## **Goal: Getting Payments Right**

Program or Activity Child Care

Reporting Period Q3 2019

## **Change from Previous FY (\$M)**

\$61M



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## HHS Child Care

**Brief Program Description:** 

**Quarterly Progress Goals** 

Child Care and Development Fund (CCDF) is a joint federal/state program, administered by the states, that provides child care financial assistance to low-income working families.

Key I	Milestones	Status	ECD
1	Finalize estimated cash loss estimation methodology	Completed	Nov-18
2	Identify estimated cash loss amount for FY 2018	Completed	Nov-18
3	Identify true root causes of cash loss	Completed	Nov-18
4	Develop mitigation strategies to get the payment right the first time	Completed	Nov-18
5	Evaluate the ROI of the mitigation strategy	On-Track	Dec-20
6	Determine which strategies have the best ROI to prevent cash loss	On-Track	Dec-20



Notes

1	Q3 2019	Identifying ways to help grantees reduce errors.	On-Track	It is the Office of Child Care's (OCC) goal to assist grantees to improve the overall administration of their CCDF programs, to help them reduce errors, and to help them reduce improper payments.	Dec-20
2	Q3 2019	Reduce monetary loss.	On-Track	N/A	Dec-20
Recent Accomplishments				Date	

Status

R	Recent Accomplishments			
	Completed Joint Case Reviews for several reporting states for the FY19 IP reviews, which provide oversight of the IP methodology, assist in identifying areas for improvement, and allow grantees to self-identify areas need correction.		Jun-19	
	2 Grantees received training on the Child Care Data Collection Instructions, revised in October 2018 and in place for the next review cycle, and technical assistance targeting individual support for each required compethodology.		Jun-19	
	3 Provided targeted technical assistance, monthly calls, and a site visit to help states identify root causes and mitigation strategies, technical assistance needs, and focus discussions on policy/procedure implementation.		Jun-19	

FY18 Amt(\$)	Root Cause	Root Cause Description	Mitigation Strategy	Anticipated Impact of Mitigation
\$177M	Insufficient documentation to determine	Insufficient Documentation to Determine resulted in overpayments of \$176.92 million.	Conduct joint reviews of methodology implementation with grantees; help states reveal areas where policy/procedure can be modified; & provide training, technical assistance, & additional support/oversight to identify areas for correction.	Grantees will examine their policies and procedures and make changes to enhance efforts to reduce errors.
Administrative or Process Errors Made by: State or Local help states reveal areas where po		Conduct joint reviews of methodology implementation with grantees; help states reveal areas where policy/procedure can be modified; & provide training, technical assistance, & additional support/oversight to identify areas for correction.	Grantees will examine their policies and procedures and make changes to enhance efforts to reduce errors.	

Cash Loss - Cash loss to the Government includes amounts that should not have been paid and in theory should/could be recovered.