

Children's Administration (CA)

Evidenced Based Programs - Training Resource Allocation

Department of Children, Youth, and Families (DCYF) has a limited amount of state funds that it can use at its discretion to help train Evidenced Based Program (EBP) therapists. Additionally, DCYF has an overarching fiduciary responsibility to ensure accountability in how these funds are used. In order for DCYF to maximize funding, protect state resources and have trained EBP therapists, the following procedures will be used to determine how CA allocates this discretionary training funding. All EBP funding requests will be reviewed and allocated according to the following priorities:

1. Funding Priorities are for providers who:

- A. Can deliver services in locations where no services are available.
- B. Are able to commit to 25% of their case load, or at least 4 cases at any given time, towards delivering the EBP.
- C. Can deliver services in underserved areas or to support DCYF to maintain current service levels.
- D. Are able to deliver services in languages other than English.
- E. Has knowledge of community resources.

2. Additional Considerations:

Additional factors that will impact contractors' access to training funds:

- A. Compliance with fidelity standards and contract requirements for EBPs delivered that is sustained over time;
- B. Retention of staff whose training slots were previously funded by CA.

NOTE: Previous delivery of evidence based services are not a requirement to access state funded training. CA continues to seek new agencies to join in partnership in delivering services.

3. Training Funding Limitations:

Requests for access to CA funded EBP training may be denied for contractors where there has been at least two out of compliance situations. A contractor whose funding has been denied may have it restored by demonstrating sustained compliance with fidelity standards over time.