§ 400.8 Approval of State plans and plan amendments.

(a) The State agency must submit the State plan and plan amendments which have been signed by the Governor, or his or her designee, together with one copy of such plan or amendment, to the Director of ORR, or his or her designee, for approval. States are encouraged to consult with the Director, or designee, when a plan or amendment is in preparation.

(b) The Director, or his or her designee, may initiate any necessary discussions with the State agency to clarify aspects of the plan.

(c) No later than 45 days after the State plan or plan amendment is submitted, the Director, or his or her designee, will—

1. Determine whether a State plan or plan amendment meets or continues to meet requirements for approval based on relevant Federal statutes and regulations, and
2. Approve or disapprove the plan or plan amendment.

(d) The Director, or designee, will notify the State agency promptly of all actions taken on State plans and amendments.

(e) The effective date of an approved State plan or plan amendment may not be earlier than the first day of the calendar quarter in which the State agency submitted the plan or plan amendment, except as otherwise approved by the Director.

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§ 400.9 Administrative review of decisions on approval of State plans and plan amendments.

(a) Any State dissatisfied with a determination by the Director, or his or her designee, under § 400.8 with respect to any plan or plan amendment may, within 60 days after the date of notification of such determination, file a petition with the Director, or designee, for reconsideration of the determination.

(b) A State may request that a hearing be held, but it is not required to do so.

(c) If a State requests a hearing, the Director, or designee, will notify the State within 30 days after receipt of such a petition, of the time and location of the hearing to reconsider the issue.

(d) The hearing must be held not less than 30 days nor more than 60 days after the date the notice of the hearing is furnished to the State, unless the Director, or designee, and the State agree in writing on another time.

(e) The hearing procedures in part 213 of this title will be used except that:

1. “The Director” is substituted where there is a reference to “the Administrator,” and
2. “ORR Hearing Clerk” is substituted where there is reference to the “SRS Hearing Clerk.”

(f) The Director will affirm, modify, or reverse the original decision within 60 days of the receipt of the State’s petition or, if a hearing is held, within 60 days after the hearing.

(g) The initial determination by the Director, or designee, that a plan or amendment is not approvable shall remain in effect pending the reconsideration.

(h) If the Director reverses the original decision, ORR will reimburse any funds incorrectly withheld or otherwise denied.

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§ 400.10 [Reserved]

AWARD OF GRANTS TO STATES

§ 400.11 Award of Grants to States.

(a) Quarterly grants. Subject to the availability of funds (and in accordance with the limitations of Subpart J of this part), ORR will make two types of quarterly grants to eligible States:

1. Grants for cash assistance, medical assistance, and related administrative costs (“CMA grants”), for the following purposes: Cash assistance provided by a State or local public agency under the program of temporary assistance for needy families (TANF) under part A of title IV of the Social Security Act, under the adult assistance programs (AABD, AB, APTD, or OAA) in the territories, or under section 412(e) of the Immigration and Nationality Act; foster care maintenance provided under part E of title IV of the Social Security Act; State supplementary payments under section 1616(a) of the Social Security Act or section 212 of the Pub. L.