

TO BE RESCINDED

5101:9-7-29.1 **Public children services agency (PCSA) local contributions.**

(A) Amended Substitute House Bill 110 of the 134th General Assembly requires that if funds distributed by the Ohio department of job and family services (ODJFS) under section 5101.14 of the Revised Code are greater in state fiscal years (SFY) 2022 and 2023 than the amount appropriated in SFY 2019 the county must make a minimum contribution of local funds to the children services fund, as described in section 5101.144 of the Revised Code.

(1) Each county reported to ODJFS the local contributions for county fiscal year (CFY) 2019 made to the children services fund during county fiscal year (CFY) 2019 as described in paragraph (F) of this rule and:

(a) Certified the local county contributions to the children services fund and;

(b) Contributed to the children services fund during SFY 2020 and SFY 2021.

(2) Each county that did not make local county contributions, as described in paragraph (F) of this rule, to the children services fund during CFY 2019:

(a) Certified that no local county contributions were made to the children services fund during CFY 2019, as described in paragraphs (B)(1) to (B)(3) of this rule; and

(b) Did not have a minimum obligation to contribute local county funds in SFY 2020 or SFY 2021; and

(c) Does not have a minimum obligation to contribute local county funds in SFY 2022 or SFY 2023.

(B) Certification of CFY 2019

(1) The PCSA director certified by signature the accuracy of the receipt of local county funds, and submitted the certification form to the county auditor for signature.

(2) The county auditors certified by signature the accuracy of the submitted form signed by the PCSA director.

(3) The PCSA submitted the certification to ODJFS.

(C) Local obligation for SFY 2022

- (1) For SFY 2022, ODJFS will use county contributions for CFY 2017 through CFY 2020 to determine the minimum local obligation for SFY 2022.
- (2) The PCSA director shall certify the receipt of local county funds, by completing the JFS 02825 for CFY 2020, and submitting the certification form to the county auditor for signature.
- (3) County auditors shall certify by signature the accuracy of the submitted form signed by the PCSA director.
- (4) The PCSA shall submit the certification to ODJFS by October 31, 2021. The PCSA shall also submit a copy of the certification to their local county commissioners or designee.
- (5) ODJFS will use the average of the local county contributions as certified based in paragraph (C)(1) of this rule to determine the county's minimum local contribution requirement for SFY 2022.

(D) Local obligation for SFY 2023

- (1) For SFY 2023, ODJFS will use county contributions for CFY 2018 through CFY 2021 to determine the minimum local obligation for SFY 2023.
- (2) The PCSA director shall certify the receipt of local county funds by completing the JFS 02825 for CFY 2021, and submitting the certification form to the county auditor for signature.
- (3) County auditors shall certify by signature the accuracy of the submitted form signed by the PCSA director.
- (4) The PCSA shall submit the certification to ODJFS by March 31, 2022. The PCSA shall also submit a copy of the certification to their local county commissioners or designee.
- (5) ODJFS will use the average of the local county contributions as certified based on paragraph (D)(1) of this rule as the minimum amount to be contributed for SFY 2023.

(E) If circumstances arise and a county cannot meet their minimum contribution requirements for SFY 2022 or SFY 2023:

- (1) The county commissioner(s) shall submit a written explanation to ODJFS, signed by the county auditor, verifying that the county cannot meet local funding

requirements. The county commissioner(s) may request a reduced amount or request that the entire contribution be waived;

- (2) The county commissioner(s) shall submit a copy of the hardship request to the PCSA director; and
- (3) The request will be reviewed and may be granted at the discretion of the ODJFS director.

(F) For purposes of this rule local county funds are:

- (1) County general revenue funds appropriated and deposited into the child services fund; and
- (2) Levy taxes appropriated and deposited into the children services fund as described in section 5153.35 of the Revised Code.

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Certification

01/25/2024

Date

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