

## Department of Health and Human Services Awards \$2.2M Contract to ICF International

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## Firm to Evaluate Effectiveness of Child Welfare Training and Technical Assistance Network

FAIRFAX, Va.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Mar. 16, 2009-- ICF Incorporated, LLC, a subsidiary of ICF International (NASDAQ:ICFI), announced today that it was awarded a new subcontract to provide services to the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Administration for Children and Families' (ACF) Children's Bureau to conduct a cross-site evaluation of its Training and Technical Assistance (T/TA) Network. The agreement, which consists of five base and two option years, started in September 2008 and has a total value of \$2.2 million.

In 2008, the Children's Bureau embarked on a major initiative to enhance T/TA services that promote safety, permanency, and well-being for children. As part of the initiative, the bureau created five regional Child Welfare Implementation Centers (ICs), each of which will establish formal partnerships with states and tribes to provide long-term T/TA and resources necessary to carry out multi-year, systems change projects. The ICs will coordinate with the National Child Welfare Resources Centers (NRCs) and other members of the T/TA Network in providing this assistance.

Under the agreement, ICF will work in conjunction with prime James Bell Associates (JBA) to evaluate the effectiveness of the new ICs, the NRCs, and their related activities. The cross-site evaluation will be conducted in three phases: assessment and design, evaluation implementation and data collection, and analysis and dissemination. It is expected to yield practical, useful, and evidence-based findings that will result in achieving systems change in child welfare.

"The JBA-ICF team has extensive expertise in child welfare evaluations, including evaluations of system change in child welfare," states Maureen Murphy, ICF senior vice president and education expert. "Our team of evaluators will draw on this expertise along with our knowledge of IT systems to help ensure that the evaluation reflects the most current thinking on child welfare evaluation, is effectively implemented, and yields findings that address key issues in child welfare systems and services. We are excited about our involvement in this project and its potential to support significant improvements to the child welfare system."

## **About ICF International**

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