



Frequently Asked Questions

Strong Families – CBCAP Request for Proposals

The Strong Families – CBCAP RFP was released on May 29, 2025, and questions were accepted through June 6, 2025. Below, are the questions and answers.

1. **Question:** Funding: Can you please provide some guidance about the 2025 CBCAP funding amount? I saw in the RFP that we could apply for up to \$110,000 per applicant. We were previously told to only expect \$30,000 (as in years FY21-FY23) for FY26. Did plans change? We're working on our FY26 budgets and trying to set realistic expectations for our grant awards.

Answer: The Strong Families – Community-based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP) RFP that was issued on May 29, 2025, is for awards up to \$110,000 for federal fiscal year Oct. 1, 2025, through Sept. 30, 2026. Selected grantees must implement primary and secondary prevention programming or serve as an intermediary for such an agency.

Existing Family Support Center-Patty Centers were given an opportunity to receive a one-time supplement for implementing the Protective Factors Survey during the July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, program year. Participation in this opportunity closed in May. Sub-recipients that are signed up for this initiative will receive a one-time supplemental award of \$30,000.

The Strong Families – CBCAP RFP that was released on May 29, 2025, for up to \$110,000 is a different award than the one-time supplement that was available for the Family Support Centers-Patty Centers that signed up by May 2025.

2. **Question:** Other changes: At first glance I don't notice any other substantive changes to the program from FY25. Are there any key substantive changes to the program from FY25? Any new expectations or requirements of partners that we should be made aware of?



Answer: Applications must include a memorandum of understanding that reflects meaningful collaboration between the grantee lead and the partner agency. A collaborative approach will likely also be reflected in the budget so that the partner agency receives funding to implement their responsibilities. (See the RFP on pages 8 (under Implementation), 11 (under Budget Narrative), 12 – 13 (under Characteristics of a Strong Proposal, Collaboration).

Applicants that implement programming/curricula that are supported by one of the prevention of child maltreatment [clearinghouses/registries](#) will be rated more highly. (See page 13 of the RFP for the scoring rubric.)

3. **Question:** Who is eligible to apply; is a local health department eligible? Or only public/private non-profits as the lead?

Answer: Yes, a local health department is eligible to apply and must include a community-based partner that will be reflected in the memorandum of understanding that accompanies the application. Additionally, competitive proposals will include a budget that reflects funding for the partner to implement their responsibilities. (See page 2 of the RFP under Eligibility.)

4. **Question:** Are families referred by the Department of Social Services, Parole and Probation, and/or the courts eligible to receive services under the Strong Families grant opportunity? These are families that may have been in contact with DSS for any reason, which can include applying for benefits and/or seeking support. Families from the Department of Parole and Probation or the courts are almost always either referred or mandated to service, however, the extent of their involvement with these systems are unknown.

Answer: CBCAP funding can be used for primary and secondary prevention activities, which means programming for families that are child welfare involved are not eligible for primary and secondary prevention services. Programming that includes clients who are child welfare involved are not appropriate for CBCAP. There are other funding sources under Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act ([CAPTA](#)) that may be a good fit (See pages 3 – 4 of the RFP under Restrictions on How Funds Must be Used).