Qualitative Criteria: Population to Be Served (30 Points)

Population to be Served

Please also see: RFP sections Qualitative Criteria and Proposal Narrative Requirements

		Meets Standard	
CRITERIA Statement of Need Proposal Narrative Requirements Section: Statement of Need Clearly indicates that the area to be served has a high number of children and families determined to be the most in need of the services as indicated by high levels of poverty, children experiencing homelessness	Does Not Meet Standard The Statement of Need proposal provides little, if any, data analysis to show need for prevention initiative services in the area including but not limited to: • Children and families do not appear at-risk or there are low numbers of previously unserved at-risk children and families; and	Meets Standard The Statement of Need proposal describes evidence of need for the prevention initiative program with data analysis. Characteristics of families and children related to: Rates of poverty, Rates of homelessness; Rates of youth in care.	The Statement of Need proposal provides detailed analysis of what meets the standard (3rd column) and strong evidence demonstrating the need in the community of the competitive preference priorities including: Highest Priority: High rates of children from families in door poverty.
children experiencing homelessness, youth in care, children with developmental delays, parent or caregivers without a high school diploma or equivalent, teen parents, families experiencing immigrant or refugee status, English learners, active duty military families or other need-related indicators, such as the school district's rate of dropouts, retention, truancy, teenage pregnancies and homeless students,	Community demographics do not indicate significant at-risk characteristics.	 Rates of children with developmental delays and disabilities; Additionally: Rates of parents without high school completion/No high school equivalent (no GED); Rates of teenage pregnancies; Rates of students experiencing homeless; 	families in deep poverty (50% FPL); • High rates of children experiencing homelessness; • High rates of youth in care/children in the child welfare system; • High rates of children with developmental delays and disabilities; Additional Priority Populations:
high rates of infant mortality, birth trauma, low birth weight or prematurity, and high rates of child abuse and neglect. The need must be based on current statistical, demographic, or descriptive information regarding the community in which the families and children reside.		 Rates of limited English proficiency; Rates of infant mortality, birth trauma, low birth weight or prematurity District rates of dropouts, retention, truancy; Rates of drug/alcohol abuse; Rates of parent survivors of domestic abuse and/or child abuse and neglect; 	 High rates of children from families in poverty (100% FPL); High rates of parent without high school completion/No high school equivalent (no GED); Teen parent at birth of first child; Family experiencing immigrant or refugee status;

Statewide Statistics

- Low income rate 2016: 49.9%;
- High school dropout rate 2016: 2%;
- Chronic truancy rate 2016: 9.8%;
- Mobility rate 2016: 12.2%;
- Limited English Proficient rate 2016: 10.5%;
- Annual average unemployment 2015: 5.9%;
 2016: N.A. yet
- Children birth to age five in poverty (FPL:100%) 2014:
 22.94%;
- Free and reduced lunch 2016: 49.9%:
- Child abuse rate 2015: 9.7 per 1,000;
- Teen birth rate (mothers under the age of 20) 2014:
 6.1%;
- Infant mortality rate 2014: 6.6 per 1,000; and
- Low birth weight babies (<2,500 grams) **2014: 8.2%.**

High rates of children from families in deep poverty (50% FPL): 10.47% (source: IECAM 2014 estimates; universe: children age 5 and under)

- Rates of illiteracy/educational level of parents;
- Rates of unemployment;
- Rates of special needs eligible siblings and/or primary caregivers.
- Proposal describes and provides any local at risk characteristics within the community that would impact children ages three to five and their families. Provides local statistics.
- Proposal describes how a process was completed to determine the need in relation to other services being provided in the community. Proposal describes how these services will meet needs not currently being met by other programs.
- Proposal adequately addresses how priority populations will be served within the community.

- Parent or caregiver primarily speaks a language other than English at home;
- Active duty military family;
- Child screening indicates delays in development but there is no referral to Early Intervention at this time.
- Proposal describes and provides any local at risk characteristics with high rates in the community that would impact children birth to age three and their families.
 Provides local statistics.
- Proposal provides a detailed description as to how competitive preference priority populations will be served within the community.

A high quality written proposal, that meets one or more of the components under the exemplary column, must be submitted to receive an exemplary score.

High rates of children experiencing homelessness: 1.84% (source: NCHE; homeless students enrolled in PK through gr 12 -SY 2014- 2015; universe: children age 3 through 18 (2014))		
High rates of youth in care/children in the child welfare system: 29.7 (rate per 1,000), 2015. Source: IDPH-DCFS, universe: children age 17 and under		
High rates of children with developmental delays and disabilities: 3.16% (EI FY2013); Source: IECAM; universe: children age 3 and under		
High rates of children from families in poverty (100% FPL): 22.94% (source: IECAM 2014 estimates; universe: children age 5 and under)		
High rates of parent without high school completion/No high school equivalent (no GED): 12.71% (source: IECAM 2014 estimates)		
Teen parent at birth of first child: 6.1% (2014, IDPH; universe: all births; teen births: births to teen age through 18)		

Family experiencing immigrant or refugee status: 2,658 (2015 number of refugee population from all origins in IL, source: office of refugee resettlement) Parent or caregiver primarily speaks a language other than English at home: 4.88% (source: IECAM 2014 estimates; universe: all households) Child screening indicates delays in development but there is no referral to Early Intervention at this time: 37.81% (source: Child Find; period: May-July 2016; sample: 5 CFCs (#1, 13, 15, 19, 25); universe: total screened)			
CRITERIA	Does Not Meet Standard	Meets Standard	Exemplary
Population to be Served	The Population to be Served	The Population to be Served	The Population to be Served
Proposal Narrative Requirements	proposal does not describe a plan to enroll eligible population to be served	proposal describes a plan to enroll the eligible population to be served	proposal explains, in detail, <u>all items</u> to meet the Standard (3 rd column)
Section: Population to be Served	by the early childhood initiatives or plan is inadequate.	by Prevention Initiative.	and the following:
The proposal clearly indicates that		Please provide the following	Multiple strategies to enroll
the area to be served has a high number of children and families	 Few families with children from birth to 3; 	information in the proposal: • Maximum number of families	the eligible population to be served by the early childhood
determined to be the most in need of	No procedure for outreach,	with children from birth to 3	initiative;
the services provided by the Early	identification and recruitment	experiencing multiple at risk	Strong evidence the program
Childhood Block Grant program, as	of families most at-risk.	factors are enrolled to the	as the capacity to implement
indicated by those children who because of their home and	The proposal does not address:	program;Procedures for outreach,	the plans, • Strong community
community environment are subject	address: O How the eligible	identification and recruitment	collaboration plan to be able
to such language, cultural, economic	population will be	of families most at-risk;	fill eligible program
and like disadvantages to cause	recruited;	Also, include:	enrollment slots;

them to have been determined as a result of screening procedures to be at risk of academic failure.

Criteria and indicators for identifying children and families who are eligible for the program are clearly established and likely to target those children and families most in need of services.

Effective recruitment strategies are proposed that are likely to ensure that the maximum number of eligible children and families are enrolled in the program.

- The geographic area to be served; or
- The estimated number of children/families to be enrolled.
- Proposal does not describe how these services will not duplicate services being provided by other programs;
- Proposal does not describe criteria and indicators or the description does not seem likely to ensure that it will:
 - Identify children and families who are eligible for the program; and
 - Target those children and families most in need of services.

- How the program will identify children and families who are eligible for the program (criteria and indicators);
- How will the program target those children and families most in need of services:
- How the eligible population will be recruited:
- The geographic area to be served; and
- The estimated number of children/families to be enrolled.
- The children and their families to be served have multiple at risk factors (including those from the following priority populations):
 - Children experiencing homelessness:
 - Youth in care/children in the child welfare system;
 - Children with developmental delays and disabilities;
 - Children from families in poverty (100% FPL):
 - Parent without high school

- A high percentage of families served are the highest priority populations:
 - High rates of children from families in deep poverty (50% FPL);
 - High rates of children experiencing homelessness;
 - High rates of youth in care/children in the child welfare system;
 - High rates of children with developmental delays and disabilities;

All other families have multiple at risk factors, including, but not limited to:

- High rates of children from families in poverty (100% FPL);
- High rates of parent without high school completion/No high school equivalent (no GED);
- Teen parent at birth of first child:
- Family experiencing immigrant or refugee status;
- Parent or caregiver primarily speaks a language other than English at home;
- Active duty military family;
- Child screening indicates delays in

		completion/No high school equivalent (no GED); Teen parent at birth of first child; Family experiencing immigrant or refugee status; Parent or caregiver primarily speaks a language other than English at home; Active duty military family; Child screening indicates delays in development but there is no referral to Early Intervention at this time. Describe the process that was used to determine the need for the program in the community in relation to other similar services that may be operating in the same geographic area; this description must list, to the extent known, the other services offered and an estimate of the number of children being served. Proposal describes how these services will meet needs not currently being met by other programs.	development but there is no referral to Early Intervention at this time. A high quality written proposal, that meets one or more of the components under the exemplary column, must be submitted to receive an exemplary score.
Population to be Served Total Points Possible: 30	Possible Score: 0-18	Possible Score: 19-26	Possible Score: 27-30

Include comments that validate the score you have awarded this proposal.			
Special Notes:			
Strengths:			
Concerns:			
Total Points Possible: 30	Readers Score:		

Qualitative Criteria: Quality of Proposed Program (40 Points)

- 1. Screening Process to Identify Eligible Participants Who Are at Risk
- 2. Evidence-Based Program Model and Research-Based Curricula
 - 3. Developmental Monitoring
 - 4. Individual Family Goal Plan
 - 5. Case Management Services
 - 6. Family and Community Partnerships
 - 7. Data Collection and Evaluation

Please also see: RFP sections Qualitative Criteria and Proposal Narrative Requirements

Component Number 1: Screening Process to Identify Eligible Participants Who are at Risk

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CRITERIA	DOES NOT Meet Standard	MEETS STANDARD	EXEMPLARY
Screening for Eligibility Proposal Narrative Requirements	The Screening for Eligibility proposal does not describe procedures to be used in a parent interview.	The Screening for Eligibility proposal describes the procedures to be used to screen children and their	The Screening for Eligibility proposal explains, in detail, <u>all the</u> items to meet the standard (3 rd column)
Section: Screening Process to Identify Eligible Participants Who Are at Risk	For children 3 months of age and older, proposal does not describe the criteria to determine at what point	families to determine their need for services and ensure that the program will serve those children and families	and the following: The parent interview, which also
Illinois' neediest children will be identified and served.	performance on an approved screening instrument indicates children are at risk of academic failure. Required areas (as appropriate for age) not addressed:	most in need. The proposal describes the policies and procedures to be used during and	includes:Parent's age;Marital status;Living arrangements;
The proposed program and activities regarding screening for eligibility will sufficiently meet the identified needs of the population to be served. The screening procedures will be designed to identify those children and families most in need of Prevention Initiative services that will enhance child development, parent effectiveness and, ultimately,	 Vocabulary Visual-motor integration Language and speech development English proficiency Fine and gross motor skills Social skills Emotional development Cognitive development Proposal shows screening is 	after screening for eligibility. These procedures include: • A parent interview that is conducted in the parents' home/native language, if necessary, and: • A summary of the child's health history and status, including whether the child has an existing disability,	 Child identified as youth in care; US citizen status; Military family; Child's prenatal history; Number of Children in the Household; Number of people in the household; Availability of experiences with other children similar in age
school readiness.	planned once during the program year	and social development; and	Involvement in other early childhood programs

For the purpose of Prevention Initiative "at risk" is defined as those children who because of their home and community environment are subject to such language, cultural, economic and like disadvantages to cause them to have been determined as a result of screening procedures to be at risk of academic failure.

and/or other entities involved are not named.

Proposal does not indicate that written parental permission will be obtained.

Proposal does not indicate that Prevention Initiative program provider(s) will be included in screening process.

- Information about the parent's income and other information, such as age, educational achievement, employment history, and home language.
- For children 3 months of age and older, the proposal describes the criteria to determine the point at which performance on a published, research-based developmental screening instrument indicates children are at risk of academic failure and includes the required domain areas (as appropriate for age): vocabulary, visual-motor integration, language and speech development, English proficiency, fine and gross motor skills, social skills, emotional and cognitive development.
- For children 3 months or older a vision and hearing screening using the child's developmental screening instrument.
- Weighted eligibility form and the procedures for implementation are described.
- The weighted eligibility form includes the following risk factors:

Highest priority:

 High rates of children from families in deep poverty (50% FPL);

- Number of School-aged Siblings experiencing academic difficulty
- Food security
- Domestic violence or child abuse or neglect exposure;
- And other information that would help identify the needs of the family;
- Provisions to screen in the child's native language are available:
- Identification of the use of a translator to conduct the parent interview in the parent's home language (if applicable).

The proposal describes, screenings, as a collaborative effort, among Child Find, Early Intervention, Early Head Start, public schools, licensed child care providers, and special education, etc. The proposal explains, in detail:

- Lists community partners;
- Risk factors used for eligibility are agreed upon by all partners;
- Screenings are planned and carried out in collaboration and coordination with others in the collaborative;
- Describe MOU.

Child vision and hearing screenings will be completed with more precise and effective screening procedures:

> Procedures for collecting each child's Vision screening results from each child's physician or

 High rates of children experiencing homelessness; High rates of youth in care/children in the child welfare system; High rates of children with developmental delays and disabilities; Additional Priority Populations: High rates of children from families in poverty (100% FPL); High rates of parent without high school completion/No high school equivalent (no GED); Teen parent at birth of first child; Family experiencing immigrant or refugee status; Parent or caregiver primarily speaks a language other than English at home; Active duty military family; Child screening indicates delays in development but there is no referral to Early 	medical home when a child is six (6) months and annually thereafter; • Procedures for completing hearing screens (Hearing screens using an objective measure of hearing sensitivity are to be completed when each child is six (6) months, then annually thereafter.); A high quality written proposal, that meets one or more of the components under the exemplary column, must be submitted to receive an exemplary score.
child; Family experiencing immigrant or refugee status; Parent or caregiver primarily speaks a language other than English at home; Active duty military family; Child screening indicates delays in development but	•
The proposal clearly describes the criteria for eligibility. The weighted eligibility criteria used to prioritize children who are at most risk of academic failure. These are competitive preference priorities. Additional risk factors selected should reflect the community to be served and are weighted to ensure that the children most at risk of academic failure are enrolled.	

		The proposal describes the information the program will collect or review, including but not limited to: proof of family income to determine eligibility (below 200% FPL) and priority points (50% or 100% of FPL).	
		Proposal provides a proposed schedule of screenings in the area to be served and indicates other entities that are involved.	
		Proposal indicates that written parental permission for the screening will be obtained.	
		Proposal describes procedures to include Prevention Initiative program staff in screening process and make results available to them.	
		Describe the written policies and procedures that guide staff through the screening process.	
Inc	lude comments that validate the	score you have awarded this pro	posal.
Special Notes:			
Strengths:			
Concerns:			

Component Number 2: Research-Based Program Model and Research-Based Curricula

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CRITERIA	DOES NOT Meet Standard	MEETS STANDARD	EXEMPLARY
Research-Based Program Model &	The Research-Based Program Model	The Research-Based Program Model	The Research-Based Program Model
Curriculum for Parent Education	& Curriculum for Parent Education	& Curriculum for Parent Education	& Curriculum for Parent Education
	proposal does not include evidence	proposal provides a description of the	proposal explains, in detail, all the
Proposal Narrative Requirements	that the program is built upon effective	services and programming planned to	items to meet the standard (3rd
Section: Research-Based Program	research about Prevention Initiative	be implemented with fidelity to the	column) and the following:
Model & Curriculum for Parent	services or that it is aligned with the	evidence-based program model and	
Education	Illinois Birth to Three Program	compliance to ISBE requirements.	Home Visiting, Center-Based and
	Standards or the Illinois Early		Family Literacy programs include:
Families will receive intensive,	Learning Guidelines.	Home Visiting, Center-Based and	
research-based, and comprehensive		Family Literacy programs include:	The proposal provides a detailed
prevention services.	Home Visiting, Center-Based and		description of year-round scheduling
	Family Literacy programs do not	The proposal describes the program	of programmatic activities that are of
The proposed program and activities	meet any of the following	and activities that will be implemented	sufficient intensity and duration to
will sufficiently meet the identified	component requirements.	to sufficiently meet the identified	make sustainable changes in a family
needs of the population to be served		needs of the population to be served	including:
and include child and parent activities	Proposal fails to include parent	and the child and parent activities	 Year-Round programming
designed to enhance child	activities, child activities, or parent-	designed to enhance child	defined as PI funded
development, parent effectiveness	child interactive activities to teach	development, parent effectiveness	programming 12 months of
and, ultimately, school readiness. The	parents new ways of supporting and	and, ultimately, school readiness. The	the year as defined by the
proposed program is built upon	enhancing their children's	proposal addresses how the program	program model when
effective research about prevention	development.	is built upon effective research about	implemented with fidelity;
services and aligned to the Illinois		prevention services and is aligned to	 The school district/agency
Birth to Five Program Standards and	Scheduling for programmatic activities	the Illinois Birth to Five Program	implements one program
Illinois Early Learning Guidelines, as	is not intensive or flexible to meet	Standards and Illinois Early Learning	model for parents education
applicable.	family needs.	Guidelines, as applicable.	(BT, EHS, HFA, PAT) or can
			explain how two program
Possible Prevention Initiative Program	Proposal does not describe the	The proposal identifies:	models would be more
types:	location of programming.	 Prevention Initiative 	economically and
Home Visiting		framework(s);	programmatically efficient;
Center-Based	Proposal does not adequately	 Home Visiting 	 The program offers
 Family Literacy 	describe the services to be offered	o Center-Based	continuous programming for
	(home visits and groups).	 Family Literacy 	children and their families
Examples of existing PI research-			from the prenatal period to
based Program Models for parent	Parent fees are charged with no	Research-Based program	age three;

model for parent education;

explanation and/or no reimbursement

plan for transportation and child care

is described.

education currently being

Baby TALK

implemented in Illinois include:

most at risk factors as defined

by the competitive preference

Families served have the

- Healthy Families America
- Parents as Teachers (PAT)

Research-Based Curricula aligned with the Birth to Five Program Standards and the Illinois Early Learning Guidelines (IELG alignments can be found on the Illinois Early Learning Project webpage.)

Examples of Supplemental Services include, but are not limited to:

- Doula Services
- Fussy Baby Network ®
- Touchpoints ™
- Abriendo Puertas/Opening <u>Doors</u>

For more information, also download:

- Illinois Birth to Five Program Standards
- Illinois Early Learning Guidelines
- <u>Prevention Initiative</u>
 <u>Compliance Checklist</u> (PICC).
- <u>Prevention Initiative</u>
 <u>Implementation Manual</u>

Proposal does not indicate that a research-based curriculum aligned with the Illinois Birth to Three Program Standards and Illinois Early Learning Guidelines will be used for both parent-centered education and if applicable child-centered education.

Proposal fails to describe how the eight designated areas of education will be addressed:

- Child growth and development, including prenatal development;
- Childbirth and childcare
- Child safety and injury prevention;
- Family structure, function, and management;
- Prenatal and postnatal care for mother and infants
- Prevention of child abuse
- Interpersonal and family relationships including physical, mental, emotional, social, economic, psychological; and
- Parenting skills development.

Center-Based and Family Literacy Programs do not include:

Proposal <u>does not</u> indicate that the Center-Based or Family Literacy program meets all the criteria listed below:

ExceleRate Illinois Quality
Recognition and Improvement
System (QRIS) Silver or Gold
Circle of Quality.

- Research-based curriculum chosen for parent education and if applicable the chosen child centered curriculum (All curricula chosen must be aligned with the Illinois Early Learning Guidelines and the Birth to Five Program Standards.); and
- Supplemental Services or Curricula (if applicable) describes how the supplemental services align with the identified program model for parent education and the IELGs and are integrated into the ISBE funded home visiting or center-based program.
- The program has thoroughly planned for and is ready to implement the supplemental service.

The proposal addresses the following:

- Description of how the program plans to ensure adherence to the selected program model for parent education;
- Description of how the program is aligned with the Illinois Birth to Five Program Standards;
- If a program model, other than Baby TALK, Healthy Families America, or Parents as Teachers is selected then the proposal provides specific

- priorities and most families served are provided intensive services, as defined by weekly home visits;
- Schedules include evenings, weekends and summer programming;
- Most or all home visits are provided in the family's home;
- Description of how the program fosters social connections between families with young children;
- Transition from the PI program to a 3 to 5 program will begin when the child is 2 years, 6 months;
- Description of how the program provides PI services to both mothers and fathers equally, as applicable;
- Description of how the program will ensure there is a comprehensive and holistic approach to development and the program promotes and supports support all domains of the IELGs;
- Description of how the program specially supports literacy with both children and adults (as applicable); and
- The program is aligned with the birth-through-third grade continuum of services.

Proposal provides a detailed description of program's experience in providing parent activities, parentchild activities, and child activities (if

- All center-based programs must maintain at least ExceleRate Gold Circle of Quality for adult/child ratios.
- All of the licensing standards of the <u>Illinois Department of</u> <u>Children and Family Services</u> for center-based child care.
- Implements an evidencebased program model for parent/family education (as described above, home visiting).
- Implements a research-based child-centered curriculum.
- Implements a research-based parent/family-centered curriculum.
- The program must provide either a snack, in the case of a half-day program, or a meal, in the case of a full-day program, for participating children. The program will provide food service as applicable.
 - Food and beverages provided in program located in a school district attendance center shall meet the U.S. Department of Agriculture's competitive food standards set forth at 7 CRF 210.11 (2013).
 - Food and beverages provided in programs located in a licensed child care center or

- references to the research that supports the types of services and strategies to be implemented; and
- Relevant policies and procedures related to the program model and curricula.

Proposal describes how the parent activities and parent-child interactive activities will enhance the parent's ability to support their child's development and how the child activities will support child growth and development.

Proposal describes scheduling of programmatic activities that are of sufficient intensity and duration to make sustainable changes in a family including:

- Year-round programming is preferred
- Partial-Year programming defined as PI funded programming provided less than 12 months of the year as defined by the program model when implemented with fidelity (Why? What services will be offered during limited months of service? Duration of limited months of services? What months will limited services be offered?);
- Number, frequency, and duration of home visits;
- Number, frequency, and duration of groups (minimum monthly, may be parent-child

applicable) and the activities the program plans to implement which include:

- Integrated and individualized parent-child activities that focus on supporting parents as they learn new ways of supporting and enhancing their children's development;
- Needs of children of varying abilities and diverse backgrounds are addressed including services delivered in the family's native language;
- Various strategies are planned to meet the needs of a diverse population of children and families.

Supplemental Programming:

 The program has the education and experience, as well as, the capacity, community collaborations, and program size to implement the supplemental service.

Proposal describes, in detail, how the eight designated areas of education are comprehensive and integrated into all aspects of programming.

- Child growth and development, including prenatal development;
- Childbirth and childcare;
- Child safety and injury prevention;
- Family structure, function, and management;

other community setting shall meet DCFS' standards set forth at 89 III. Adm. Code 407.330 (Nutrition and Meal Service).

And when applicable,

- Early Head Start
- Accesses <u>Illinois Department</u>
 <u>of Human Services Child</u>
 <u>Care Assistance Program</u>
 (CCAP) funding for child care services.

Family Literacy Program does not describe how the program will access funds to provide alternative adult education.

- interactions or parent workshops);
- A schedule of program activities is provided at least quarterly;
- A description of the steps to be taken to encourage families to participate regularly and remain in the Prevention Initiative program;
- A description of the toy/book lending library;
- A description of the parent lending library;
- A description of the newsletter components; and
- Technology is only used for parent education.

Proposal describes the policies and procedures that guide PI programming, including but not limited to:

- Home visits and groups;
- An emergent literacy focus is observable in the activities, materials, and environment planned for the child. (Birth to Five Program Standard II.B.5)
- Ensuring there are no parent fees; and
- Reimbursement for transportation or child care to enable participation in parent activities (if applicable).

Proposal describes how these eight designated areas of education are addressed:

- Prenatal and postnatal care for mother and infants;
- Prevention of child abuse; and
- Interpersonal and family relationships including physical, mental, emotional, social, economic, psychological, parenting skills development.
- Parenting skill development

A high quality written proposal, that meets one or more of the components under the exemplary column, must be submitted to receive an exemplary score.

Center-Based and Family Literacy Programs include:

The proposal provides a detailed description of how the program uses PI funding to provide 2 ½ - 5 hours of center-based services and increases the quality of child care center-based services to children, including but not limited to:

- Employing a more qualified teacher and assistant;
- Providing comprehensive wrap around services to children and families enrolled in the PI Program;
- Implementing Research-Based Curricula (parentcentered and child-centered);
- Implementing a Research-Based Assessment (childcentered);

 Child growth and development, including prenatal development; Childbirth and childcare; Child safety and injury prevention; Family structure, function, and management; Prenatal and postnatal care for mother and infants; Prevention of child abuse; and Interpersonal and family relationships including physical, mental, emotional, social, economic, psychological, parenting skills development. Parenting skill development 	Obtaining additional professional development to maintain ExceleRate Illinois Silver or Gold Circle of Quality. A high quality written proposal, that meets one or more of the components under the exemplary column, must be submitted to receive an exemplary score.
Center-Based and Family Literacy Programs include: Proposal adequately indicates center- based or Family Literacy and describes how the program meets all the criteria listed below: • ExceleRate Illinois Quality Recognition and Improvement System (QRIS) Silver or Gold Circle of Quality. • All center-based programs must maintain at least ExceleRate Gold Circle of Quality for adult/child ratios. • All of the licensing standards of the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services for center-based child care.	

Implements an evidence-based program model for parent/family education (as described above, home visiting). Implements a research-based child-centered curriculum. Implements a research-based parent/family-centered curriculum. The program must provide either a snack, in the case of a half-day program, or a meal, in the case of a lill-day program, for participating children. The program will provide food service as applicable. Food and beverages provided in programs located in a licensed child care center or other community setting shall meet DCFS' standards set forth at 89 III. Adm. Code 407.330 (Nutrition and Meal Service).
And when applicable, • Early Head Start
Also, the program: • Has the ability to access the Illinois Department of Human Services Child Care Assistance Program (CCAP) funding for child care services, as applicable;

Provides daily schedules;
Provides the number of hours
per day and days per week
the program will operate (2 ½
- 5 Hours, 5 days a week);
Provides classroom locations.
Center-Based Staff Qualification:
Director Credentials: Principal
Endorsement or Gateways to
Opportunity Illinois Director
Credential Level II or higher.
Teacher Credentials: Early
Childhood Professional
Educator License (PEL)
Teaching Endorsement
(Validity/Age Range: Self-
contained general education
from birth to grade 3) or a
Gateways to Opportunity
Infant Toddler Credential
Level 5 or an Early Childhood
Education Credential Level 5.
Other classroom staff are
required to hold a Gateways
to Opportunity Early
Childhood Education
Credential Level 4.
All personnel must meet
Department of Children and
Family Services licensing
requirements set forth in the
Illinois Administrative Code
Title 89: Social Services
Chapter III: Department of
Children and Family Services
Subchapter e: Requirements
for Licensure Part 407
Licensing Standards for Day
Care Centers

	Parent Education Staff Staff must meet the requirements of the chosen home visiting program model. Family Literacy Programs include: Proposal adequately indicates Family Literacy and describes how the program meets the criteria listed below: Accesses funds to provide alternative adult education.
Include	comments that validate the score you have awarded this proposal.
Special Notes:	
Strengths:	
Concerns:	

Component Number 3: Developmental Monitoring

CRITERIA	DOES NOT Meet Standard	MEETS STANDARD	EXEMPLARY
Developmental Monitoring	The Developmental Monitoring	The Developmental Monitoring	The Developmental Monitoring
	proposal does not describe the	Proposal provides a description of	proposal explains, in detail, all the
Proposal Narrative Requirements	method or sources of information that	proposed developmental monitoring	items to meet the standard (3rd
Section: Developmental Monitoring	will be used to regularly monitor	procedures to be used by the	<i>column)</i> and the following:
	children's development to inform	program.	
Children's developmental progress	instruction.		 Child's health history (which
will be regularly monitored to inform		The proposal adequately describes	includes well child visits and
instruction and to ensure identification		both the methods and the sources of	immunizations) is completed
		information that will be used to	, ,

of any developmental delays or disabilities.

The proposed program and activities will sufficiently meet the identified needs of the population to be served and include child and parent activities designed to enhance child development, parent effectiveness and, ultimately, school readiness.

Examples of broad-based screening instruments for children birth to age three:

- Ages & Stages Questionnaire
 ® http://agesandstages.com/
- Battelle Developmental Inventory ™ http://www.riversidepublishing .com/products/bdi2/
- Brigance ® Early Childhood Screens III http://www.curriculumassociat es.com/products/brigance-early-childhood.aspx

Proposal does not describe how the child's development will be communicated to parents.

regularly monitor children's development to inform instruction and the Individual Family Goal Plan. The proposal describes how the program will communicate with parents about their child's development.

The proposal describes the policies and procedures to implemented for developmental monitoring. These procedures include:

- Developmental screening (as appropriate for the age of the child), include:
 - Vocabulary;
 - Visual-motor integration;
 - Language and speech development;
 - English proficiency;
 - Fine and gross motor skills:
 - Social skills;
 - Emotional development; and
 - Cognitive development.
- The proposal describes how developmental and/or educational progress is assessed and documented to ensure that the program meets the needs of the child and provides a system whereby that child's parents are routinely advised of their child's progress.
- The research-based tool and procedures to assess progress must align with the

- at screening (if applicable) then annually thereafter;
- The program collects each child's Vision screening results from each child's physician or medical home when a child is six (6) months and annually thereafter.
- The program has procedures for completing hearing screens using an objective measure of hearing sensitivity and are completed when each child is six (6) months, then annually thereafter;
- The program has procedures to regularly engage in conversations with each family regarding their child's health, including hearing and vision, and provide referrals as applicable.
- Describe the forms of Authentic Assessment being implemented and how the information is shared with parents.

parents.
☐ Checklists;
☐ Observation notes;
☐ Interviews;
☐ Rating scales;
☐ Case notes;
☐ Portfolios
☐ Photos with text
descriptions; and

☐ Video/Audio recordings

Illinois Early Learning	with text descriptions.
 Guidelines. Research-based screening instrument(s) used for child developmental monitoring for every child three months or older then every six months thereafter; Referral and follow-up procedures to the local Child and Family Connections when diagnostic assessment is indicated; Vision and hearing screening using the child's developmental screening instrument for every child three months or older then every six months thereafter; Child's health history (which includes well child visits and immunizations) is completed (if applicable) near the time of screening then annually thereafter; Program communicates all screening results to parents; and Program partners with parents to observe the child's development. 	Describe the procedures to utilize authentic assessment to guide education and the Individual Family Goal Plan, as applicable. Program partners with parents to observe the child's development and collaboratively develops home visiting plans, and when applicable, group activities. A high quality written proposal, that meets one or more of the components under the exemplary column, must be submitted to receive an exemplary score.
Also,	
 Describe the research-based 	
tool the program will implement to assess the	
parent and child interactions	
and state how often it will be	
implemented (at least twice	
within the fiscal year).	

		 Describe the procedures the program will implement to utilize the information gathered to guide education and the Individual Family Goal Plan, as applicable; Program communicates all screening results to parents. 	
Includ	de comments that validate the se	core you have awarded this prop	posal.
Special Notes:			
Strengths:			
Concerns:			

Component Number 4: Individual Family Goal Plan

CRITERIA	DOES NOT Meet Standard	MEETS STANDARD	EXEMPLARY
Individual Family Goal Plan	The Individual Family Goal Plan	The Individual Family Goal Plan	The Individual Family Goal Plan
	proposal describes inadequate or	(IFGP) proposal provides a description	(IFGP) proposal explains, in detail, all
Proposal Narrative Requirements	minimal procedures for the	of the proposed Individual Family Goal	the items to meet the standard (3rd
Section: Individual Family Goal Plan	development of individual family goal	Plan procedures to be used by the	column) and the following:
	plans.	program.	
Families will receive services that			 The FCA includes information
address their identified goals,		The IFGP processes include the	regarding parenting, family
strengths, and needs. The program		following.	relationships, education and
partners with parents to develop an		 Describe the policies and 	employment, health and
Individual Family Goal Plan.		procedures that guide	access to insurance and
•		implementation of an IFGP	medical care, food security,
The proposed program and activities		and Family Centered	and housing stability;
will sufficiently meet the identified		Assessment;	

Include comments that validate the score you have awarded this proposal.	needs of the population to be served and include child and parent activities designed to enhance child development, parent effectiveness and, ultimately, school readiness. • The FCA is initiated within 60 days of enrollment and is updated at least every six months: • The program provides a clear description of the components of the IFGP; and the development of the IFGP; and the days of enrollment and updated at least every six months: • The program involves parents in the development of the IFGP; and the days of enrollment and updated at least every six months. • The IFGP is initiated within 60 days of enrollment and updated at least every six months. • The IFGP is initiated within 60 days of enrollment and updated at least every six months. • The program explains how it will, when applicable, collaborate with other early childhood providers the family is receiving services; or the strategies used to engage families in making decisions about their goals and the development of the IFGP; and
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Special Notes:	
Strengths:	
Concerns:	

Concerns:			
Component Number 5	5: Case Management Service	es MEETS STANDARD	EXEMPLARY
Case Management Services	The Case Management Services	The Case Management Services	The Case Management Services
	proposal does not indicate that the	proposal provides a description of the	proposal explains, in detail, <u>all the</u>
Proposal Narrative Requirements	program will ensure coordination	proposed case management services	items to meet the standard (3rd
Section: Case Management Services	between the individual family goal	to be provided by the program	column) and the following:
	plan and any other service plans that		
Families will receive comprehensive,	other community service providers	The proposal describes how the	Transition services will begin
integrated, and continuous support	have developed with/for the family.	program will provide families with	when children are 2 years, 6
services through a seamless and		access to comprehensive services.	months;
unduplicated system.	The proposal does not indicate how	The property of the property of	Description of the
The managed and managed and a C 20 cm	the program will provide families with	The proposal provides the process for	ticollaboration agreements
The proposed program and activities	access to comprehensive services.	ensuring coordination between the	with Early Intervention, Child
will sufficiently meet the identified	The proposal does not describe to	individual family goal plan and any	and Family Connections, and
needs of the population to be served	The proposal does not describe a	other service plans that other	Special Education services,
and include child and parent activities	system for referring families to other	community service providers have	Description of how the
designed to enhance child	service providers and following up on these referrals.	developed with/for the family.	program will provide families
development, parent effectiveness	ulese relettais.	The proposal describes the	with access to
and, ultimately, school readiness.	The proposal does not describe how	The proposal describes the	comprehensive physical and
Examples of community programs:	The proposal does not describe how the program collaborates with other	procedures to be implemented to ensure quality case management	mental health, educational,
Examples of community programs:	providers in the service area to	services are provided. The proposal	social and recreational
PrekindergartenHead Start	reduce duplication of services.	includes:	services for families through
	Todaco dupiloation of services.	 Description of the policies 	collaborations with many
Early Head Start Farly Intervention and Child		and procedures that guide	other service providers;
Early Intervention and Child and Family Connections		and procedures that guide	Description of how the program participates in
and Family Connections			program participates in

- Early Childhood Special Education
- Public and Private community-based early care and education programs (e.g., child care centers, nursery schools, library programs, park district programs, church-based programs, and Title I)
- English Learner programs
- Health and Human Services programs targeting young children and their families (e.g., WIC, Family Case Management, etc.)

- implementation of case management services;
- Description of referral system and transition plans into and out of the program;
- Description of the referral and follow-up system of the program to community resources (if the community has a different referral and follow-up system explain how the program coordinates referral and follow-up efforts);
- Description of how the program provides transition services for children and families:
- Description of how the program partners will work with families to develop written transition plans and implement them;
- Explanation of how the program works with other providers in the service area to reduce or eliminate duplication of services;
- Description of how the program works with other service providers in the service area to coordinate Individual Family Goal Plans;
- List of Collaboration and/or MOU agreements with other service providers in the service area and a brief description of the purpose of the collaboration/coordination efforts;

- locally-driven data collection efforts.
- Description of how the program participates in collaboration efforts to minimize barriers to services for families with children birth to age five.
- The program describes the collaboration efforts to coordinate with other programs in the service area to align the birth-through-third grade continuum of services.

A high quality written proposal, that meets one or more of the components under the exemplary column, must be submitted to receive an exemplary score.

	The program will list the community partners they coordinate with to address the following issues: referral and follow-up, reduce duplication of services, and coordinate Individual Family Goal Plans (as applicable).
Include comments that validate	e the score you have awarded this proposal.
Special Notes:	
Strengths:	
Concerns:	

Component Number 6: Family & Community Partnerships

CRITERIA	DOES NOT Meet Standard	MEETS STANDARD	EXEMPLARY
Family & Community Partnerships	The Family & Community	The Family & Community	The Family & Community
	Partnerships proposal does not	Partnerships proposal provides a	Partnerships proposal explains, in
Proposal Narrative Requirements	adequately describe the family	description of the proposed family and	detail, <i>all the items to meet the</i>
Section: Family and Community	engagement plan or the community	community engagement plan.	standard (3rd column) and the
Partnerships	collaboration plan.		following:
		The family engagement plan includes	
Families will be engaged in the	The family engagement plan does not	proposed program activities and	 Communication between the
program, and community systems for	include proposed program activities	opportunities that are aligned with the	program and family is regular,
infants and toddlers will be	and opportunities that are aligned with	Illinois Birth to Five Program	two-way and meaningful;
strengthened.	the Illinois Birth to Five Program	Standards and the Illinois Early	 How parenting skills are
	Standards, Illinois Early Learning	Learning Guideline and the research-	promoted and supported;
	Guidelines and the research-based	based program model. The plan	

The proposed program and activities will sufficiently meet the identified needs of the population to be served including child and parent activities designed to enhance child development and parent effectiveness and, ultimately, school readiness.

The program proposal provides a description of a family and community engagement plan that clearly and effectively guides the implementation of programming.

The program proposal provides a description of a community collaboration plan for effective linkages between parents and providers of education, welfare, health, and safety services.

program model. The plan does not engage children and families long enough to make sustainable changes in the family.

The community collaboration plan does not provide for effective linkages between parents and providers of education, welfare, health, and safety services.

engages children and families long enough to make sustainable changes in the family. Describe the following:

- Written and verbal orientation to the educational program;
- Opportunities for engagement in home-based and/or sitebased activities;
- Intensity of the activities and services offered, including home visits, groups, and case management;
- Provision for communication to and from parents about the program;
- Comprehensive written
 Planned Language Approach
 (a coordinated, systems,
 program wide approach to
 supporting the school
 readiness of all children
 served);
- Refer and follow-up with families obtaining additional services or leaving the program;
- Provision for promoting and supporting parenting skills;
- Activities that emphasize and strengthen the role of the parent(s) as the child's primary educator;
- Provision for seeking parents support and engagement in the program; and
- Ensuring parents are full partners in the decisions that affect children and families.

- Recognition of how parents play an integral role in assisting student learning;
- How parents are welcome in the program, and their support and involvement are sought;
- How parents are full partners in the decisions that affect children and families.
- Program mission statement and values.
- Program approach and/or philosophy concerning programming and services.
- How the program's mission statement, values, and/or approach/philosophy emphasize the promotion of the parent as the child's primary educator.
- The strategies that are to be implemented to maintain alignment with the program mission, values, and/or approach/philosophy.
- Agreements made with Head Start, Early Head Start and other providers in the service area to coordinate on issues concerned with the education, welfare, health and safety needs of children (prenatally and birth through age three); and
- Local community systems development efforts, including, but not limited to, participating in locally-driven data collection efforts and

	The community collaboration plan aligns with the Illinois Birth to Five Program Standards. Describe the following: • Coordinating with other service providers, within the same service area, concerned with the education, welfare, health and safety needs of children (prenatally and birth through 3rd grade/8 years old); • Coordinating with other early childhood providers, to include, but not limited to, a system for making referrals and providing follow-up, and how case management services will be used; • Reducing duplication of services; and • Coordinating Individual Family Goal or Service Plans.	participating in the local efforts to minimize barriers to services for families with children from birth to five. A high quality written proposal, that meets one or more of the components under the exemplary column, must be submitted to receive an exemplary score.
Include comments that	nt validate the score you have awarded this prop	posal.
Special Notes:		
Strengths:		
Concerns:		

Component Number 7: Data Collection and Evaluation

CRITERIA	DOES NOT Meet Standard	MEETS STANDARD	EXEMPLARY
Data Collection and Evaluation Proposal Narrative Requirements Section: Data Collection and Evaluation The evaluation will provide critical data and information that is used for continuous program improvement. The evaluation strategies include measurable outcomes for children and families that are designed to effectively gauge the success of the program and yield sufficient data that can be used to improve the program.	The Evaluation proposal is an inadequate plan that does not evaluate progress toward successful implementation of the research-based program model and the Birth to Five Program Standards. The plan is not used to inform continuous program improvement.	The Evaluation proposal provides an adequate description of the proposed process for data collection and evaluation. The proposal describes a plan for evaluation which includes a description of: • A written framework that explains the program's processes for evaluation and continuous quality improvement; • Framework provides data and information to be collected and the measures, methods, and processes to be used to evaluate all Prevention Initiative components (1-9); • Self-assessment procedures to be used; • Processes used to determine progress that children and families are making toward their goals; • Process by which the evaluation will be used to inform continuous program improvement.	The Evaluation proposal explains, in detail, all the items to meet the standard (3 rd column) and the following: • The proposal describes a comprehensive and detailed plan for a rigorous, objective, ongoing evaluation of the program and staff; • Self-assessment includes an opportunity for involving staff, parents, and community stakeholders; • Process and measurable outcomes used to determine whether progress is being made toward successful implementation of the program model and the Illinois Birth to Three Program Standards; • Process and measurable outcomes used to determine progress that children and families are making toward their goals; • Plan to monitor children's development using
		their goals;Process by which the evaluation will be used to inform continuous program	progress that children and families are making toward their goals;Plan to monitor children's

		program would like to strengthen;	and staff are making toward goals; • Process for sharing the results with the program staff, program participants, and the community. A high quality written proposal, that meets one or more of the components under the exemplary column, must be submitted to receive an exemplary score.
Includ	e comments that validate the se	core you have awarded this pro	posal.
Special Notes:			
Strengths:			
Concerns:			
Scoring: Quality of Pro	oposed Program		
 Quality of Proposed Program Screening Process to Identify Eligible Participants Who Are at Risk Evidence-Based Program Model and Research-Based Curricula Developmental Monitoring Individual Family Goal Plan Case Management Services 	Possible Score: 0-24	Possible Score: 25-35	Possible Score: 36-40

 Family and Community Partnership 			
Data Collection and			
Evaluation			
Total Points Possible: 40			
Includ	e comments that validate the se	core you have awarded this pro	posal.
Special Notes:			
Strengths:			
Concerns:			
Total Points Possible: 40		Readers Score:	

Qualitative Criteria: Experience and Qualifications (20 Points)

7. Staff Qualifications and Organizational Capacity

8. Professional Development

Please also see: RFP sections Qualitative Criteria and Proposal Narrative Requirements

Component Number 8: Staff Qualifications and Organizational Capacity

CRITERIA	DOES NOT Meet Standard	MEETS STANDARD	EXEMPLARY
Qualified Staff and Organizational	The Qualified Staff and	The Staff Qualifications and	The Staff Qualifications and
Capacity	Organizational Capacity proposal	Organizational Capacity proposal	Organizational Capacity proposal
	does not provide enough information	provides a description of the	explains, in detail, all the items to
Proposal Narrative Requirements	to determine if staff hold the	proposed personnel to be employed	meet the standard (3 rd column) and
Section: Qualified Staff and	appropriate certifications and/or	and the organizations capacity to	the following:
Organizational Capacity	licenses for their positions and have	implement a quality program.	
	the qualifications and experience		

Staff will have the knowledge and skills needed to create partnerships with families to support the development of infants and children.

The proposed program and activities will sufficiently meet the identified needs of the population to be served and include child and parent activities designed to enhance child development and parent effectiveness and, ultimately, school readiness.

Proposed personnel/staff hold the appropriate certifications and/or licenses for their positions and have the qualifications and experience necessary to successfully implement a high-quality Prevention Initiative program.

Home Visiting, Center-Based and Family Literacy programs

Gateways to Opportunity Credential

Center-Based and Family Literacy Programs

ExceleRate Illinois

Department of Children and Family Services licensing requirements set forth in the Illinois Administrative Code Title 89: Social Services Chapter III: Department of Children and Family Services Subchapter e: Requirements for Licensure Part 407

necessary to successfully implement a quality Prevention Initiative program.

The proposal describes an inadequate staffing plan.

- The personnel/staff qualifications described are not appropriate for working with at-risk infants and toddlers and their families.
- Staff positions/roles are not sufficiently defined to determine if the staff will be qualified for the position.

Proposal does not provide enough information to determine organization's capacity to operate the program.

The proposal provides a comprehensive plan and sufficient information to determine that the personnel/staff hold the appropriate certifications and/or licenses for their positions and have the qualifications and experience necessary to successfully implement a high-quality Prevention Initiative program.

Home Visiting, Center-Based and Family Literacy programs include:

Staffing plan:

- Personnel/staff are appropriately qualified for working with infants and toddlers and their families who may have multiple at risk factors and meet the requirements of the research-based program model being implemented;
- Personnel/staff roles are clearly defined (e.g. a job description);
- The program maintains sufficient enough hours (FTE) to maintain a reasonable caseload and be able to interact with children and families long enough to make sustainable changes in the family;
- Home visiting program maintain, at least, 3 FTE home visitors. Home visitors are, at least, .50 FTE.
- The program has a supervisor;

Home Visiting, Center-Based and Family Literacy programs

- Program supervisor is an experienced early childhood professional with expertise in infant and toddler development and parent education;
- Qualified staff who are trained and experienced birth to 3 program providers;
- Staff has achieved and maintains a Gateways to Opportunity Credential, as appropriate for the PI position, and
- Program leadership providing ongoing supervision that promotes staff development and enhances quality service delivery.

Proposal describes the organization's capacity to operate a program of this nature including:

- Experience providing services to infants, toddlers and their families;
- Experience working with families of similar cultural background as the families to be served:
- Experience successfully administering grants; and
- Appropriate financial systems to ensure that expenditures are properly documented;
- The Program has demonstrated they maintain

Licensing Standards for Day Care Centers	 Background checks, as applicable; 	multiple funding sources/streams that are
	Plan to ensure all PI staff that	robust.
	does not hold a professional	The program maintains a
Gateways to Opportunity Credential	educator license issued by	staffing that consists of at
Catewaye to Opportunity Oreachilar	the State Board of Education	least 1 FTE PI supervisor for
	are registered in the Illinois	every 6 FTE PI staff. (FTE –
	Department of Human	Full Time Equivalent);
	Services' "Gateways to	The program is identified has
	Opportunity" registry.	having the program model's
	Opportunity registry.	recognized indication of
	The proposal describes the	
	The proposal describes the	model fidelity and quality.
	organization's capacity to operate a	Baby TALK Quality Confirmation
	program of this nature including:	Confirmation
	Policies and procedures	o Early Head Start
	manual that addresses the PI	Federal Monitoring
	RFP 9 components;	Report
	Adherence to the Illinois	 Healthy Families
	Mandated Reporting Laws;	America
	 Appropriate maintenance of 	Accreditation
	records as define by ISBE;	Nurse Family
	 The program has 	Partnership Efforts to
	demonstrated the	Outcomes (ETO)
	organizational capacity to	o Parents as Teachers
	implement all nine PI RFP	Quality Endorsement
	components and the chosen	o Other
	program model with fidelity,	Occident Bases Law J. Econolis Life access
	as well as, adhere to the	Center-Based and Family Literacy
	Illinois Birth to Five Program	Programs
	Standards.	Decree and decree the second of the second o
	 The program participates in 	Proposal describes the organization's
	the chosen program model	capacity to operate a program of this
	recognized process for	nature including:
	monitoring fidelity and	Center-Based child care
	indicating quality.	centers have achieved and
		maintains the ExceleRate

In addition, Center-Based and Family Literacy Programs include:

Illinois Gold Circle of Quality;

Staff has achieved and maintains the <u>Gateways to</u> <u>Opportunity Credential</u>, as

		 Center-Based child care centers have achieved and maintains the ExceleRate Illinois Silver Circle of Quality; PI Child Care Center-Based programs staff salaries are proportionate to the number of PI students in the classroom or at the center depending upon the position. The program has a supervisor; The program maintains the appropriate licensure by Department of Children and Family Services licensing requirements set forth in the Illinois Administrative Code Title 89: Social Services Chapter III: Department of Children and Family Services Subchapter e: Requirements for Licensure Part 407 Licensing Standards for Day Care Centers. 	appropriate for the PI position. A high quality written proposal, that meets one or more of the components under the exemplary column, must be submitted to receive an exemplary score.
CRITERIA	Does Not Meet Standard	Meets Standard	Exemplary
Includ	e comments that validate the s	core you have awarded this pro	posal.
Special Notes:			
Strengths:			

Concerns:			

Component Number 9: Professional Development

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CRITERIA	DOES NOT Meet Standard	MEETS STANDARD	EXEMPLARY	
CRITERIA Professional Development Proposal Narrative Requirements Section: Professional Development Staff will continue to gain knowledge, skills, and dispositions that current research suggests translate into quality and learn best practices to improve outcomes for families. The staff development plan addresses the needs of the project staff, offers a varied and full range of staff development experiences and provides sufficient opportunities for	DOES NOT Meet Standard The Professional Development proposal describes a professional development plan that is not adequate and not coordinated with staff or program needs. • Program staff are not being assessed for staff development needs; • Staff development plans are not clearly tied to purpose and goals of Prevention Initiative; and • Supervision is not clearly defined or addressed.	MEETS STANDARD The Professional Development proposal provides a description of the proposed professional development procedures. The proposal addresses: Assessing the staff development needs in the Prevention Initiative program; Providing pre-service and inservice training to meet the individual needs of the staff and the requirements of the chosen research-based program model or Center-Based personnel;	EXEMPLARY The Professional Development proposal explains, in detail, all the items to meet the standard (3rd column) and the following: The proposal describes a comprehensive and detailed professional development plan for all staff. The proposal provides a detailed description of the following: • Regular and sufficient schedule for assessing staff development needs; • Regular and sufficient	
learning so as to allow staff to incorporate the training into program delivery activities.		A description of all areas/components of the written Professional Development Plan; Professional development plan is developed in collaboration with supervisor; Adequate administrative supervision is described; Adequate reflective supervision is described; The proposal must adequately describe how staff development activities are implemented and how	administrative supervision is described; Regular and sufficient reflective supervision is described; Professional development addresses understanding and overcoming barriers to equitable participation by families and children (including those with special needs); Professional development is offered to all staff to maintain an understanding of current	

		the information will be used to inform the program's staff development and continuous quality improvement efforts.	Best Practices and maintain compliance with the ISBE requirements, as well as, the research-based program model; and • Staff is provided sufficient time for learning and implementing training ideas into program application. A high quality written proposal, that meets one or more of the components under the exemplary column, must be submitted to receive an exemplary score.			
Includ	Include comments that validate the score you have awarded this proposal.					
Special Notes:						
Strengths:						
Concerns:						
Scoring: Experience a	nd Qualifications					
Experience and Qualifications Staff Qualifications and Organizational Capacity Professional Development Total Points Possible: 20	Possible Score: 0-12	Possible Score: 13-17	Possible Score: 18-20			

Include comments that validate the score you have awarded this proposal.			
Special Notes:			
Strengths:			
Concerns:			
Total Points Possible: 20	Readers Score:		

Budget (10 Points)

Budget

CRITERIA	DOES NOT Meet Standard	MEETS STANDARD	EXEMPLARY
Budget	Budget	Budget	Budget
The program is cost-effective as evidenced by the cost of proposed services in relation to the numbers to be served and the services to be provided. Implementing a fiscally responsible grant means that the cost per family aligns with the quality components offered. To determine the cost per family simply divide the total grant allocation by the number of families served in the program. Example: The cost per family should be at the lower end of the cost continuum if the program is offering home visiting services twice per month to families served and has no other identified quality components. The cost per family may be on the higher end of the cost continuum if the program implements components that have been identified by research to increase quality including, but not limited to, mental health consultation, weekly home visits (intensive services), doula, etc.	Proposal describes a budget that is an inadequate use of funds for Prevention Initiative. • The budget summary has significant inconsistencies. • The budget breakdown has incomplete explanation of expenditures. • The expenditures are not consistent for the scope and purpose of the project. • The requested funding level is not reasonable for the number to be served and the services to be provided.	Proposal describes a fiscally responsible use of Prevention Initiative funds: • The budget summary is accurate. • The budget breakdown includes sufficient explanation of expenditures. • Most budget expenditures are consistent for the scope and purpose of the project. • The requested funding level is reasonable for the number to be served and the services to be provided. (Cost per family/HV, Cost per child/CB)	Proposal describes a fiscally responsible and itemized explanation for use of Prevention Initiative funds and the proposal explains, in detail, all the items to meet the standard (3rd column) and the following: • The budget breakdown explains each item completely and gives calculations to support the amount requested. (itemized) • All expenditures are consistent for the scope and purpose of the project. • The program budget provides for sufficient professional development, staffing structure, supplies and materials. • The program budget is practical and realistic. A high quality written proposal, that meets one or more of the components under the exemplary column, must be submitted to receive an exemplary score.

the home visiting program model chosen and the intensity of services to be provided as stated in the approved proposal and the total appropriation for the program. ISBE anticipates programs will submit budgets that support the ability to implement the chosen home visiting program model with fidelity and provide quality Prevention Initiative programming; therefore, it is anticipated individual home visiting programs will request funding ranging from \$4,075 to \$7,811 per family enrolled. Program costs for centerbased and family literacy programs will depend upon the Prevention Initiative services the program is requesting funding to support. ISBE anticipates individual programs will request funding ranging from \$18,000 to \$22,000 per family enrolled. Enrollment should be determined by those having the most points on a weighted eligibility criteria measure as identified through a program screening process.			
Total Points Possible: 10	Possible Score: 0-6	Possible Score: 7-8 core you have awarded this prop	Possible Score: 9-10

Special Notes:	
Strengths:	
Concerns:	
Total Points Possible: 10	Readers Score: