State Requirements: Org. Standards and Beyond

- Most of 2015 spent on Org Standards
  - CAA’s completing assessments
  - Adding standards to monitoring documents
  - Beginning creation of TA plans

- Org Standards are one small part of an overall increased accountability framework
  - Model State Plan
  - Annual Report
ACF Handout (CSBG Performance Management Framework)

- **Capacity**
  - Org Standards (IM 138)
  - Assessed yearly
  - Reported in State Plan and Annual Report

- **Efficiency**
  - State Accountability Measures
  - Track State Performance
  - Report in State Plan and Annual Report

- **Results**
  - Measurable outcomes
  - Reported to us in quarterly report
  - Reported to OCS in Annual Report
ACF Handout: Measuring Success

• Performance
  ▫ Meeting Organizational Standards
  ▫ States meeting Accountability Standards

• So What
  ▫ What difference did the services make? (results)
  ▫ National Performance Indicators
What is Performance Management?
- Accountability (planned vs. actual performance)
- Collecting consistent, useful data
- Data analysis: turning data into useful information that can inform program decisions and improve service delivery
- Continuous improvement: identify areas needing to improve; identify best practices
- Better results for the low-income individuals, families, communities served
Why is State Plan changing?

• Easier to submit
  ▫ Online through OLDC system
  ▫ Some elements “streamlined”

• To collect information on org standards and State accountability measures
  ▫ Heightened expectation of State monitoring, training, technical assistance
Why Now?

• Current national need to demonstrate results
• FY 2015 Federally required online submission of applications for funding
• FY 2016 CSBG performance management roll-out
Performance Management and Accountability Framework

• The What
  ▫ Org Standards
  ▫ Accountability Measures

• and The So What
  ▫ Results/Data/NPI’s
Model State Plan

• Details Plan for meeting Org Standards and State Accountability Measures
Annual Report

• Details progress towards meeting Org Standards and State Accountability Measures

• Reports results, the “so what” from NPI’s

• Formerly the IS Survey
The State Accountability Measures

• capture performance data

• *how efficiently and effectively* the State implements the activities described in the State plan

• *what impact* the State’s efforts have on the performance of local eligible entities.
Accountability Standards

• States will collect data on State accountability measures using three mechanisms:
  ▫ the CSBG Model State Plan
  ▫ the State CSBG Annual Report
  ▫ a nationally administered survey.
State Accountability Measures: Specific Highlights

• State Plan
  ▫ Development
    • Creating strategies
    • Working with network on input
      • Task Force, Comment Periods, Presentations, Surveys
State Accountability Measures: Specific Highlights

- State Plan
  - Implementation
    - Make funds available quickly (2Sa), within 30 days of receiving funding notice
      - Requires CAA’s to sign and return quickly
      - Our process includes several procurement steps
State Accountability Measures: Specific Highlights

• State Plan
  ▫ Implementation

• Discretionary Funds (3S)
  • No funds used for TA
  • Increases need to have a robust Peer-to-peer network and develop a toolkit of resources
State Accountability Measures: Specific Highlights

• Implementation

  ▫ Grantee Monitoring and Corrective Action (4S)

  • Monitored at least every 3 years (1 for org standards)
    • Goal for State is to get to 2 year cycle
  • Monitoring reports within 35 days
  • **Reported serious deficiencies to** OCS
    • **Measure is the number that improved from a QIP**
      ▫ Emphasis on documentation of progress
Definition from State Accountability Measures of Serious Deficiency

• “Serious deficiency” means a finding that the CAA is not in compliance with Federal or State laws or eligible entity bylaws;

• or that the Eligible Entity has committed fraud, is in financial difficulty, or is not able to provide services
Specific Monitoring Goals

• 100% of CAA's meet schedules in Corrective Action Plans

• 100% of CAA audits reviewed and closed within 30 days
State Accountability Measures: Specific Highlights

- Data Collection, Analysis, and Reporting (5S)
  - State to Report planned and accurate reporting data to OCS
  - **State gives CAA’s written feedback on performance within 60 days of submitting**
  - **State develops information for CAA’s and OCS within 60 days of OCS feedback**
State Accountability Measures: Specific Highlights

- Org Standards (6S)
  - Report % of CAA’s meeting standards (target in model state plan, actual in annual report)
  - Technical Assistance Plans for all with unmet needs (should be ongoing)
  - Quality Improvement Plans for Serious Deficiencies (needs clarity)
State Accountability Measures: Specific Highlights

• State Linkages and Communication (7S)
  □ Provide data and examples of linkages within State Government
    • Continue to work with DHCD
    • Develop new partnerships
• Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) Model State Plan - DRAFT
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State Accountability Measures: Specific Highlights

- Communications (8S)
  - Newsletters, blogs, or other forms of mass communication
  - Advisory group meetings
  - Meetings with State CAA Associations
  - Annual Reports
  - Information Memorandum or other formal Guidance Documents
State Accountability Measures: Specific Highlights

- Linkages (9S)
  - Development of Partnerships
    - *mutually beneficial arrangements wherein each entity contributes and/or receives: time, effort, expertise and/or resources.*
Model State Plan: Key Features
Section 3

• Statewide Goals and Strategies
  ▪ Not a rollup of local plans, these are statewide goals/strategies
    • Ways to move our State to more substantive outcomes
      • Advancing Partnerships on Key Initiatives (Summer Food, EITC, Workforce, Child Care)
Model State Plan: Key Features
Section 3

- **Statewide Goals and Strategies**
  - Org Standards Goals (How to progress to compliance)
Model State Plan: Key Features

Section 3

- **Statewide Goals and Strategies**
  - Use of 90% and Discretionary Funds?
  - Not much to say here

- Communication Plan?

- Data Collection goals?
  - Limitations (5%)
  - Individual agency collection currently
Model State Plan: Key Features

Section 3

• **3.5. Eligible Entity Overall Satisfaction:**
  • Must provide State’s target for eligible entity overall Satisfaction during the performance period

• **Instructional Note:** The State’s target score will indicate improvement or maintenance of the States’ Overall Satisfaction score from the most recent American Customer Survey Index (ACSI) survey of the State’s eligible entities.
Model State Plan: Key Features
Section 3 ACSI Survey

- The American Customer Satisfaction Index (ACSI)
  - only national cross-industry/government measure of customer satisfaction in the United States.
  - independent, cost-effective, highly valid and reliable measure of satisfaction
Model State Plan: Key Features
Section 6

• Organizational Standards
• **6.4. Assessing against organizational standards**
  ▫ Peer-to-peer review (with validation by the State or State-authorized third party)
  ▫ Self-assessment (with validation by the State or State-authorized third party)
Model State Plan: Key Features

- Organizational Standards
- 6.4. Assessing against organizational standards
  - Self-assessment/peer review with State risk analysis
  - State-authorized third party validation
  - Regular, on-site CSBG monitoring
  - Other
Model State Plan: Key Features
Section 6 Org Standards

• Must identify the percentage CAA’s the State expect will meet all the State-adopted organizational standards in the next year

  associated with State Accountability Measures 6Sa
Model State Plan: Relationship to Accountability Standards

- 6Sa. The State developed implementation framework for organizational standards in cooperation with Eligible Entities and the CAA State Association (Yes/No)

- 6Sb. Organizational standards and the expectation to meet 100% of these Standards are included in the State Plan (Yes/No)

- 6Sc. Organizational standards and the expectation to meet 100% of these Standards are included in State contracts with eligible entities. (Yes/No)

- 6Sd. The State Plan includes identification of necessary T/TA to enable Eligible Entities to meet organizational standards (Yes/No)

- 6Se. The State measures and reports the number of Eligible Entities that meet the following percentage of organizational standards:
  - 100%
  - 90%-99%
  - 75%-89%
  - 50%-74%
  - Less than 50%
Model State Plan: Relationship to Accountability Standards

- 6Sf. The State has in place corrective action plans for all Eligible Entities meeting less than 90% of organizational standards (Yes/No)
Model State Plan: Key Features
Section 8

- State Training and Technical Assistance Plan

  - Timeframe
  - Type of Assistance
  - Topic
  - Source of Funds
Model State Plan: Key Features
Section 8

• State Training and Technical Assistance Plan
  ▫ Does the State have in place Technical Assistance Plans (TAPs) or Quality Improvement Plans (QIPs) for all eligible entities with unmet organizational standards?
Model State Plan: Key Features

Section 9 Linkages

- State Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) office
- State Weatherization office
- State Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) office
- State Head Start office
- State public health office
- State education department
- State Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) agency
- State budget office
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)
- State child welfare office
- State housing office
Model State Plan: Key Features

Section 9 Communication Plan

- Newsletter
- Mailing
- Meetings/Presentation
- Blog
- Email
- Website
- Social Media
- Other
Model State Plan: Key Features
Section 10 Fiscal Controls and Monitoring

- Full Monitoring Schedule, policies, procedures, including for Org Standards
- Number of CAA;s on QIP’s
- Documentation of the closure of findings
Model State Plan: Key Features
Section 11

• Eligible Entity Tripartite Board

  ▫ Tracking of Board Vacancies and Composition

  ▫ Require updates (e.g., copies of meeting minutes, vacancy alerts, changes to bylaws, low-income member selection process, etc.)

  ▫ Priority Item: Ensuring compliance with Board Composition Requirements!!!!!!!
Model State Plan: Key Features
Section 13

- ROMA

  - Community Action Plans must detail the ways in which performance measurement outcomes will be evaluated and adjusted with use of data
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The Results Oriented Management and Accountability Cycle

**Assessment**
Needs and Resources

**Evaluation**
Analyze data, compare with benchmarks

**Planning**
Use assessment data and agency mission statement to identify results, and strategies

**Achievement of Results**
Observe and report progress

**Implementation**
Strategies and services
Questions/Comments?

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