

OCSE Child Access & Visitation Program

Name of State: Connecticut

Part I: Contact Information

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Part II: Statistical Profile

- Total no. of minor children under 18 years of age living with one biological parent (1990 U.S. Census data) 242,910

Part III: Previous and Current Year Funding Levels

	<u>Federal \$ Grant</u>	<u>State \$ Match</u>	and	<u>Percentage</u>
• FFY 1997	\$124,181	\$13,798		10%
• FFY 1998	\$124,181	\$13,798		10%
• FFY 1999	\$110,105	\$12,234		10%
• FFY 2000	\$110,105	\$12,234		10%

Part IV: Summary of State's Proposed Use of FFY 2000 Grant Funds

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
Process for Awarding Funds:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request for Proposals (new & continuation) • New only • Continuation only • Other _____ 		

Time of Year RFP's are Issued and/or Funding Decisions Are Made:
 Fall _____ Winter _____ Spring _____ Summer _____

Award of Funds: Grants _____ Contracts _____ Cooperative Agreements _____

Targeted Priority Areas:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mediation <li style="padding-left: 20px;">voluntary <li style="padding-left: 20px;">mandatory • Counseling • Education • Parenting Plans • Visitation Enforcement <li style="padding-left: 20px;">monitoring <li style="padding-left: 20px;">supervision <li style="padding-left: 20px;">neutral drop-off/pick-up 	<table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tbody> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">Yes</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_X_</td> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">No</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">Yes</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">No</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">Yes</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_X_</td> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">No</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">Yes</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">No</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">Yes</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">No</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">Yes</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">No</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">Yes</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_X_</td> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">No</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">Yes</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> <td style="padding-left: 20px;">No</td> <td style="text-align: center;">_____</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Yes	_X_	No	_____	Yes	_____	No	_____	Yes	_X_	No	_____	Yes	_____	No	_____	Yes	_____	No	_____	Yes	_____	No	_____	Yes	_X_	No	_____	Yes	_____	No	_____	
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- **Development of Guidelines**

Visitation	Yes _____	No _____
Alternative custody arrangements	Yes _____	No _____

Summary Narrative: Proposed Use of FFY 2000 Funds

Connecticut proposes to use FFY 220 Child Access & Visitation Grant funds to support on-going mediation, supervised visitation, and court negotiation (intake) programs. However, the State has decided to contract with a new vendor for counseling services and parenting education to high conflict families. Connecticut reports that in the previous year 63 percent of those families (32 of 44) that participated in the medication program were able to reach agreement without having to go to court. With regard to supervised visitation, the “demand” for services exceeded the supply. Connecticut was able to provide supervised visitation services to 53 families.

Part V: Projects Funded by States with FFY 98 OCSE Dollars

Grantee Name, Address & Phone Number mothers	Amount of Award & Services Provided	Number of Parents Served:		
		Total #	% fathers	%
1. Visitation Access Project Hartford area (860) 515-5058	Mediation, supervised and therapeutic visitation, neutral drop-off and pick-up.			
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Participant Data: Part A
(by income and marital status)

Grantee Name & Program Title	Average Annual Income	Parent Participation Rates:		
		divorced	separated	unwed
1. Visitation Access Project	Less \$10,000 10 % \$10-19,000 80 % \$20-29,000 5 % \$30-39,000 5 %	15 %		85 %
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Participant Data: Part B
(by race/ethnicity)

Grantee Name	<u>RACIAL / ETHNIC BREAKOUT:</u>					
	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Native American	Pacific Islander
1. Visitation Access Project	15 %	25 %	60 %			
2.						
3.						
4.						
5.						
6.						

Don't Know _____

Other, _____

Sources of Client Referral

GRANTEE							
Agency	Self-Referral	TANF	Child Welfare	Child Support	Social Services	Courts	Private
1. Visitation Access Project	X			X		X	
2.							
3.							
4.							
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6.							