**Bureau Name:** Children's Bureau  **Grant Number:** 90CZ0010  
**Target Population:** At-Risk Children and Youth  
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**GRANTEE INFORMATION:**

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- **Amount of Award:** $80,000.00  
- **Program Name:** National Child Welfare Resource Centers  
- **Project Period:** 9/30/2004-9/29/2009  
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- **Congressional District Served:** 1

**Related Links:**

**ABSTRACT:**

- **Organization Description:** The overall goal of the Resource Center is to achieve child safety, permanence, and well-being through improved laws, policies, legal practice, and judicial decision-making. To achieve this, the Resource Center will: (a) enable agencies and courts - through Child and Family Services Reviews (CFSRs) - to address fundamental legal/judicial change; (b) continue longstanding relationships with Court Improvement Programs (CIPs) to help make lasting reforms critical to achieving better child outcomes; (c) help states implement federal and inter-jurisdictional child welfare laws; (d) promote quality lawyering for children, agencies, and parents; and (e) enhance partnerships among child welfare, legal, and court organizations. Approaches taken will emphasize on and off-site training/technical assistance on CFSRs, Program Improvement Plans (PIPs), CIPs, judicial/attorney workloads, federal/interstate laws, and legal representation. Collaboration with other resource centers and organizations will support this, including using interdisciplinary working groups of child welfare professionals. Publications will be produced on court improvement, adolescent permanency.
planning, education access for foster children, legal ethics, etc. Latest technology will reach a larger audience, including web-based dissemination of materials and trainings, and listservs.

**Use(s) of ACF Program Grant Funds:** Results and benefits expected include: CFSRs and CIPs will be more effective instruments of crucial, lasting legal system reforms; all state agencies and CIPs will work more closely on CFSRs and PIPs and actively involve legal/judicial system professionals in PIP implementation; CIPs will implement quality assurance systems, leading to improved outcomes for children and families; states will more fully implement federal child welfare laws to enhance child outcomes; states will improve the quality of legal practice; and states will collaborate among legal and non-legal professionals/organizations.

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