

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL NO. 953

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to the Child Abuse Multidisciplinary Account; amending 10A O.S. 2011, Section 1-9-104, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 256, O.S.L. 2017 (10A O.S. Supp. 2018, Section 1-9-104), which relates to allocation of monies in Child Abuse Multidisciplinary Account; modifying disbursement and carryover procedures for certain funds; modifying timeframes to expend certain funds; updating statutory reference; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 10A O.S. 2011, Section 1-9-104, as last amended by Section 1, Chapter 256, O.S.L. 2017 (10A O.S. Supp. 2018, Section 1-9-104), is amended to read as follows:

Section 1-9-104. A. The Department of Human Services shall allocate monies available in the Child Abuse Multidisciplinary Account (CAMA) to:

1. The Child Abuse Multidisciplinary Team Account (CAMTA) Fund created by Section 1-9-103a of this title. Monies made available to the CAMTA shall be used for the purposes of funding one functioning freestanding multidisciplinary child abuse team in each county of

1 this state, utilizing the funding distributions as provided in
2 subsection B of this section;

3 2. One hospital team pursuant to subsection E of Section 1-9-
4 102 of this title; and

5 3. One child advocacy center, accredited by the National
6 Children's Alliance, per district attorney's district. A child
7 advocacy center shall:

8 a. be eligible for Child Abuse Multidisciplinary Account
9 (CAMA) funding upon accreditation by the National
10 Children's Alliance,

11 b. secure a third-year interim review to determine
12 whether the child advocacy center continues to meet
13 the National Children's Alliance standards in effect
14 at the time of its last accreditation. If a child
15 advocacy center fails the third-year review, the
16 center shall remain eligible for CAMA funding, but
17 shall have another review conducted in the fourth
18 year. If the child advocacy center fails the fourth-
19 year review, the center shall be ineligible to receive
20 CAMA funding until such time as the center receives
21 reaccreditation from the National Children's Alliance,
22 and

23 c. remain the center for the district attorney's district
24 as long as the center is accredited and eligibility is

1 maintained pursuant to the provisions of Section 1-9-
2 102 of this title. If a center does not remain
3 eligible pursuant to the provisions of Section 1-9-102
4 of this title, endorsement by the district attorney as
5 the child advocacy center for the district may be
6 sought by any entity beginning with the calendar year
7 after the center is determined to be ineligible. The
8 two centers in district number (4) and district number
9 (13) that were accredited as of ~~the effective date of~~
10 ~~this act~~ May 17, 2005, shall continue to receive
11 funding at the nonurban level. Should one of the
12 exempted centers close or no longer meet the criteria
13 for a child advocacy center pursuant to the provisions
14 of Section 1-9-102 of this title, the center shall not
15 be allowed to reopen in that district or to receive
16 CAMA funds. The remaining center shall become the
17 sole child advocacy center for the district attorney's
18 district.

19 B. Funding distribution pursuant to the provisions of this
20 section shall be determined:

21 1. By multiplying the number of applicants in each category by
22 the corresponding weight as follows:

- 23 a. freestanding multidisciplinary child abuse team - 1,
- 24 b. hospital team - 1,

- c. nonurban centers - 4,
- d. mid-level nonurban centers - 6, and
- e. urban centers - 24;

2. Adding together the weighted results for all categories;

3. Dividing the weighted result for each category by the sum of the weighted results for all categories; and

4. Equally distributing funding to each applicant in the corresponding category based on the amounts obtained by multiplying the total available funding by the calculated percentages. The total amount for all freestanding multidisciplinary teams as determined by the formula provided in this subsection shall be transferred to the Child Abuse Multidisciplinary Team Account (CAMTA) Fund established by Section 1-9-103a of this title and contracts with each freestanding multidisciplinary team shall be completed no later than January 1 of each year.

C. By January 31, 2003, and by January 31 of each year thereafter, the Department shall disburse monies from the Child Abuse Multidisciplinary Account to eligible child advocacy centers. A child advocacy center shall be in compliance with the provisions of Section 1-9-102 of this title to be eligible for Child Abuse Multidisciplinary Account funding. The disbursement shall be a single, annual disbursement, for the collection period of the preceding year beginning October 1 through September 30. The Commission may disburse one half (1/2) of the contracted amount at

1 the beginning of the calendar year to freestanding teams that are
2 functioning effectively as determined by the Commission pursuant to
3 Section 1-9-102 of this title.

4 D. A report issued by the Oklahoma Commission on Children and
5 Youth to the Oklahoma Legislature outlining performance measures for
6 all multidisciplinary teams, including those associated with child
7 advocacy centers, and recommendations on the funding formula
8 provided for in this section shall be transmitted to the Oklahoma
9 Legislature no later than December 31, 2017. The Department, the
10 Commission, and the Children's Advocacy Centers of Oklahoma, Inc.,
11 shall meet annually to review and certify the amount of CAMA and
12 CAMTA funds to be disbursed.

13 E. A ~~team or~~ child advocacy center may carry over funding for a
14 period of one (1) year after allocation, such one-year period to
15 begin in January and end in December of the same year; provided,
16 however, funds not used within twenty-four (24) months of the
17 original allocation will be deducted from the contract amount for
18 the next contract year. If a ~~team or~~ center is ineligible for
19 funding in an upcoming year, unused funds from the current or
20 previous years shall be returned to the CAMA ~~or CAMTA Funds Fund~~ Fund for
21 use in subsequent years. Funds not used by a freestanding team by
22 the end of the contract period shall revert to, and be deposited in,
23 the CAMA Fund.

1 F. The Commission is hereby authorized to receive five percent
2 (5.0%) in administrative costs from the CAMTA Fund. The Department
3 of Human Services is hereby authorized to receive one-half of one
4 percent (0.5%) in administrative costs from the CAMA fund.

5 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.
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