



Post Roundtable Program Integrity Actions

Based on the action plan developed from the October 27, 2010 Roundtable discussion OCFS has launched a multi-faceted, anti-fraud initiative to identify and investigate suspected fraud cases.

July 2011, the Child Care Time and Attendance System (CCTA) was implemented in all social services districts outside of New York City. CCTA helps identify the following Red Flags:

- Parents/caretakers use a password to check the child in and out of the system automatically,
- Attendance data is captured in the system in real time,
- The system captures “exceptions”,
- CCTA interfaces with NY’s regulatory database to confirm that the provider is licensed/registered and is in a payable status both at time of authorization and when making the payment,
- Biometric devices to be piloted.

September 2011, OCFS issued a Request for Information (RFI) seeking information about technical solutions for preventing and detecting fraud in the child care subsidy program. Seventeen vendors responded making 14 presentations (some of the vendors partnered). Lessons learned, Spectrum of services should include, but are not limited to:

- Data integration
- Rules management
- Anomaly detection
- Predictive modeling
- Social networking analysis
- Forensic review
- Fraud case management

October 2011, the child care subsidy fraud regulations were implemented. The child care subsidy regulations provided local social services districts with more authority to stop child care payments where appropriate and initiate enforcement actions against child care providers when they are found to be engaging in fraudulent activities.

December 2011, OCFS made funds available so that local social services districts could apply for a competitive grants program, the purpose of which was to provide districts with some of the resources they need for detecting, prosecuting, and preventing child care subsidy fraud.

March 2012, OCFS announced the winners of the Child Care Fraud Prevention and Detection Incentive Grants.

OCFS is also developing a Request for Proposals (RFP) for technical solutions to help identify, investigate and prosecute fraudulent recipients of child care assistance or providers.