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October 17, 2025

Dr. Alyssa Bish  
Division Director  
Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services  
Division of Children and Family Services  
301 Centennial Mall South  
Lincoln, Nebraska 68509

Dear Division Director Bish:

Thank you for submitting Nebraska's Annual Progress and Services Report (APSR) for fiscal year (FY) 2026, including the annual report on the use of funds under the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act, and the CFS-101 forms requesting funding for FY 2026 to address the following programs:

- Title IV-B, subpart 1 of the Social Security Act (the Act) – the Stephanie Tubbs Jones Child Welfare Services Program;
- Title IV-B, subpart 2 of the Act - the MaryLee Allen Promoting Safe and Stable Families Program and Monthly Caseworker Visit Grant);
- Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act (CAPTA) State Grant;
- Chafee Foster Care Program for Successful Transition to Adulthood (Chafee Program); and
- Education and Training Vouchers (ETV) Program.

These programs provide important funding to help state child welfare agencies ensure safety, permanency, and well-being for children, youth and their families. The APSR facilitates continued assessment, development, and implementation of a comprehensive continuum of services for children and families. It provides an opportunity to integrate each state's strategic planning around the use of federal funds with its work relating to the Child and Family Services Reviews and continuous program improvement to ensure better outcomes for all children, youth and families.

### **Approval**

The Children's Bureau (CB) has reviewed your APSR for FY 2026 and the annual report on the use of CAPTA funds and finds they comply with applicable federal statutory and regulatory requirements. Therefore, we approve FY 2026 funding for the programs listed above.

Counter-signed copies of the CFS-101 forms are enclosed for your records.

The Administration for Children and Families' Office of Grants Management (OGM) will issue a grant notification award letter with pertinent grant information, which will be sent to the email address listed on the FY 2026 CFS-101 forms. Grant recipients are required to submit the SF-425 Federal Financial Report at the close of the expenditure period according to the terms and conditions of the award.

**Training Plan**

The APSR submitted for review and approval included the state's training plan for titles IV-B and IV-E. Please note that states must assure that training costs included in the training plan and charged to title IV-E of the Act comply with the requirements at 45 CFR 1356.60(b) and (c) and 45 CFR 235.63 through 235.66(a), including properly allocating costs to all benefiting programs in accordance with the state's approved cost allocation plan.

The CB looks forward to working with you and your staff. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact us by e-mailing your CB Region's resource mailbox at [CBRegion7@acf.hhs.gov](mailto:CBRegion7@acf.hhs.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph Bock". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

Joseph Bock  
Acting Associate Commissioner  
Children's Bureau

Enclosure(s)

cc: CB Region 7 Resource Mailbox