

State of Mississippi TATE REEVES Governor

August 15, 2024

Dr. Lanikque Howard, Director Office of Community Services Administration for Children and Families U.S. Department of Health and Human Services 370 L'Enfant Promenade, S.W., 5th Floor, West Washington, D.C. 20024

Dear Dr. Howard:

cc:

I hereby authorize Mr. Robert G. ("Bob") Anderson, Executive Director of the Mississippi Department of Human Services (MDHS) to be the official signature authority for all assurances by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) and Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) grant applications outlined in the respective statute, as amended. I, Tate Reeves, Governor of the State of Mississippi delegate my authority to Mr. Anderson, Executive Director of MDHS to certify to the 16 assurances outlined in the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981, as amended, and otherwise perform all necessary functions to properly administer the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program.

If you have any questions or need any additional information, please contact Mr. Anderson at (601)359-4457 or P.O. Box 352, Jackson, Mississippi 39205.

Sincerely,

Tate Reeves

Governor

Mr. Bob Anderson (Bob.Anderson@mdhs.ms.gov)



July 29, 2024

Dr. Lanikque Howard, Director Office of Community Services Administration for Children and Families U.S. Department of Health and Human Services 370 L'Enfant Promenade, S.W., 5th Floor, West Washington, D.C.

Dear Dr. Howard:

I hereby authorize the Director of the Division of Community Services (DCS) of the Mississippi Department of Human Services (MDHS), to be the official designee of signature authority for all funds appropriated to MDHS-DCS by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services for the On-Line Data Collection System (OLDC) purpose only. In addition, I authorize the Director of the Division of Community Services to sign all assurances for the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) and Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) grant applications outlined in the respective statutes, as amended. I, Bob Anderson, Executive Director of MDHS delegate my authority to the Director of the Division of Community Services to certify to the 16 assurances outlined in the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981, as amended, and otherwise perform all necessary functions to properly administer the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program.

The Director of the Division of Community Services, Ms. Tina Ruffin, will serve as the state liaison for the implementation of the CSBG and LIHEAP programs. All routine correspondence from your office should be directed to Ms. Ruffin and you may contact her directly at P.O. Box 352, Jackson, Mississippi 39205 or telephone (601)359-4768.

Sincerely,

Robert G. "Bob" Anderson

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Executive Director

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