# HEAD START/EARLY HEAD START FAMILY SERVICES POLICIES

Parent Leadership Training	FS-1
Parent Curriculum	FS-2

# REGION 16 EDUCATION SERVICE CENTER Head Start/Early Head Start

Subject: Parent Leadership Training Section: Family Services
Program: Head Start/Early Head Start Date Revised: November 12, 2019

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**Regulation Reference**: 45 CFR Part(s): 1301.4

#### **Policy:**

Head Start/Early Head Start parent leaders will receive training.

## **Procedure:**

- 1. In the fall of each year, parent leaders are trained by family services specialists.
- 2. Due to the geographic size of Region 16 Head Start, parent leadership training is divided into 4 clusters.
  - a. North Cluster-Training normally held in Borger and includes all sites north of Amarillo.
  - b. West Cluster-Training normally held in Hereford and includes Hereford and sites west of Hereford.
  - c. East Cluster-Training is normally in Memphis and includes sites east of Amarillo.
  - d. Amarillo Cluster-Training is held in Amarillo and includes Amarillo, River Road, and Canyon sites.
- 3. The Amarillo Cluster is offered 2 times. One time in the morning and the evening.
- 4. Documentation of Parent Leadership Training is maintained in Child Plus.

#### Topics Covered during training:

- 1. Parent leader responsibilities
- 2. Parent leader opportunities
- 3. In-Kind
- 4. Parent's critical role in recruitment
- 5. Parent Committee Communication
- 6. Addressing Concerns
- 7. Tips for successful meetings
- 8. Parent meeting topics, agendas, and sign in sheets

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### **Policy:**

A program must offer opportunities for parents to participate in a research-based parenting curriculum that builds on parent' knowledge and offers parents the opportunity to practice skills to promote children's learning and development.

### **Procedure**:

- 1. Family Services Specialist identify topics/lessons related to parenting curriculum for the program year.
- 2. Family Services Specialist train and support family services staff to teach the topic/lesson at each site.
- 3. A minimum of 4 parenting curriculum lessons are taught at each site per year.