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-1010	State	Statute	
Definitions.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-1020	State	Statute	
Exceptions.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-1030	State	Statute	
Obtaining information.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-1040	State	Statute	
Licensing entities to provide information.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-1050	State	Statute	
Out-of-compliance procedures; notice.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-1060	State	Statute	
Disclosure of information.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-1070	State	Statute	
Social Security numbers to be provided.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-1080	State	Statute	

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The State Department of Social Services shall promulgate regulations necessary to carry out this article and shall consult with licensing entities in developing these regulations.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-1090	State	Statute	
Employer New Hire Reporting program.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-1210	State	Statute	
Income Withholding to Enforce Child Support definitions.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-1410	State	Statute	
Orders for support subject to withholding notice.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-1420	State	Statute	
Petitioning the court.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-1430	State	Statute	
Verified notice of delinquency.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-1440	State	Statute	
Petitions to stay service.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-1450	State	Statute	
Notice to withhold.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-1460	State	Statute	
Termination or suspension of withholding.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-1470	State	Statute	
Change of address notification.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-1480	State	Statute	
Obligee's public aid status.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-1490	State	Statute	
Notification upon employment.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-1500	State	Statute	
Unemployment benefits notification.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-1510	State	Statute	
Reporting receipt of payment toward arrearage.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-1520	State	Statute	
Record of payments and disbursements.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-1530	State	Statute	
The Department of Social Services and the Office of Court Administration shall design suggested legal forms for proceeding under this article.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-1540	State	Statute	
Payor's willful failure to withhold.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-1550	State	Statute	
False proceedings; contempt.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-1560	State	Statute	
Additional rights and remedies.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-1570	State	Statute	
Centralized system of withholding.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-1580	State	Statute	
Authority to promulgate regulations.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-1590	State	Statute	
Recording arrearages.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-1600	State	Statute	
Income Withholding to Enforce Support Obligations on Income Earned Out-of-State definitions.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-1810	State	Statute	
Supplemental remedy.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-1820	State	Statute	
Order to withhold income out-of-state.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-1830	State	Statute	
Out-of-state order on in-state obligor.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-1840	State	Statute	
Notice of delinquency.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-1850	State	Statute	
Hearing.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-1860	State	Statute	
Order.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-1870	State	Statute	
Income withholding; applicability to out-of-state order.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-1880	State	Statute	
Receipt of payments by State Disbursement Unit; effect of support order.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-1890	State	Statute	
Amendment of withholding order.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-1900	State	Statute	
Voluntary income withholding.	Funding agency deliverable(s)	§ 63-17-1910	State	Statute	
Applicability of state law; foreign law.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-1920	State	Statute	
Jurisdiction in child support and paternity proceedings.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-20	State	Statute	
Medical Child Support and Income Withholding contents of order.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-2110	State	Statute	
Duties of employer or health insurer.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-2120	State	Statute	



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Notice of order to employer.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-2130	State	Statute	
Withholding by employer.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-2140	State	Statute	
Proof of compliance.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-2150	State	Statute	
Priority of order.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-2160	State	Statute	
Withholding to reimburse medical expenses.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-2170	State	Statute	
Employer prohibited actions against employee.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-2180	State	Statute	
An employer or insurer who violates any provision of this article is subject to the contempt power of the court issuing the order and may be fined up to fifty dollars per day.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-2190	State	Statute	
Clerk of court authority to attempt to locate and right to obtain information from organizations.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-2310	State	Statute	
Information from financial institutions.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-2320	State	Statute	
Immunity from liability.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-2330	State	Statute	
Reporting to credit reporting agencies.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-2510	State	Statute	
Child support arrearage liens.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-2710	State	Statute	
Written notice to obligor; administrative review.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-2720	State	Statute	
Notice of a lien, filing, expiration.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-2730	State	Statute	
Levy upon property; refusal to surrender; discharge of obligation.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-2740	State	Statute	
Written notice of perfecting a lien, executing levy, or seizing property.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-2750	State	Statute	
Judicial review.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-2760	State	Statute	
Full faith and credit.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-2770	State	Statute	
The division is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations, if necessary, to implement the provision of this section.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-2780	State	Statute	
This article may be cited as the "Uniform Interstate Family Support Act".	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-2900	State	Statute	
Definitions.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-2910	State	Statute	
Tribunals.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-2920	State	Statute	
Remedies cumulative.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-2930	State	Statute	
Application to Resident of Foreign Country and Foreign Support Proceeding.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-2940	State	Statute	
Genetic tests; costs.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-30	State	Statute	
Personal jurisdiction of nonresident.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-3010	State	Statute	
Continuing, exclusive jurisdiction.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-3020	State	Statute	
Initiating or responding tribunals.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3030	State	Statute	
Concurrent filings for support.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3040	State	Statute	
Continuing, exclusive jurisdiction to modify order.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3050	State	Statute	
Tribunal to enforce or modify.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3060	State	Statute	
Multiple tribunals.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3070	State	Statute	
Multiple registrations of orders.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3080	State	Statute	
Credit for out-of-state collections.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3090	State	Statute	
Family Court authority to enforce orders.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-310	State	Statute	
Evidence from another state.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3100	State	Statute	

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Continuing jurisdiction for spousal support.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-3110	State	Statute	
Enforcement and modification of orders.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-320	State	Statute	
A support enforcement agency may initiate a proceeding authorized under this article by filing a petition in an initiating tribunal for forwarding to a responding tribunal or by filing a petition or a comparable pleading directly in a tribunal of another state or a foreign country which has or can obtain personal jurisdiction over the respondent.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3210	State	Statute	
Initiating proceeding.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3220	State	Statute	
Governing law determination.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3230	State	Statute	
Forwarding of petition.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3240	State	Statute	
Responding tribunal powers and duties.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3250	State	Statute	
Inappropriate tribunal to forward petition.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3260	State	Statute	
Duties of support enforcement agency.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3270	State	Statute	
Duty to provide services.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3280	State	Statute	
Private counsel.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-3290	State	Statute	
Temporary order for support pending paternity.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-330	State	Statute	
Department of Social Services as state information agency.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3300	State	Statute	
Petition contents.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3310	State	Statute	
Sealing petition.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3320	State	Statute	
Fees and costs.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3330	State	Statute	
Immunity of petitioner.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-3340	State	Statute	
Nonparentage defense.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-3350	State	Statute	
Nonresident party proceedings.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-3360	State	Statute	
Communication with other tribunals.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3370	State	Statute	
Discovery powers of tribunal.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3380	State	Statute	
Disbursement of payments.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3390	State	Statute	
Any interested persons may file a petition to the court requesting the court to order persons legally chargeable to provide support as required by law.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-340	State	Statute	
Establishment of Support Order or Determination of Parentage	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3410	State	Statute	
Proceeding to determine parentage.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3420	State	Statute	
Grandparent responsibility.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-350	State	Statute	
Enforcement of Support Order Without Registration. Mailing order to employer.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3510	State	Statute	
Employer duties.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-3520	State	Statute	
Multiple income-withholding orders.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-3530	State	Statute	
Immunity.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-3540	State	Statute	
Failure to comply.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-3550	State	Statute	
Contesting withholding order.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3560	State	Statute	
Enforcement of orders.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3570	State	Statute	
Reconciliation efforts.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-360	State	Statute	
Registration for Enforcement of Support Order.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3610	State	Statute	

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Registration procedures.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3620	State	Statute	
Filing order.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3630	State	Statute	
Applicable law.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3640	State	Statute	
Summons and rule to show cause.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-370	State	Statute	
When a support order or income-withholding order issued in another state or a foreign support order is registered, the registering tribunal of this State shall notify the nonregistering party.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3710	State	Statute	
Contesting validity of order.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3720	State	Statute	
Defenses; burden of proof.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3730	State	Statute	
Confirmation of a registered support order, whether by operation of law or after notice and hearing, precludes further contest of the order with respect to any matter that could have been asserted at the time of registration.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3740	State	Statute	
Hearing notices.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-380	State	Statute	
Registration to modify.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3810	State	Statute	
Prerequisites to modification.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3820	State	Statute	
Conditions for modification.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3830	State	Statute	
Enforcement of modified order.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3840	State	Statute	
Failure to pay court-ordered child support other than periodic child support payments; affidavit; hearing; costs and attorney's fees.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-385	State	Statute	
Enforcement of modification with in-state parties.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3850	State	Statute	
Filing order.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3860	State	Statute	
Modification with no consent filed.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3870	State	Statute	
Procedure to register child-support order of foreign country for modification.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3880	State	Statute	
Warrants for refusal to obey court order.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-390	State	Statute	
Support Proceeding under Convention; definitions.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3910	State	Statute	
Applicability of part.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3915	State	Statute	
The Department of Social Services of this State is recognized as the agency designated by the United States central authority to perform specific functions under the convention.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3920	State	Statute	
Support proceeding.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3925	State	Statute	
Direct request.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3930	State	Statute	
Registration of convention support order.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3935	State	Statute	
Contest of registered convention support order.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3940	State	Statute	
Recognition and enforcement of registered convention support order.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3945	State	Statute	
Partial enforcement.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3950	State	Statute	
Foreign support agreement.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3955	State	Statute	
Modification of convention child-support order.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3960	State	Statute	
Personal information.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3965	State	Statute	
Records in original language; English translation.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-3970	State	Statute	

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Settlement and voluntary agreements.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-40	State	Statute	
Service of warrant.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-400	State	Statute	
Extradition.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-4010	State	Statute	
Prerequisites to compliance with extradition.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-4020	State	Statute	
Construction of law.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-4030	State	Statute	
Applicability of article.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-4035	State	Statute	
Severability.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-4040	State	Statute	
Form of arrest warrant.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-410	State	Statute	
Out of session proceedings.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-420	State	Statute	
Bond in lieu of punishment.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-430	State	Statute	
Bond conditions.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-440	State	Statute	
Information required in paternity and support actions.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-450	State	Statute	
Medical bills as evidence of costs.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-460	State	Statute	
Proceedings and awards.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-470	State	Statute	
Social Security numbers.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-480	State	Statute	
Employment program.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-490	State	Statute	
Verified voluntary acknowledgments.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-50	State	Statute	
Probation.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-500	State	Statute	
Authority to revoke probation.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-510	State	Statute	
Distribution of fines.	Distribute funding to another entity	§ 63-17-520	State	Statute	
Admissibility of evidence.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-60	State	Statute	
Federal mandate for and implementation of State Disbursement Unit.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-610	State	Statute	
State Disbursement Unit; operation and administration; court costs.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-620	State	Statute	
Court orders.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-17-70	State	Statute	
Child Support Enforcement Division of the Department of Social Services, or its designee, also has jurisdiction to establish paternity, to establish and enforce child support, and to administratively change the payee in cases brought pursuant to Title IV-D of the Social Security Act in accordance with this article.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-710	State	Statute	
Definitions.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-720	State	Statute	
Notice of financial responsibility; order of default.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-730	State	Statute	
Service of notice of financial responsibility.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-740	State	Statute	
Negotiation conference; consent order; monthly support obligation.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-750	State	Statute	
Failure to appear for negotiation conference.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-760	State	Statute	
Order of financial responsibility; procedures.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-770	State	Statute	
Objections to notice of responsibility.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-780	State	Statute	
Establishment of paternity.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-790	State	Statute	
Paternity testing.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-800	State	Statute	
Qualified expert; admissibility of report.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-810	State	Statute	
Out-of-state request to establish support.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-820	State	Statute	
Modification of orders.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-830	State	Statute	

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Administrative change of payee.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-840	State	Statute	
Issuance of subpoenas.	Requires a service	§ 63-17-850	State	Statute	
Sets forth purpose and principles relating to child welfare services.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-10	State	Statute	
Department investigation of institutional abuse.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-1210	State	Statute	
South Carolina Law Enforcement Division investigation of Department of Juvenile Justice and Department of Social Services institutional abuse cases.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-1220	State	Statute	
Immediate entry in Central Registry of name of person determined to have abused child in OHAN setting; notification; challenge.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-1230	State	Statute	
Sets forth purpose for Administrative Appeal of Indicated Cases.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-1410	State	Statute	
Appeal of judicial determinations.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-1420	State	Statute	
Notice and opportunity to be heard.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-1430	State	Statute	
Judicial review.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-1440	State	Statute	
Sets forth requirements for jurisdiction and venue in judicial proceedings relating to child abuse or neglect.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-1610	State	Statute	
Legal representation of children.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-1620	State	Statute	
Notice of hearings.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-1630	State	Statute	
Family preservation.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-1640	State	Statute	
Services without removal.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-1650	State	Statute	
Services with removal.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-1660	State	Statute	
Treatment plan.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-1670	State	Statute	
Approval or amendment of plan.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-1680	State	Statute	
Placement plans; substance abuse issues.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-1690	State	Statute	
Permanency planning.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-1700	State	Statute	
Standards for terminating parental rights.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-1710	State	Statute	
Clerk of court and court administration progress reports.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-7-1720	State	Statute	
Sets forth the purpose for the Central Registry of Child Abuse and Neglect.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-1910	State	Statute	
Department to maintain Central Registry.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-1920	State	Statute	
Petition for placement in Central Registry.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-1930	State	Statute	
Court order for placement in Central Registry of Child Abuse and Neglect.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-1940	State	Statute	
Updated records requested.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-1950	State	Statute	
Destruction of certain records.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-1960	State	Statute	
Release of information.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-1970	State	Statute	
Screening against the Central Registry.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-1980	State	Statute	
Confidentiality and release of records and information.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-1990	State	Statute	
Sets forth definitions relating to child protections and permanency.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-20	State	Statute	
Retention and disclosure of records of unfounded cases.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-2000	State	Statute	

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The Department of Social Services must furnish annually to the Governor and the General Assembly a report on the incidence and prevalence of child abuse and neglect in South Carolina, the effectiveness of services provided throughout the State to protect children from this harm, and any other data considered instructive.	Report our agency must/may provide	§ 63-7-2010	State	Statute	
Protecting and nurturing children in foster care.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-2310	State	Statute	
Kinship Foster Care Program.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-2320	State	Statute	
Placement with relatives.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-2330	State	Statute	
Fingerprint review.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-2340	State	Statute	
Payment of costs of Federal Bureau of Investigation fingerprint reviews.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-2345	State	Statute	
Restrictions on foster care or adoption placements. Amended in 2020 to add applicability of criminal background restrictions on employees of residential facilities in which foster children are placed and to add background check requirements for such employees.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-2350	State	Statute	
Placement of minor sex offenders.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-2360	State	Statute	
Disclosure of information to foster parents.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-2370	State	Statute	
Foster parent training.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-2380	State	Statute	
Loss for uninsured damages for foster home.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-2390	State	Statute	
Number of foster children who may be placed in a foster home.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-2400	State	Statute	
Sets forth standards relating to age or developmentally appropriate activities for children in foster care.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-25	State	Statute	
Sets forth purpose for Termination of Parental Rights.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-2510	State	Statute	
Sets forth jurisdiction for TPR actions.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-2520	State	Statute	
Filing procedures for TPR actions.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-2530	State	Statute	
Content of TPR petition.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-2540	State	Statute	
Service of TPR petition.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-2550	State	Statute	
Representation by counsel; guardian ad litem in TPR actions.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-2560	State	Statute	
Grounds for TPR.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-2570	State	Statute	
Permanency of TPR order.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-2580	State	Statute	
Effect of TPR order.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-2590	State	Statute	
Confidentiality of TPR action records.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-2600	State	Statute	
Effect on adoption laws.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-2610	State	Statute	
Construction of law.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-2620	State	Statute	
Requires referrals for people seeking assistance in caring for children to appropriate community resources or agencies.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-30	State	Statute	
Requires reports by mandated reporters of child abuse or neglect to DSS.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-310	State	Statute	
Civil action created for wrongful termination based on employee having reported child abuse or neglect.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-315	State	Statute	
Sets forth requirements relating to notification, transfer, and notice to designated military officials.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-320	State	Statute	

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Sets forth requirements relating to confidentiality of information on reporter of abuse or neglect.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-330	State	Statute	
The department must determine whether previous reports have been made regarding the same child or the same subject of the report.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-340	State	Statute	
Sets forth the department's responsibilities for gathering and using information about reports where investigation was not conducted.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-350	State	Statute	
Mandatory reporting to coroner.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-360	State	Statute	
Domestic violence reporting to DSS.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-370	State	Statute	
Sets forth standards relating to photos and x-rays without parental consent; release of medical records; release of information to the department.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-380	State	Statute	
Establishes mandated reporter immunity from liability.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-7-390	State	Statute	
Establishes safe haven for abandoned babies and sets forth DSS's responsibilities relating to safe havens.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-40	State	Statute	
Department of Social Services immunity from liability.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-400	State	Statute	
Sets for standards for a mandated reporter's failure to report; penalties.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-7-410	State	Statute	
Abrogation of privileged communication for failure to report; exceptions.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-7-420	State	Statute	
Authorizes civil action for bad faith reporting, including civil action by DSS.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-430	State	Statute	
Establishes criminal penalty for knowingly making a false report of abuse or neglect.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-7-440	State	Statute	
Requires DSS to notify mandated reporters of the nature, problem, and extent of child abuse and neglect and of their duties and responsibilities in accordance with this article and to provide certain training.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-450	State	Statute	
Statewide jurisdiction in abuse or neglect cases.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-610	State	Statute	
Emergency protective custody.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-620	State	Statute	
Notification of Department of Social Services when child taken into EPC.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-630	State	Statute	
Preliminary investigation.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-640	State	Statute	
Risk assessment before placement; opportunity to be licensed as kinship foster parent.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-650	State	Statute	
Assumption of legal custody upon EPC of child.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-660	State	Statute	
Returning child to parents; alternative procedures.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-670	State	Statute	
Emergency protective custody extension.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-680	State	Statute	
Relative placement.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-690	State	Statute	
Emergency protective custody proceedings.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-700	State	Statute	
Probable cause hearing.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-710	State	Statute	
Reasonable efforts to prevent removal.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-720	State	Statute	
Expedited placement of child with relative.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-730	State	Statute	
Right to become a licensed kinship foster parent.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-735	State	Statute	
Ex parte emergency protective custody.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-740	State	Statute	
Doctor or hospital may detain child; civil immunity.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-7-750	State	Statute	

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The department and local law enforcement agencies shall develop written protocols to address issues related to emergency protective custody.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-760	State	Statute	
Required disclosure of information to kinship care providers.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-765	State	Statute	
Required disclosure of information to residential health facilities.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-770	State	Statute	
Sets forth the purpose of DSS Intake and Investigation Duties.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-900	State	Statute	
Duties of the department relating to intake and investigation.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-910	State	Statute	
Investigations and case determination.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-920	State	Statute	
Classification categories.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-930	State	Statute	
Use of unfounded case information.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-940	State	Statute	
Investigation of withholding health care.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-950	State	Statute	
The department is charged with providing, directing, or coordinating the appropriate and timely delivery of services to children.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-960	State	Statute	
Children of incarcerated women.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-970	State	Statute	
Cooperation between the department and law enforcement.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-980	State	Statute	
Access to sex offender registry.	Requires a service	§ 63-7-990	State	Statute	
This article may be cited as the "South Carolina Adoption Act".	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-9-10	State	Statute	
Adoption by stepparent or relative.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-9-1110	State	Statute	
Adult adoption.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 63-9-1120	State	Statute	
Declaration of purpose of state adoption services.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-1310	State	Statute	
Department of Social Services adoption program only state public adoption program.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-1320	State	Statute	
Department of Social Services to administer program.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-1330	State	Statute	
Children's Bureau transferred; monitoring placements.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-1340	State	Statute	
Department of Social Services to obtain accreditation.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-1350	State	Statute	
Birth parent informational brochure; waiting period.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-1360	State	Statute	
Adoption services fees.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-1370	State	Statute	
Statewide adoption exchange.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-1510	State	Statute	
This article may be cited as the "South Carolina Adoption Supplemental Benefits Act".	Requires a service	§ 63-9-1700	State	Statute	
Purpose of the "South Carolina Adoption Supplemental Benefits Act".	Requires a service	§ 63-9-1710	State	Statute	
Definitions in the "South Carolina Adoption Supplemental Benefits Act".	Requires a service	§ 63-9-1720	State	Statute	
Program established.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-1730	State	Statute	
Notice to adoptive parents.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-1740	State	Statute	
Eligibility criteria.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-1750	State	Statute	
Eligible children.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-1760	State	Statute	
Adoptive parents; nature of supplemental benefits.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-1770	State	Statute	
Eligibility for supplemental benefits.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-1780	State	Statute	
Review of decisions.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-1790	State	Statute	
Benefits to substitute caregivers.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-1800	State	Statute	
Authority to promulgate regulations.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-1810	State	Statute	
Legislative purpose of the South Carolina Adoption Act.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-20	State	Statute	



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Interstate Compact for Adoption and Medical Assistance authorized.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-2000	State	Statute	
Compact contents.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-2010	State	Statute	
Additional provisions for Compact.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-2020	State	Statute	
Medical assistance identification.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-2030	State	Statute	
Compliance with federal law.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-2040	State	Statute	
Penalties for submitting false information.	Requires a manner of delivery	§ 63-9-2050	State	Statute	
Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children enacted.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-2200	State	Statute	
Financial responsibility for children.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-2210	State	Statute	
"Appropriate public authorities" defined.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-2220	State	Statute	
"Appropriate authority in receiving state" defined.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-2230	State	Statute	
Agreements with other compact states.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-2240	State	Statute	
Visitation, inspections by agreement.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-2250	State	Statute	
Out-of-state placements.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-2260	State	Statute	
Placement of delinquent children.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-2270	State	Statute	
"Executive head" defined.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-2280	State	Statute	
Promulgation of procedures governing interstate adoptive and foster care.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-2290	State	Statute	
Definitions in South Carolina Adoption Act.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-30	State	Statute	
Persons who must give consent or relinquishment.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-310	State	Statute	
Persons not required to give consent or relinquishment.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-320	State	Statute	
Form and content of consent and relinquishment.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-330	State	Statute	
Signing consent and relinquishment.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-340	State	Statute	
Withdrawal of consent or relinquishment.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-350	State	Statute	
Consent and relinquishment certification.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-360	State	Statute	
Adoption of a child in the custody of the Department of Social Services.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-370	State	Statute	
Jurisdiction and venue in adoption proceedings.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-40	State	Statute	
Children who may be adopted.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-50	State	Statute	
Temporary placement and custody of adoptee.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-510	State	Statute	
Investigations and reports.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-520	State	Statute	
Persons who may adopt.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-60	State	Statute	
Advertising prohibited to place or accept child for adoption; exception; penalties.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-70	State	Statute	
Petition for adoption; use of fictitious names.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-710	State	Statute	
Appointment of guardian ad litem.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-720	State	Statute	
Notice of adoption proceedings.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-730	State	Statute	
Itemized accounting of disbursements.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-740	State	Statute	
Final hearing.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-750	State	Statute	
Effect of final decree.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-760	State	Statute	
Attacks on final orders; appeals.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-770	State	Statute	
Confidentiality of hearings and records.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-780	State	Statute	
Amended birth certificates.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-790	State	Statute	
Required disclosure of information to prospective adoptive parent.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-80	State	Statute	

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State interest; purpose of Responsible Father Registry.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-810	State	Statute	
Registry established; definitions; claims of paternity; promulgation of regulations; unauthorized use.	Requires a service	§ 63-9-820	State	Statute	
Foreign adoptions.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 63-9-910	State	Statute	
Effect of foreign decrees of adoption.	Not related to agency deliverable	§ 63-9-920	State	Statute	
Establishes the SC Health & Human Services Data Warehouse and sets reporting requirements.	Requires a service	102.4 RFAO: SC Health & Human Services Data Warehouse	State	Proviso	
The appointing authority must have the prior favorable recommendation of the Agency Head Salary Commission to set, discuss, offer, or pay a salary for the agency head or technical college president at a rate that exceeds the minimum of the range established by the Agency Head Salary Commission.	Requires a service	104.10 DOA: Compensation - Agency Head Salary	State	Proviso	
Each state agency receiving federal funds subject to the audit requirements of the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments and Nonprofit Organizations shall remit to the State Auditor an amount representing an equitable portion of the expense of contracting with a nationally recognized CPA firm to conduct a portion of the audit of the State's federal financial assistance.	Requires a service	105.1 SFAA/AUD: Annual Audit of Federal Programs	State	Proviso	
The Department of Social Services, in cooperation with the Commission on Higher Education will track the numbers of recipients of this additional need-based grant to determine its effectiveness in encouraging more foster youth to pursue a secondary education.	Requires a service	11.8 CHE: Need-Based Grants for Foster Youth	State	Proviso	
Directs the remittance of revenues to the General Fund.	Requires a service	117.1 GP: Revenues, Deposits Credited to General Fund	State	Proviso	
Allows DSS to cover program operations of prior fiscal years where adjustment of such prior years are necessary under federal regulations or audit exceptions.	Requires a service	117.10 GP: Federal Funds - DHEC, DSS, DHHS - Disallowances	State	Proviso	
Establishes guidelines for the state discrimination policy and requires agencies to report to State Human Affairs Commission by October 31 of each year.	Requires a service	117.13 GP: Discrimination Policy	State	Proviso	
Provides guidelines for the establishment, management, and reconciliation of FTE's. Allows the B&C Board to delete positions determined to be unfunded.	Requires a service	117.14 GP: Personal Service Reconciliation, FTEs	State	Proviso	

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Provides guidelines for the compensation of state employees.	Requires a service	117.15 GP: Allowance for Residences & Compensation Restrictions	State	Proviso	
Allows DSS to replace personal property damaged or destroyed by a client while in the custody of the agency. Establishes guidelines.	Requires a service	117.17 GP: Replacement of Personal Property	State	Proviso	
Establishes guidelines for the reimbursement of business expenses for agency heads and deputy directors.	Requires a service	117.18 GP: Business Expense Reimbursement	State	Proviso	
Establishes the travel subsistence and mileage rates for the fiscal year and provides guidelines.	Requires a service	117.20 GP: Travel - Subsistence Expenses & Mileage	State	Proviso	
Requires organizations receiving contributions to provide the state agency making the contribution an accounting of how the funds will be spent, copy of the current year adopted budget, and a copy of the most recent financial statement.	Requires a service	117.21 GP: Organizations Receiving State Appropriations Report	State	Proviso	
Authorizes agencies to carry forward up to 10% of unspent general fund appropriations to the current fiscal year. Establishes guidelines.	Requires a service	117.23 GP: Carry Forward	State	Proviso	
Establishes guidelines to amend the State Medicaid Plan to provide benefits for disabled children as allowed by the Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act.	Requires a service	117.24 GP: TEFRA-Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act	State	Proviso	
State agencies must first consider contracting for services or purchasing goods and services through SCDC Prison Industries Program.	Requires a service	117.25 GP: Prison Industries	State	Proviso	
Establishes guidelines and requires state agencies to report to the Comptroller General travel expenditures for the prior fiscal year.	Not related to agency deliverable	117.26 GP: Travel Report	State	Proviso	
Requires state agencies to make public their Annual Accountability Report on or before September 15th and sets guidelines for the report.	Requires a service	117.29 GP: Base Budget Analysis	State	Proviso	
Sets the dates for the Fiscal Year.	Not related to agency deliverable	117.3 GP: Fiscal Year Definitions	State	Proviso	
Allows state agencies to collect a service charge to cover the costs associated with the processing and collection of dishonored or electronic payments where any amount is not paid due to insufficient funds.	Requires a service	117.30 GP: Collection on Dishonored Payments	State	Proviso	
State agencies may implement voluntary separation incentive programs with the consultation of the Department of Administration. Establishes guidelines and reporting requirements.	Requires a service	117.32 GP: Voluntary Separation Incentive Program	State	Proviso	

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Requires state agencies to report to SFC and W&M by the end of February the amount of outstanding debt and all methods used to collect it.	Requires a service	117.34 GP: Debt Collection Reports	State	Proviso	
Requires state agencies to purchase recycled steel unless the item cannot be acquired competitively at a reasonable price.	Requires a service	117.41 GP: South Carolina Recycling Initiative	State	Proviso	
Forbids state agencies from imposing additional parking fees or increasing the current fees during the fiscal year. This does not apply to college or universities.	Requires a service	117.45 GP: Parking Fees	State	Proviso	
Requires any insurance reimbursement to an agency may be used to offset expenses related to the claim.	Requires a service	117.47 GP: Insurance Claims	State	Proviso	
Requires state agencies to submit to OHR a current organization chart by September 1st.	Requires a service	117.48 GP: Organizational Charts	State	Proviso	
Establishes guidelines for agencies affected by restructuring.	Not related to agency deliverable	117.49 GP: Agencies Affected by Restructuring	State	Proviso	
Encourages agencies to combine administrative support functions with other agencies in order to maximize efficiency and effectiveness.	Requires a service	117.50 GP: Agency Administrative Support Collaboration	State	Proviso	
Directs DMH, DDSN, and DJJ to transfer \$1,199,456 to DSS for support of the Interagency System for Caring for Emotionally Disturbed Children. Transfer of funds shall be accomplished by September 30th.	Requires a service	117.54 GP: ISCEDC Funding Transfer	State	Proviso	
State agencies may use state, federal , and other funds to provide bonuses not to exceed three thousand dollars. Employees earning \$100,000 or more are not eligible. Establishes guidelines for bonuses.	Requires a service	117.55 GP: Employee Bonuses	State	Proviso	
Establishes guidelines for the submission of year-end financial statements by state agencies and provides for penalties.	Requires a service	117.58 GP: Year-End Financial Statements - Penalties	State	Proviso	
Allows agencies to retain any purchase card incentive rebate premiums and used to support operations.	Requires a service	117.59 GP: Purchase Card Incentive Rebates	State	Proviso	
Authorizes agencies receiving case services to pay with current years funds obligations received after the close of the old fiscal year. This does not apply to billings on hand at the close of the old fiscal year.	Requires a service	117.6 GP: Case Service Billing Payments Prior Year	State	Proviso	
Agencies are authorized to pay mandatory dues to SC Bar Assoc. for employed attorneys.	Requires a service	117.64 GP: Attorney Dues	State	Proviso	

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Allows agencies under certain circumstances to implement voluntary furlough programs and establishes guidelines.	Requires a service	117.68 GP: Voluntary Furlough	State	Proviso	
No state agency may increase existing fees and provides exceptions.	Requires a service	117.7 GP: Fee Increases	State	Proviso	
In the event of a reduction in force implemented by a state agency or institution, the state agency or institution must comply with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 or any other applicable federal or state antidiscrimination laws.	Requires a service	117.70 GP: Reduction in Force Antidiscrimination	State	Proviso	
In the event a reduction in force is implemented by a state agency or institution, the agency head shall be required to take five days furlough in the current fiscal year.	Requires a service	117.71 GP: Reduction in Force/Agency Head Furlough	State	Proviso	
Requires a report of the fines and fees charged and collected in the prior fiscal year by September 1st.	Requires a service	117.74 GP: Fines and Fees Report	State	Proviso	
Establishes guidelines for a mandatory furlough.	Requires a service	117.75 GP: Mandatory Furlough	State	Proviso	
Establishes guidelines for a reduction in force.	Requires a service	117.76 GP: Reduction In Force	State	Proviso	
Whenever classified FTEs become vacant because of employee retirements, it is the intent of the General Assembly that state agencies should realize personnel costs savings of at least 25% in the aggregate when managing these vacant positions.	Requires a service	117.77 GP: Cost Savings When Filling Vacancies Created by Retirement	State	Proviso	
No state agency or political subdivision of this state may decrease the compensation of an employee, including dismissal, suspension, or demotion, solely because the employee gave sworn testimony regarding alleged wrongdoing to a standing committee, subcommittee of a standing committee, or study committee of the Senate or the House of Representatives.	Requires a service	117.80 GP: Reduction in Compensation	State	Proviso	
If an agency determines the likelihood of a deficit for the current fiscal year exists, the agency shall submit to the Office of State Budget within fourteen days, a plan to minimize or eliminate the projected deficit.	Requires a service	117.81 GP: Deficit Monitoring	State	Proviso	
State government employees who use a permanently assigned agency or state owned vehicle to commute from their permanently assigned work location to and from the employee's home must either reimburse the agency in which they are employed for the cost of fuel or the personal use of the vehicle must be considered income and as such reported by the Comptroller General in accordance with IRS regulations.	Requires a service	117.82 GP: Commuting Costs	State	Proviso	

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Each state agency, except state institutions of higher learning, which has composite reservoir bank accounts or any other accounts containing public funds which are not included in the Comptroller General's Statewide Accounting and Reporting System or the South Carolina Enterprise Information System shall prepare a report for each account disclosing every transaction of the account in the prior fiscal year.	Requires a service	117.83 GP: Bank Account Transparency and Accountability	State	Proviso	
Agencies shall be responsible for providing on its Internet website a link to the Internet website of any agency, other than the individual agency, department, or institution, that posts on its Internet website that agency, department, or institution's monthly state procurement card statements or monthly reports containing all or substantially all the same information contained in the monthly state procurement card statements.	Requires a service	117.84 GP: Websites	State	Proviso	
For any claim that has not reached a judgment, if a state or local government employee or former state or local government employee ("government employee") is personally sued for civil conspiracy based in part upon a personnel or employment action or decision regarding an employee, the court must, prior to trial, make a final determination whether the action or decision giving rise to the suit was made by the government employee within the scope of their official duty.	Requires a service	117.87 GP Civil Conspiracy Defense Costs	State	Proviso	
The Budget and Control Board shall contract with one or more consultants to conduct recovery audits of payments made by state agencies included in this act to vendors. The audits must be designed to detect and recover overpayments and erroneous payments to the vendors and to recommend improved state agency accounting operations.	Requires a service	117.88 GP: Recovery Audits	State	Proviso	
Establishes guidelines for the transfer of appropriations during the fiscal year.	Not related to agency deliverable	117.9 GP: Transfers of Appropriations	State	Proviso	
Encourages state agencies, if they are assessed a base reduction, to try to realize savings through: 1) payroll management, including, but not limited to, furloughs, reductions in employee compensation, and hiring freezes; 2) eliminate administrative overhead that doesn't directly impact the agency's mission; and as a final option 3) reduce program funding.	Requires a service	117.92 GP: Agency Reduction Management	State	Proviso	

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First Steps to School Readiness, the School for the Deaf and Blind, the Department of Disabilities and Special Needs, the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Mental Health and the Department of Social Services shall each provide on a common template developed by the agencies, a quarterly report to the Chairman of the House Ways and Means Committee and the Chairman of Senate Finance outlining all programs provided by them for BabyNet; all federal funds received and expended on BabyNet and all state funds expended on BabyNet. Each entity and agency shall report on its share of the state's ongoing maintenance of effort as defined by the US Department of Education under IDEA Part C.	Requires a service	117.98 GP: First Steps - BabyNet	State	Proviso	
To ensure timely completion of the of the Statewide Single Audit, state agencies which do not receive a separate audit of federal expenditures, must submit to the Office of the State Auditor a schedule of federal program expenditures in a format prescribed by the Office of the State Auditor, no later than August fifteenth of each year.	Requires a service	117.99 GP: Single Audit Schedule of Federal Expenditures	State	Proviso	
Prohibits state agencies and institutions from using General Fund Appropriations to hire private or contract lobbyists.	Requires a service	118.6 SR: Prohibits Public Funded Lobbyists	State	Proviso	
Requires DHHS to use DSS SNAP data when enrolling and recertifying eligible children in the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP).	Not related to agency deliverable	33.15 DHHS: CHIP Enrollment and Recertification	State	Proviso	
Directs DSS to receive quarterly reports within 15 days of the end of each quarter.	Not related to agency deliverable	34.45 DHEC: Abstinence Until Marriage Emerging Programs	State	Proviso	
Allows DSS to retain all state funds above \$800,000 collected under the Child Support Enforcement Program from refunds and identified program overpayments.	Requires a service	38.1 DSS: Fee Retention	State	Proviso	
Provides guidelines for the allocation of pay increases to county director and regional director staff.	Requires a service	38.10 DSS: County Director's Pay	State	Proviso	
Authorizes the department to receive and expend funds awarded to investigative units of the department as a result of a donation, contribution, prize, grant or court order. Sets guidelines and requires a report to the Senate Finance Committee and House Ways & Means by January 30th.	Requires a service	38.11 DSS: Use of Funds Authorization	State	Proviso	
When DSS is directed to provide funds to a not-for-profit or 501(c)(3) organization they must use these funds to serve persons who are eligible for one or more DSS program.	Distribute funding to another entity	38.12 DSS: Use of Funds Authorization	State	Proviso	

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Authorizes the department to make grant to community-based not-for-profit for local projects that further the objectives of DSS programs. Sets guidelines for these grants.	Distribute funding to another entity	38.13 DSS: Grant Authority	State	Proviso	
Establishes monthly amounts by age for the basic needs of foster children.	Requires a service	38.14 DSS: Family Foster Care Payments	State	Proviso	
Authorizes the department to impose monetary penalties for violations of statutes or regulations other than foster home licensing that DSS regulates. Establishes guidelines and a hearing process for these penalties.	Requires a service	38.15 DSS: Penalty Assessment	State	Proviso	
Authorizes DSS to carry forward unexpended Child Support automated system and related penalties for the same purpose.	Requires a service	38.16 DSS: Child Support Enforcement Automated System Carry Forward	State	Proviso	
Requires a report detailing the status of the Child Support Enforcement System. This report is due to the General Assembly by August 31st.	Requires a service	38.17 DSS: Child Support Enforcement System	State	Proviso	Report our agency must/may provide
Requires DSS to use child care vouchers for providers that exceed the state's minimum child care licensing standards.	Requires a service	38.18 DSS: Child Care Voucher	State	Proviso	
Allows DSS to provide meals to employees not permitted to leave their stations and are required to work during actual emergencies.	Requires a service	38.19 DSS: Meals in Emergency Operations	State	Proviso	
Directs DSS to withhold a portion of State Funds recovered under Title IV-D Program in order to allow full participation in the federal "set off" program offered by the IRS. This proviso further provides for the use of these funds.	Requires a service	38.2 DSS: Recovered State Funds	State	Proviso	
Suspends for one year child care ratios	Requires a service	38.20 DSS: Day Care Facilities Supervision Ratios	State	Proviso	
Establishes the maximum number of Title IV-E funded children who will remain in foster care greater than 24 months will not exceed a total of 2,617 during the fiscal year.	Requires a service	38.21 DSS: Foster Care Goals	State	Proviso	
Establishes the comprehensive teen pregnancy prevention program.	Distribute funding to another entity	38.22 DSS: Comprehensive Teen Pregnancy Prevention Funding	State	Proviso	
Establishes a program for SNAP recipients to obtain additional fresh fruits and vegetables.	Requires a service	38.23 DSS: SNAP Coupons	State	Proviso	



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Creates and funds Internal Child Fatality Review Committees (internal committees) pursuant to the authority granted in Sections 43-1-60(3), 43-1-80, and 63-7-910(E) of the 1976 Code to allow for the rapid and expeditious review of reported child fatalities which come within the investigative authority of the department.	Requires a service	38.24 DSS: INTERNAL Child Fatality Review Committees	State	Proviso	
The Department of Social Services is allowed to spend state, federal, and other sources of revenue to provide tuition reimbursement and/or student loan repayment to aid in retaining caseworkers and critical needs department jobs based on objective guidelines established by the State Director of the Department of Social Services.	Requires a service	38.25 DSS: Tuition Reimbursement/Student Loan Repayment	State	Proviso	
In order to expedite the completion and certification of the Automated Child Support Enforcement System required by the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. Section 654a), the Department of Social Services is authorized to adopt, to the fullest extent possible, the system and operating procedures of the Delaware Transfer System.	Requires a service	38.26 DSS: Federally Certified Child Support Enforcement System Project	State	Proviso	
Provides authority for promulgation of regulations regarding wilderness therapeutic camps	Requires a service	38.27 DSS: Wilderness Therapeutic Camps)	State	Proviso	
Provides authority and funding for DSS to support transition of Group Homes to new service models	Requires a service	38.28 DSS Group Home Transition	State	Proviso	
Allows DSS to expend up to \$1,500 for the burial of foster children.	Requires a service	38.3 DSS: Foster Children Burial	State	Proviso	
Provides authority for promulgation of regulations to implement attachment assessments in certain situations and setting forth requirements relating to TPR actions.	Requires a service	38.30 DSS Foster Care Child Placements	State	FY 2019-20 Proviso	
Requires the department to issue a request for a proposal for a vendor to implement a comprehensive case management data and analysis system.	Requires a service	38.31 DSS Comprehensive Child Welfare Information System	State	FY 2019-20 Proviso	
Prohibits the department from applying for waiver to the federal mandatory work requirements of the SNAP program.	Requires a service	38.32 DSS SNAP Eligibility	State	FY 2019-20 Proviso	
Provides authority for the department to establish a pro bono program for private attorneys to represent the department in hearings.	Requires a service	38.33 DSS Pro Bono Program	State	FY 2019-20 Proviso	
Appropriations shall be allocated through contractual agreement to providers of battered spouse services and may also be used for public awareness and contracted services for victims of this social problem including the abused and children accompanying the abused.	Requires a service	38.4 DSS: Battered Spouse Funds	State	Proviso	
Exempts DSS employees from serving as court examiners.	Requires a service	38.5 DSS: Court Examiner Service Exemption	State	Proviso	

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Establishes guidelines for allowing DSS to advance TANF funds.	Requires a service	38.6 DSS: TANF Advance Funds	State	Proviso	
Establishes the fee schedule to be used during the fiscal year for Day Care, Central Registry Checks, Other Children's Services, Licensing Residential Group Homes, Licensing Child Care Institutions, and Licensing Child Placing Agencies.	Requires a service	38.7 DSS: Fee Schedule	State	Proviso	
Allows DSS to retain the state portion of funds recouped for the collection of recipient claims in TANF and Food Stamp programs.	Requires a service	38.8 DSS: Food Stamp Fraud	State	Proviso	
Requires TANF applicants and/or recipients to provide proof of age appropriate immunizations for children.	Requires a service	38.9 DSS: TANF - Immunization Certificates	State	Proviso	
Amends the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA) which provides for federal funding to the states in support of prevention, assessment, investigation, prosecution, and treatment activities and also provides grants to public agencies for demonstration programs and projects. Also identifies the federal role in supporting research, evaluation, technical assistance, and data collection activities; establishes the federal Office on Child Abuse and Neglect; and sets forth a minimum definition of child abuse and neglect.	Requires a service	Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act of 2010 (42 U.S.C. 5101 et seq. and 42 U.S.C. 5116 et seq.)	Federal	Statute	
Creates the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), formerly called the Food Stamp Program, which is designed to increase the food purchasing power of low-income households to obtain a nutritionally adequate low-cost diet. Recipients of TANF, Supplemental Security Income (SSI), or state-funded General Assistance programs are categorically eligible for SNAP benefits. The agency administers the SNAP program for South Carolina families by certifying applicant households and issuing Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) cards to approved households.	Requires a service	Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 (7 U.S.C. 2011 et seq.)	Federal	Statute	
Sets forth agency responsibility for operation of the Family Independence Program.	Requires a service	SC Administrative Code of Regulations Chapter 114, Regulation 114-1100	State	Regulation	
Sets forth agency responsibility for operation of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (aka Food Stamp Program).	Requires a service	SC Administrative Code of Regulations Chapter 114, Regulation 114-1300	State	Regulation	

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Sets forth agency responsibility for providing protective services for adults who have been determined to be in need of such services.	Requires a service	SC Administrative Code of Regulations Chapter 114, Regulation 114-3310	State	Regulation	
Sets forth agency responsibility for licensing of Child Placing agencies.	Requires a service	SC Administrative Code of Regulations Chapter 114, Regulation 114-4910	State	Regulation	
Sets forth agency responsibility for licensing of day care facilities.	Requires a service	SC Administrative Code of Regulations Chapter 114, Regulation 114-500	State	Regulation	
Sets forth agency responsibility for licensing of foster homes. Amended in 2020 to add language for licensed kinship placement and authorizes a process for provisional license kinship caregivers who meet certain requirements, pending issuance of a standard license to provide kinship foster care.	Requires a service	SC Administrative Code of Regulations Chapter 114, Regulation 114-550	State	Regulation	
Sets forth agency responsibility for licensing of Residential Group Care facilities for children.	Requires a service	SC Administrative Code of Regulations Chapter 114, Regulation 114-590	State	Regulation	
Sets forth the agency's responsibilities related to evaluation of Standards for Supervised Independent Living.	Requires a service	SC Administrative Code of Regulations Chapter 114, Regulation 114-595	State	Regulation	
Sets forth the agency's responsibilities for licensing of Wilderness Therapeutic Camps for Children.	Requires a service	SC Administrative Code of Regulations Chapter 114, Regulation 114-600	State	Regulation	

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This proviso amends the requirement that the Agency must remit \$800,000.00 in fees collected from child support operations to the General Fund. The Agency may now retain these funds for use in child support operations.	Distribute funding to another entity	SC Budget Proviso 38.1	State	FY 2020-21 Proviso	
This proviso removes the requirement that 4K programs in public schools and non-profit independent schools participating in the South Carolina Early Reading Development and Education program (CERDEP) be approved, registered, or licensed by the Agency. Instead, the Department of Education and the Office of First Steps are responsible for ensuring that high-quality educational programs are delivered pursuant to SC Code of Laws, Section 59-156-160.	Requires a service	SC Budget Proviso 1.56	State	FY 2020-21 Proviso	
This proviso is deleted.	Funding agency deliverable(s)	SC Budget Proviso 38.29	State	FY 2020-21 Proviso	
Title 43 of the 1976 Code, relating to the duties and procedures of investigative entities concerning adult protection, is amended to add an authorization allowing banking institutions to decline certain transaction requests in cases of suspected financial exploitation of a vulnerable adult, and to define necessary terms.	Not related to agency deliverable	SC Code of Laws, Section 43-35-87	State	Statute	
Title 63 of the 1976 Code, relating to investigations of institutional abuse, is amended to make conforming changes.	Requires a service	SC Code of Laws, Section 63-7-1210	State	Statute	
Title 63 of the 1976 Code, relating to permanency planning, is amended to make conforming changes.	Requires a service	SC Code of Laws, Section 63-7-1700	State	Statute	
Title 63 of the 1976 Code is amended to add requirements for the assessment, case planning, and documentation standards for children placed in Qualified Residential Treatment Programs (QRTP)	Requires a service	SC Code of Laws, Section 63-7-1730	State	Statute	
Title 63 of the 1976 Code is amended to add judicial review requirements for children placed in Qualified Residential Treatment Programs (QRTP)	Requires a service	SC Code of Laws, Section 63-7-1740	State	Statute	
Title 63 of the 1976 Code, relating to terms defined in the Children's Code, is amended to add a definition for a Qualified Residential Treatment Program (QRTP) and other terms.	Requires a service	SC Code of Laws, Section 63-7-20	State	Statute	
Title 63 of the 1976 Code, relating to restrictions on foster care placement, is amended to make conforming changes.	Requires a service	SC Code of Laws, Section 63-7-2350	State	Statute	
Title 63 of the 1976 Code, relating to Children's Advocacy Centers, is amended to add accreditation requirements for Children's Advocacy Centers.	Not related to agency deliverable	SC Code of Laws, Sections 63-11-310(B)(1), (C), and (D)	State	Statute	
Title 63 of the 1976 Code is amended to add Article 24, requiring that multidisciplinary teams involved in child abuse investigations and prosecution follow a specific child abuse response protocol, to include training requirements and, with the support of the SC Department of Children's Advocacy, the establishment of an advisory committee to review and update the protocol annually.	Requires a service	SC Code of Laws, Title 63, Article 24, Chapter 11,	State	Statute	

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This regulation aligns state foster home licensing standards with model licensing standards published by the US Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children, Youth and Families. These licensing standards also apply to persons who seek to adopt children who are in the state's foster care system.	Requires a manner of delivery	SC Code of Regulations, Section 114-550	State	Regulation	
This regulation establishes, clarifies, and aligns state licensing standards for residential group care facilities (including those operating Qualified Residential Treatment Programs (QRTP)) that serve children with the federal provisions of the Family First Prevention Services Act of 2018. This regulation also repeals Regulation 114-595 as it is no longer necessary.	Requires a manner of delivery	SC Code of Regulations, Sections 114-590 and 114-595	State	Regulation	
Establishes the SC ABLE Savings Program and authorizes the Department of Social Services to exchange data regarding eligible individuals with the State Treasurer, the Department of Health and Human Services, and the Department of Disability and Special Needs.	Requires a service	SC Code Title 11, Chapter 5	State	Statute	
Creates the State Department of Social Services and provides for appointment of State Director of Social Services who is appointed by and subject to removal by the Governor. Provides for agency's authority to supervise and administer public welfare and child protective services activities of the State and to administer federal funds granted in furtherance of the agency's duties. Requires agency to administer federal Social Services Block Grant Program. Requires the State Director to submit to the Governor and the General Assembly an annual budget with consideration given to federal funds allotted to the State for the agency's purposes and once every five years, to conduct a substantive quality review of the child protective services and foster care programs in each county and each adoption office. Provides for the selection of the directors of the county departments of social services by the State Director who serve at the pleasure of the State Director and requires that State Department of Social Services supervise and administer activities of all county departments of social services.	Requires a service	SC Code Title 43, Chapter 1	State	Statute	
Provides for the establishment of county departments of social services and county boards of social services in each county and specifies the duties, powers, and responsibilities of county directors of the county departments of social services, to include the submission of annual reports and budget estimates to the State Director.	Requires a service	SC Code Title 43, Chapter 3	State	Statute	
Requires the agency to operate an Adult Protective Services Program, to investigate noncriminal reports of alleged abuse, neglect, and exploitation of vulnerable adults, and to participate as a member of the Vulnerable Adults Fatalities Review Committee.	Requires a service	SC Code Title 43, Chapter 35	State	Statute	

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Requires the agency to implement and administer a public welfare program. Specifies the means for obtaining child support payments from absent parents, Authorizes the agency to enter into cooperative agreements to reimburse county officials for cost of developing and implementing a child support collection and paternity determination program.	Requires a service	SC Code Title 43, Chapter 5	State	Statute	
Sets forth the agency's responsibility to administer licensing and oversight of Child Welfare Agencies.	Requires a service	SC Code Title 63 Chapter 11	State	Statute	
Sets forth the agency's responsibilities for the regulation and oversight of childcare facilities, group childcare homes, and family childcare homes.	Requires a service	SC Code Title 63 Chapter 13	State	Statute	
Sets forth responsibilities incumbent upon the agency for the establishment of paternity and child support obligations and the specifies the means by which paternity and support obligations may be judicially and administratively established. Identifies means by which established support obligations may be administratively collected by the agency, to include income withholding in cooperation with the clerks of court. Requires the agency to create and maintain an Employer New Hire Reporting program. Specifies agency duties under the Uniform Interstate Family Support Act.	Requires a service	SC Code Title 63 Chapter 17	State	Statute	
Identifies agency responsibilities under the South Carolina Adoption Act, for establishment and maintenance of the Responsible Father Registry, and for operation of the State Adoption Services and the Statewide Adoption Exchange programs. Provides agency authority to administer the South Carolina Adoption Supplemental Benefits Act, and to serve as the State compact administrator for the Interstate Compact for Adoption and Medical Assistance and the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children.	Requires a service	SC Code Title 63 Chapter 9	State	Statute	
Identifies agency responsibilities related to child protection and permanency planning to include responsibilities for identification, investigation, and intervention of reported cases of child abuse and neglect. Sets forth processing standards and requirements for child abuse and neglect cases brought in the family court, to include specification of required components of treatment plans and standards for terminating parental rights. Specifies confidentiality requirements for records maintained by the agency in child welfare matters. Also sets forth the requirements for protection and nurture of children placed in foster care and standards to be used to evaluate foster care placements for children in the agency's custody and establishes the requirement that the agency implement and utilize the reasonable and prudent parenting standard.	Requires a service	SC Code Title 63, Chapter 7	State	Statute	

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Implements the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act and seeks to assist states in efforts to improve and expand child abuse and neglect prevention and treatment activities by making grants available to states to improve and expand child abuse and neglect prevention and treatment programs.	Requires a service	Title 45 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1340	Federal	Regulation	
Sets forth the general requirements for federal financial participation in state programs operated under Titles IV-B and IV-E of the Social Security Act.	Requires a service	Title 45 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1355	Federal	Regulation	
Sets forth the requirements for states to be eligible to receive federal financial participation in the costs of foster care maintenance payments and adoption under Title IV-E of the Social Security Act.	Requires a service	Title 45 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1356	Federal	Regulation	
Sets forth the requirements for states to submit and have approved a consolidated, five-year Child and Family Services Plan (CFSP) In order to receive funding under title IV-B of the Social Security Act.	Requires a service	Title 45 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1357	Federal	Regulation	
Sets forth requirements for states' administration of federally funded public assistance programs	Requires a service	Title 45 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 205	Federal	Regulation	
Sets forth provisions regarding coverage and eligibility for participation in federally funded public assistance programs.	Requires a service	Title 45 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 233	Federal	Regulation	
Sets forth requirements for states' administration of Child Care and Development Fund.	Requires a service	Title 45 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 98-99	Federal	Regulation	
Sets forth the requirements for states' administration of the TANF program.	Requires a service	Title 45 Code of Federal Regulations, Parts 260-285	Federal	Regulation	
Sets forth the requirements for states' administration of the Child Support Enforcement program.	Requires a service	Title 45 Code of Federal Regulations, Parts 301-308	Federal	Regulation	

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Sets forth policies and procedures governing state agencies participating in the SNAP program, formerly known as the food stamp program.	Requires a service	Title 7 Code of Federal Regulations, Parts 271-280	Federal	Regulation	
Authorizes block grants to states for the funding of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), allowing flexibility to states in the usage of federal funding to operate a program designed to (1) provide assistance to needy families so that children may be cared for in their own homes or in the homes of relatives; (2) end the dependence of needy parents on government benefits by promoting job preparation, work, and marriage; (3) prevent and reduce the incidence of out-of-wedlock pregnancies and establish annual numerical goals for preventing and reducing the incidence of these pregnancies; and (4) encourage the formation and maintenance of two-parent families. Requires State to contribute funds based on a maintenance-of-effort (MOE) requirement. Authorizes funding for child care through the Child Care and Development Block Grant.	Requires a service	Title IV-A of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 601 et seq.)	Federal	Statute	
Authorizes formula grant funds to states for the provision of child welfare-related services to children and their families, including funding under the Stephanie Tubbs Jones Child Welfare Services program (Subpart 1) and the Promoting Safe and Stable Families Program (Subpart 2). The agency uses the Subpart 1 funds in its efforts to prevent the neglect, abuse, or exploitation of children; support at-risk families through services which allow children, where appropriate, to remain with their families or return to their families in a timely manner; promote the safety, permanency, and well-being of children in foster care and adoptive families; and provide training, professional development, and support to ensure a well-qualified workforce. The agency uses the Subpart 2 funds to support programs and services related to family support and preservation, safe and timely reunification, and adoption support services.	Requires a service	Title IV-B of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 621 et seq.)	Federal	Statute	



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<p>Creates the Child Support Enforcement (CSE) program, a federal-state program, designed to help strengthen families by securing financial support for children from their noncustodial parent on a consistent and continuing basis and by helping some families to remain self-sufficient and off public assistance by providing the requisite CSE services. Families receiving TANF benefits, foster care payments under Title IV-E, or Medicaid coverage under Title XIX of the Social Security Act, are automatically referred for CSE services at no charge. Collections on behalf of families receiving TANF benefits are used, in part, to reimburse state and federal governments for TANF payments made to the family. The CSE program provides seven major services on behalf of children: (1) parent location, (2) paternity establishment, (3) establishment of child support orders, (4) review and modification of child support orders, (5) collection of child support payments, (6) distribution of child support payments, and (7) establishment and enforcement of medical support.</p>	<p>Requires a service</p>	<p>Title IV-D of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 651 et seq.)</p>	<p>Federal</p>	<p>Statute</p>	
<p>Authorizes funding to states to assist in providing safe and stable out-of-home care for children who are in out-of-home care due to child maltreatment or other circumstances until they are able to achieve permanency in their placement by being safely returned home, placed permanently with adoptive families, or placed in other planned arrangements. Title IV-E funds are available for monthly maintenance payments for the daily care and supervision of eligible children, administrative costs to manage the program, training of staff and foster care providers, recruitment of foster and adoptive parents, adoption assistance, and implementation and operation of a Statewide Automated Child Welfare Information System (SACWIS). Requires states to develop and permit use of the reasonable and prudent parenting standard.</p>	<p>Requires a service</p>	<p>Title IV-E of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 670 et seq.)</p>	<p>Federal</p>	<p>Statute</p>	

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Description of Service	Description of Direct Customer	Customer Name	Others Impacted By the Service	Agency unit providing the service	Description of agency unit	Primary negative impact if service not provided
Comprehensive services focused on the safety, well-being, and self-determination of vulnerable adults, to include seeking placement in a safe and healthy living situation.	Adults who have been abused or neglected by a caregiver	Potentially abused adults	Service providers	Adult Advocacy	Adult protective services (APS) and domestic violence services	Potentially abused adults could be subjected to long-term injury or death..
Comprehensive services focused on strengthening the knowledge and skills of child care and early childhood education professionals, as well as increasing the quality and capacity of child care providers to care for young children.	Child care providers, after school programs, pre-K programs, early childhood educators, and child care technical assistance providers	Early childhood service providers	Early childhood service customers	Economic Services	Licensure services, ABC quality program, voucher programs, training and professional development resources, child care food service programs, and technical assistance services	Child care providers may not meet basic operating requirements (thereby putting children at risk for illness, injury, and potentially death) or be able to provide quality enhanced services to children and families.
Comprehensive services focused on the safety and well-being of affected children and families, to include intake services, investigative services, family preservation services, foster care services, foster home licensing services, and adoption services.	Children at risk for abuse and neglect, as well as their families, caregivers, and associated community stakeholders	Potentially abused children	Service providers	Child Welfare Services	Child protective services (CPS) focusing on safety, family permanency, and health/well-being	Potentially abused children could be subjected to long-term injury or death..
Comprehensive services to increase access to and quality of child care facilities across the state.	Parents, caregivers, and children using child care facilities, after school programs, and pre-K programs.	Early childhood service customers	Early childhood service providers	Economic Services	Child care voucher programs (SC Voucher), child care food service programs, and ABC Quality program	Children and families would have limited to no access to child care providers that offer quality enhanced services.
Comprehensive services to protect the financial support of affected children, to include the establishment of paternity (if needed), enforcement of child support court orders, and locating of absent parents, as well as the collection and disbursement of child support payments.	Affected children, custodial parents, and non-custodial parents	Child support service customers	n/a	Child Support Services	Child support enforcement and payments	Affected children and families would not receive child support payments.
Court filings, case information, training, etc., including partnership with the SC Bench-Bar Committee and training of family court judges.	Judges, attorneys, clerks of court, and other legal professionals	SC court system	Agency customers	Agency	Agency-wide activities	The agency could not achieve many of its basic program responsibilities.
Ensure compliance with state statutes and legislative mandates to improve all agency programs, to include timely reporting of requested information.	SC General Assembly and its oversight bodies	Oversight bodies	Agency customers	Agency	Agency-wide activities	The agency would not be able to maintain maximum transparency and accountability in the operation of programs and provision of services.
Interagency collaboration and coordination of multiple programs, projects, and initiatives	Office of the Governor and multiple state agencies	Multiple state agencies	Agency customers	Agency	Agency-wide activities	Large-scale collaborative programs and projects could not be accomplished.
Collaboration and coordination of multiple programs, projects, and initiatives	Public, private, and non-profit organizations that support and/or leverage one or more agency programs	External stakeholders	Agency customers	Agency	Agency-wide activities	Large-scale collaborative programs and projects could not be accomplished.

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Description of Service	Description of Direct Customer	Customer Name	Others Impacted By the Service	Agency unit providing the service	Description of agency unit	Primary negative impact if service not provided
Basic safety net programs providing food and employment assistance to support efforts toward self-sufficiency.	Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) recipients	SNAP and TANF recipients	n/a	Economic Services	Children, adults, and families receiving SNAP and/or TANF benefits	Affected children adults, and families would not receive needed safety net benefits for food and financial benefits.

**Agency Partnerships Responses:**

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Name of Partner Entity	Type of Partner Entity	Description of Partnership
Clemson University - Youth Learning Institute	Higher Education Institute	Contract to provide various technical training courses across multiple agency programs and specialty research/evaluation projects
Greenville Technical College	Higher Education Institute	Contract to provide training and educational courses for early care and education workforce, including Associate of Arts degree programs
Heartfelt Calling	Non-Governmental Organization	Contract to support foster and adoption intakes and other services for foster and adoptive parents
Medical University of South Carolina - Division of Pediatrics	Higher Education Institute	Contract to provide specialty training for child care providers on caring for infants and toddlers
Medical University of South Carolina and Medical University Hospital Authority	Higher Education Institute	Provides comprehensive multi-disciplinary care (pediatricians, primary care, nurse practitioners, physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, counseling, social workers, parent education, etc.) services for children and families receiving DSS services in the Lowcountry region of the state
Richland County Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)	Local Government	Contract to recruit, train, and supervise volunteers who advocate for abused and neglected children throughout Richland County
SC Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault	Non-Governmental Organization	Provides domestic violence support services and training resources for local DSS offices
SC Department of Administration	State Government	Printing and mailing of computerized SNAP and TANF eligibility correspondence to DSS customers
SC Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services	State Government	Contract to co-locate staff in local DSS offices to provide screening, assessment, testing, and treatment services for DSS customers
SC Department of Children's Advocacy - Cass Elias McCarter Guardian ad Litem (GAL) Program	State Government	Contract to recruit, train, and supervise volunteers who advocate for abused and neglected children throughout South Carolina
SC Department of Children's Advocacy - Foster Care Review Board	State Government	Provides external accountability for the foster care system and serves as an advocate on behalf of children in foster care, to include coordination of 42 local review boards across the state that conduct semi-annual case reviews
SC Department of Children's Advocacy - SC Heart Gallery	State Government	The SC Heart Gallery (SCHG) uses the power of photography to find homes for children and youth in foster care. Volunteer photographers take portraits of the children and youth that are then displayed in public venues across the state. These activities raise public awareness about the need for adoptive families for children of all ages.
SC Department of Corrections	State Government	Bulk printing services for forms, brochures, posters, and flyers used in local DSS offices
SC Department of Disabilities and Special Needs	State Government	Financial partner with Interagency System of Care for Emotionally Disturbed Children (ISCEDC), to include lead agency role for Intellectual Disabilities age-out population in care from DSS; identifies facilities qualifying as group living arrangements for SNAP eligibility purposes, to include (where applicable) serving as authorized representatives for their residents; member of SC Adult Protection Coordination Council.
SC Department of Education	State Government	Facilitates a variety of activities and data sharing agreements (state-level and through coordination with local school districts) to ensure that children and families receiving benefits and services from DSS have access to all available K-12 educational opportunities and resources
SC Department of Employment and Workforce	State Government	Data sharing agreement to provide wage and unemployment data; strategic information sharing to effectively serve job seekers statewide through the SC Works Centers
SC Department of Health and Environmental Control	State Government	Data sharing agreement for birth and paternity statistical data; member of State Child Fatality Advisory Committee; member of SC Adult Protection Coordination Council.
SC Department of Health and Human Services	State Government	Primary financial partner and administrative resource for critical medical and behavioral health services, including: Medicaid eligibility determinations; Medicaid Administrative Activities (MAA) contract; transportation contract; Interagency System of Care for Emotionally Disturbed Children (ISCEDC); direct contractor for DSS' selected managed care organization (MCO); authorization process for access to psychiatric residential treatment facilities (PRTF); data sharing agreement to provide health status information for children in foster care; data sharing agreement to expedite Medicaid eligibility for SNAP-eligible children; and member of SC Adult Protection Coordination Council.
SC Department of Juvenile Justice	State Government	Financial partner with Interagency System of Care for Emotionally Disturbed Children (ISCEDC); coordination of services for at-risk children (in the community or in a DJJ facility) that have involvement with the court system.
SC Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation	State Government	Contract to conduct initial and annual fire and life safety inspections for DSS-licensed foster homes and group care facilities; member of SC Adult Protection Coordination Council.
SC Department of Mental Health	State Government	Initial mental health assessment and trauma screenings through the Out-of-Home Protocol agreement; initial and ongoing clinical and psychiatric services; serves as financial partner with Interagency System of Care for Emotionally Disturbed Children (ISCEDC); member of SC Adult Protection Coordination Council.
SC Department of Motor Vehicles	State Government	Data sharing agreement for driver's license data
SC Department of Revenue	State Government	Data sharing agreement to document tax offsets for child support
SC Foster Parent Association	Non-Governmental Organization	Non-profit and head organization to all the county foster parent organizations in South Carolina
SC Judicial Department	State Government	Provides administrative coordination and support regarding court process matters for hearings and other legal actions involving children under DSS care; partners with DSS and USC Children's Law Center for court liaison program that identifies opportunities to reduce barriers in the state's court system, to include training and awareness for judges and other court staff; clerk's unit cost and incentives contracts; member of SC Adult Protection Coordination Council.
SC Law Enforcement Division	State Government	Coordinates use of the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) data for background checks of adults involved with child welfare investigations; memorandum of understanding (MOU) to provide support for Fusion Center activities; member of SC Adult Protection Coordination Council and State Child Fatality Advisory Committee.

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SC Revenue and Fiscal Affairs Office	State Government	Contract to improve efficiency in internal and interagency electronic data collection, reporting, and analysis, as well as performance measurement of various quality initiatives
SC Technical College System	Higher Education Institute	Contracts for services with individual technical colleges
SC Vocational Rehabilitation Department	State Government	Vocational rehabilitation services for SNAP and TANF participants
University of South Carolina - College of Education	Higher Education Institute	Contract to a) manage SC Child Care Resource and Referral Network; b) collect and analyze child care data to inform program and policy decisions; c) coursework, training, and technical assistance for child care providers; d) infant and toddler outreach services; e) training for DSS child care staff; and f) support to caregivers serving special needs children.
University of South Carolina - College of Social Work (Center for Child and Family Studies)	Higher Education Institute	Contract to support DSS in the completion of federally-mandated quality assurance (QA) reviews for child welfare programs, various technical training courses across multiple agency programs, and specialty research/evaluation projects, including ongoing support for the Michelle H. Settlement Agreement
University of South Carolina - School of Law (Children's Law Center)	Higher Education Institute	Contract to provide legal training and continuing legal education programs for DSS staff and mandated reporters; administers the court liaison program in collaboration with DSS and the SC Judicial Department; provides support for the Children's Justice Act Task Force and the state's three Citizens Review Panels; collaborates on multiple committees and statewide initiatives, including the Joint Citizens and Legislative Committee on Children, the Family Court Bench-Bar Committee, and the Court Improvement Program.

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Reports Responses:**

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Report Name	Law Number (If required)	Summary of Information Requested in the Report	Most Recent Submission Date	Reporting Frequency	Type of Entity	Method to Access the Report	Direct access hyperlink or agency contact
"Jaidon's Law" (Act 281) Data Report	SC Code of Laws 43-1-210	To report annually on specific caseworker and children data.	02/26/2021	Annually	Legislative entity or entities	Provided to LSA for posting online	N/A
Access & Visitation Grant Report	N/A	This report is a cumulative numerical and narrative report of the program's efforts and successes in delivering its access and visitation program, known locally as the V.I.P. or Visitation Involved Parenting Program. It shows the number of individuals served by the program and the types of services provided them. Visitation orders, mediations, and parenting education are among the services captured in this report.	12/01/2020	Annually	Entity within federal government	Electronic copy available upon request	Contact stephen.yarborough@dss.sc.gov
Act 146 Data Summary - Kinship Care and other Data Elements	SC Code of Laws, §43-1-210	Data report summarizing kinship care placements and licensures, as well as other agency operations.	02/26/2021	Annually	Governor or Lt. Governor AND Legislative entity or entities	Electronic copy available upon request	Contact diana.testter@dss.sc.gov
Agency Accountability Report	SC Code of Laws, §1-1-810	The report "must contain the agency's or department's mission, objectives to accomplish the mission, and performance measures that show the degree to which objectives are being met." Agencies must "identify key program area descriptions and expenditures and link these to key financial and performance results measures."	09/15/2020	Annually	Governor or Lt. Governor AND Legislative entity or entities	Provided to LSA for posting online	N/A
Annual Head Start Collaboration Report	N/A	Reflects work done as it relates to the Head Start Act and collaboration priorities.	01/29/2021	Annually	Entity within federal government	Available on another website	www.eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov
Annual Refugee Outcome Goal Plan	45 CFR 400.154	Review of previous year's approved annual outcome goal plan. Compare these with actual results and propose goals for the next year.	11/30/2020	Annually	Entity within federal government	Electronic copy available upon request	Cynthia.Benjamin@dss.sc.gov
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Annual State Report on Verification of SNAP Participation	7 CFR 272.14, 273.16	The report must include sufficient information to show that the state had appropriate systems in place to ensure that the state did not issue benefits to anyone who was deceased or permanently disqualified from receiving benefits during the prior year.	03/23/2021	Annually	Entity within federal government	Electronic copy available upon request	Contact: katherine.hayden@dss.sc.gov
Bank Account Transparency and Accountability	SC Budget Proviso 117.80	Report of any bank or other financial accounts not otherwise reported through SCEIS. The report shall be submitted by October first of each fiscal year.	10/1/2020	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	www.sfaa.sc.gov

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Child and Family Services Plan (CFSP) for Child Welfare Services	Title IV-B of the Social Security Act and 45 CFR 1357	Assessment of performance of the SC child welfare system and the plan for improving child and family outcomes, to include collaboration with stakeholders. Yearly progress on the CFSP is reported on the Annual Progress and Services Report (APSR).	06/30/2021	Every Five years	Entity within federal government	Available on another website	<a href="http://www.dss.sc.gov">www.dss.sc.gov</a>
Child and Family Services Review (CFSR)	US Department of Health and Human Services Regulations 45 CFR 1355 and S.C. Code of Laws, Section 43-1-115	Federally mandated quality assurance (QA) reviews of child welfare cases in county offices that are conducted by the agency or the University of South Carolina Center for Child and Family Studies. Each county is reviewed at least once every 3 years.	6/30/2021	Every Three years	Entity within federal government	Available on agency's website	Contact <a href="mailto:janel.mitnaul@dss.sc.gov">janel.mitnaul@dss.sc.gov</a>
Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) ACF 800 Report	Pub. L.113-186, U.S.C. 9858 et seq., 45 CFR 98 Public law codified in U.S. Code at 42 U.S.C. Sections 9857-9858; final rule codified at 45 C.F.R 98 and 99: (98.70 (b) & 98.71 (b)).	Total children served for the fiscal year and total providers by provider type.	12/21/2020	Annually	Entity within federal government	Available on another website	<a href="http://www.acf.hhs.gov/occ/ccdf">www.acf.hhs.gov/occ/ccdf</a>
Child Support Services (CSS) Data Reliability Audit (DRA)	Social Security Act, sections 409, 452(a) and (g), 458, and 469; 45 CFR 302.15(a).	This audit measures reliability of state-level data used in determining performance measures and incentive payments.	10/2/2020	Other	Entity within federal government	Available on another website	ACF website - <a href="http://www.acf.hhs.gov/css">www.acf.hhs.gov/css</a>

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Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) Performance Progress Report (PPR)	Family Violence Prevention and Services Act (FVPSA) 42 U.S.C. 10404 (a) (4); and as amended by Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment (CAPTA) Reauthorization Act of 2010 (Pub. L. 111-320)	Reporting of major activities and accomplishments during the previous grant year. This includes evaluation of the effectiveness of those activities, as well as numerical and narrative data about the activities.	12/22/2020	Annually	Entity within federal government	Available on another website	<a href="http://www.grantsolutions.gov">www.grantsolutions.gov</a>
Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) National Identity Services Audit	34 U.S.C. §40311-40316	Agencies use, dissemination, and maintenance of the Criminal History Record Information (CHRI) received from the FBI as a result of agency applicant fingerprint submissions.	03/24/2021	Every Three years	Entity within federal government	Available on another website	<a href="http://www.sled.sc.gov">www.sled.sc.gov</a>
Fines and Fees Report	SC Budget Proviso 38.70	A report on fines and fees charged and collected in the prior fiscal year.	09/01/2020	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	<a href="http://www.sos-test.sc.gov/fines-and-fees-report">www.sos-test.sc.gov/fines-and-fees-report</a>
Information Technology and Information Security Plans	2019-2020 South Carolina Budget Proviso 117.117	All state agencies must submit an information technology plan and an information security plan, to include updates if there are material changes.	09/15/2020	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	<a href="http://www.admin.sc.gov">www.admin.sc.gov</a>
Michelle H Final Settlement Agreement Monitoring/Progress Reports	N/A	These progress reports are submitted following completion of each six-month review cycles.	04/01/2021	Twice a year	Other	Available on another website	<a href="http://www.cssp.org/publications/child-welfare?type=child_welfare_class_action_reform&amp;title=Child Welfare: Class Action Reform">www.cssp.org/publications/child-welfare?type=child_welfare_class_action_reform&amp;title=Child Welfare: Class Action Reform</a>
National Adult Maltreatment Reporting System (NAMRS) Report	N/A - Voluntary National Reporting System	This reports collects state adult protective services (APS) data to provide consistent, accurate national data on the maltreatment of older adults and adults with disabilities.	03/10/2021	Annually	Other	Available on another website	<a href="http://www.namrs.acl.gov/Learning-Resources.aspx">www.namrs.acl.gov/Learning-Resources.aspx</a>



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OCSE 157 Report – Child Support Enforcement Annual Data Report	Social Security Act, sections 409, 452(a) and (g), 458, and 469. Also, 45 CFR 302.15(a).	Annual data summary	10/30/2020	Annually	Entity within federal government	Available on another website	<a href="http://www.acf.hhs.gov/css">www.acf.hhs.gov/css</a>
OCSE 34-A Report – Child Support Quarterly Collections Report	Social Security Act, sections 409, 452(a) and (g), 458, and 469. Also, 45 CFR 302.15(a).	This report contains a summary of child support payments collected, distributed, and those not distributed.	04/01/2021	Quarterly	Entity within federal government	Available on another website	<a href="http://www.acf.hhs.gov/css">www.acf.hhs.gov/css</a>
OCSE 396 Report – Child Support Quarterly Enforcement Program Quarterly Financial Report	Social Security Act, sections 409, 452(a) and (g), 458, and 469. Also, 45 CFR 302.15(a).	This report provides detailed information on program expenditures of its own funds, administrative expenditures, cost recovery, interest earned, and fees associated with providing the technical services required to run the program.	04/01/2021	Quarterly	Entity within federal government	Available on another website	<a href="http://www.acf.hhs.gov/css">www.acf.hhs.gov/css</a>
ORR-6 Performance Report	45 CFR 400.154	Statistical Data and program services provided to refugees	3/1/2021	Other	Entity within federal government	Electronic copy available upon request	<a href="mailto:Cynthia.Benjamin@dss.sc.gov">Cynthia.Benjamin@dss.sc.gov</a>
Quarterly Procurement Report	N/A	List of sole source, emergency, trade-ins, preference awards, unauthorized, and 10% rule procurements.	03/31/2021	Quarterly	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	<a href="http://www.sfaa.sc.gov">www.sfaa.sc.gov</a>
Safeguard Review Corrective Action Plan (CAP) for SC57X-CS (Child Support)	IRS Pub. 1075, Safeguards for Protecting Federal Tax Returns and Return Information.	Ongoing corrective action response to reported findings, to include updates until actions are approved by the IRS.	05/25/2021	Annually	Entity within federal government	Not available to the public	Due to the inclusion of personal tax information (PTI) and other confidential information, this report is not available for public review.
Safeguard Review Corrective Action Plan (CAP) for SC629-HS (Human Services or Economic Services)	IRS Pub. 1075, Safeguards for Protecting Federal Tax Returns and Return Information.	DSS corrective action response to reported findings, to include updates until actions are approved by the IRS.	05/25/2021	Annually	Entity within federal government	Not available to the public	Due to the inclusion of personal tax information (PTI) and other confidential information, this report is not available for public review.

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Safeguard Security Report (SSR) for SC57X-CS (Child Support)	IRS Publication 1075	Report of agency security posture to support IRS Safeguard programs for systems utilizing Federal Tax Information (FTI).	09/29/2020	Annually	Entity within federal government	Not available to the public	Due to the inclusion of personal tax information (PTI) and other confidential information, this report is not available for public review.
Safeguard Security Report (SSR) for SC629-HS (Human Services or Economic Services)	IRS Publication 1075	Report of agency security posture to support IRS Safeguard programs for systems utilizing Federal Tax Information (FTI).	09/29/2020	Annually	Entity within federal government	Not available to the public	Due to the inclusion of personal tax information (PTI) and other confidential information, this report is not available for public review.
SC Head Start Annual Assessment	42 US Code 9837b, ACF 45 CFR 1301	Annual program assessment	06/30/2021	Annually	Entity within federal government	Available on another website	<a href="http://www.eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov">www.eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov</a>
SCCAP Renewal	7 CFR 273.23	Cost Neutrality Report and changes made to the program	8/7/2020	Other	Entity within federal government	Electronic copy available upon request	<a href="mailto:katherine.hayden@dss.sc.gov">katherine.hayden@dss.sc.gov</a>
Social Services Block Grant (SSBG) Post-Expenditure Report	The Omnibus Reconciliation Act of 1981 [P.L. 97-35] amended title XX of the Social Security Act	Accounting by service based on expenditures for the FFY and number of clients served; demographics of clients served.	03/26/2021	Annually	Entity within federal government	Available on another website	<a href="http://www.grantsolutions.gov">www.grantsolutions.gov</a>
State Agency Travel Report	SC Code of Regulations 19-101.13 - 19-101.19.	Establishes guidelines and requires state agencies to report travel expenditures for the prior fiscal year.	09/30/2020	Annually	South Carolina state agency or agencies	Available on another website	<a href="http://www.cg.sc.gov/publications-and-reports/travel-reports">www.cg.sc.gov/publications-and-reports/travel-reports</a>
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Whistleblower Complaint Reporting	7 CFR 273.18(d)(1)	SNAP fraud and/or trafficking reports made by the public to the Federal Government which requires a state investigation by SC and a report to the USDA-FNS within 60 days	6/11/2021	Other	Entity within federal government	Electronic copy available upon request	<a href="mailto:keshawn.jacobs@dss.sc.gov">keshawn.jacobs@dss.sc.gov</a>

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Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) - FNS 101	Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 US Code of Federal Regulations 7 CFR 273.3(c)(1)(ii) 7 CFR 274	Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) Participation In Food Programs By Race	09/21/2020	Annually	Entity within federal government	Electronic copy available upon request	Contact erika.anderson@dss.sc.gov.
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) - FNS 388	Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 US Code of Federal Regulations 7 CFR 273.3(c)(1)(ii) 7 CFR 274	Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) Issuance and Participation Estimates	03/23/2021	Monthly	Entity within federal government	Electronic copy available upon request	Contact erika.anderson@dss.sc.gov.
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) - FNS 388A	Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 US Code of Federal Regulations 7 CFR 273.3(c)(1)(ii) 7 CFR 274	Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) Participation by Persons and Household	3/23/2021	Twice a year	Entity within federal government	Electronic copy available upon request	Contact erika.anderson@dss.sc.gov.
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Education and Administrative Reporting System	Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 US Code of Federal Regulations 7 CFR § 272.2	SNAP-Ed participants and contacts; demographics; delivery sites; programming; budget information.	12/28/2020	Annually	Entity within federal government	Electronic copy available upon request	Contact erika.anderson@dss.sc.gov.

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Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Education Annual Report	Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 US Code of Federal Regulations 7 CFR § 272.2	Program overview; administrative expenditures; impact evaluation; planned improvements.	01/28/2021	Annually	Entity within federal government	Electronic copy available upon request	Contact erika.anderson@dss.sc.gov.
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Employment and Training (E&T) Program Monitoring, Oversight and Reporting Measures	US Code of Federal Regulations, 7-CFR-273.6	Outcome data to monitor the effectiveness of the SNAP E&T program	12/21/2020	Annually	Entity within federal government	Electronic copy available upon request	Contact tamara.james@dss.sc.gov.
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) FNS-834 State Agency (NSLP/SNAP) Direct Certification Rate Data Element Report	National School Lunch Program (Direct Certification), Public Law 110-246	The report contains an unduplicated count of school-aged children (5-17 years old) in SNAP households during July, August, and September. The data is used to establish state performance benchmarks for the National School Lunch Program's (NSLP) direct certification process as these children are automatically eligible for free meal benefits in public schools.	12/01/2020	Annually	Entity within federal government	Electronic copy available upon request	Contact diana.testter@dss.sc.gov.
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Outreach Final Report	Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 US Code of Federal Regulations 7 CFR § 277	Major accomplishments; major challenges and solutions developed; evaluation methodology and findings.	11/23/2020	Annually	Entity within federal government	Electronic copy available upon request	Contact erika.anderson@dss.sc.gov.
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Program Activity Statement - FNS-366B	Food and Nutrition Act 2008 Code of Federal Regulations 7 CFR 272.2(c)	Number of initial application and recertifications approved and denied; SNAP applications and dispositions; Fair Hearing information; eligibility fraud and trafficking investigations completed; administrative disqualification hearings; prosecutions completed; and program dollars to be recovered during reporting period.	04/20/2021	Quarterly	Entity within federal government	Electronic copy available upon request	brad.bundrick@dss.sc.gov

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Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Standard Medical Deduction Demonstration Project - Annual Report	Food and Nutrition Act of 2008, Section 5(e)(5)(A) and US Code of Federal Regulations: 7 CFR 273.9(d)(3), 7 CFR 271.2, and 7 CFR 273.2(f)(1)(iv)	Number of elderly or disabled households in the caseload during the reporting year; number with medical expenses in excess of \$35; number that took standard medical deductions; and that opted for actual calculation of medical expenses.	02/23/2021	Annually	Entity within federal government	Electronic copy available upon request	Contact katherine.hayden@dss.sc.gov
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Standard Medical Deduction Demonstration Project - Cost Neutrality Report with Summary Data	Food and Nutrition Act of 2008, Section 5(e)(5)(A) and US Code of Federal Regulations: 7 CFR 273.9(d)(3), 7 CFR 271.2, and 7 CFR 273.2(f)(1)(iv)	Review of 200 elderly/disabled cases with excess medical expenses.	02/23/2021	Annually	Entity within federal government	Electronic copy available upon request	Contact katherine.hayden@dss.sc.gov
Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) Standard Utility Allowance Calculations and Methodology	US Code of Federal Regulations: 7 CFR 273.9(d)(6)(iii)	Calculation and methodology for determining Standard Utility Allowance (SUA), Mandatory Utility Allowance (MUA), Basic Utility Allowance (BUA), and Telephone Allowance	05/07/2021	Annually	Entity within federal government	Electronic copy available upon request	Contact katherine.hayden@dss.sc.gov
Women, Infant, and Children (WIC) Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP) Financial and Program Report - FNS 683	Food and Nutrition Act of 2008 US Code of Federal Regulations 7 CFR 249.15	SFMNP financial and program activity for the season.	03/11/2021	Annually	Entity within federal government	Electronic copy available upon request	Contact erika.anderson@dss.sc.gov