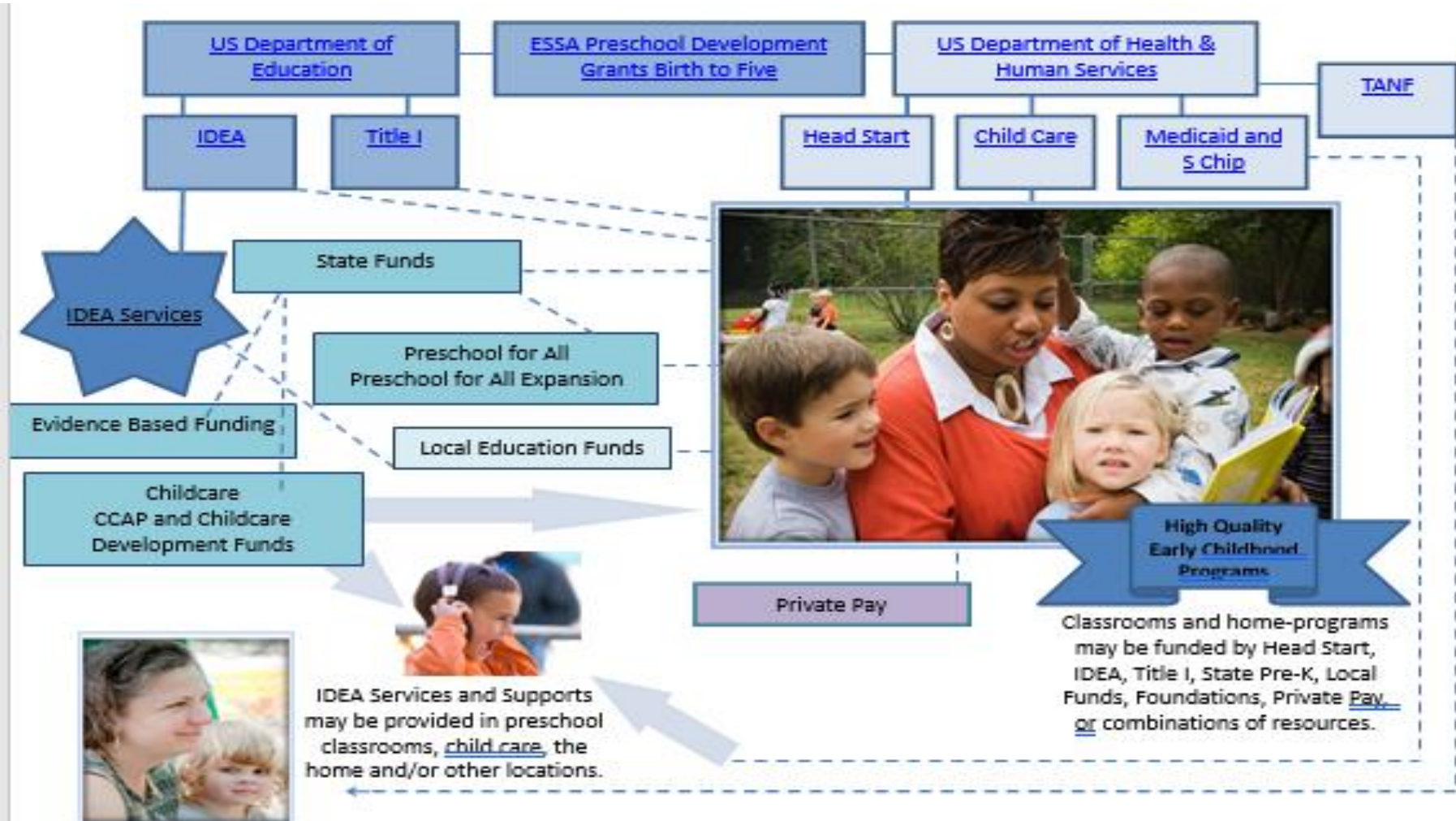


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Federal Fund Name	Description	Agency
IDEA	Established to provide grants to States to serve young children with disabilities, ages 3 through 5 years.	Education
Title 1	Title I districts may utilize Title I, part A funding to support preschool programs by providing supplemental academic support and learning opportunities to help children master challenging curricula and meet State standards in core academic subjects.	Education
Preschool Development Grants	Differs significantly from the previous Preschool Development Grants. Designed to fund states to conduct a comprehensive statewide birth through five needs assessment followed by in-depth strategic planning, while enhancing parent choice and expanding the current mixed delivery system consisting of a wide range of provider types and settings, including child care centers and home-based child care providers,	Education
Head Start	Head Start programs are free, federally funded programs designed to promote school readiness for children from low-income families. Head Start programs serve children between 3 and 5 years old. These programs encourage parent involvement through regular visits to the child's home, regular opportunities for parents to volunteer in the program, and special activities. Head Start also links children and families to other services in the community.	Health and Human Services
Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDF)	CCDF assists low-income families, families receiving temporary public assistance, and those transitioning from public assistance in obtaining child care so they can work or attend training/education.	Health and Human Services
Medicaid	Medicaid is a health insurance which pays for services for children, including preventive care, immunizations, screening and treatment of health conditions, doctor and hospital visits, and vision and dental care for families who are income eligible and/or children with disabilities.	Health and Human Services
Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)	to assist needy families with children so that children can be cared for in their own homes; reduce dependency by promoting job preparation, work, and marriage; reduce and prevent out-of-wedlock pregnancies; and to encourage the formation and maintenance of two-parent families.	Health and Human Services