



**State of Florida
Department of Children and Families**

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DATE: June 21, 2011

TO: David E. Wilkins
Secretary

FROM:  Dawn E. Case
Inspector General

SUBJECT: Six-Month Status Report for Auditor General Report No. 2011-037

In accordance with Section 20.055(5)(h), Florida Statutes, enclosed is our six-month status report on Auditor General Report No. 2011-037, *"Department of Children and Family Services – Procurement and Expenditure Processes and Prior Audit Follow-up, Operational Audit."*

If I may be of further assistance, please let me know.

Enclosure

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**Six-Month Status Report
Department of Children and Family Services
Procurement and Expenditure Processes
and Prior Audit Follow-up
Operational Audit**

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to provide a written response to the Secretary on the status of corrective actions taken six months after the Auditor General published Report No. 2011-037, *Department of Children and Family Services – Procurement and Expenditure Processes and Prior Audit Follow-up, Operational Audit.*

REPORT FINDINGS, COMMENTS & STATUS

The Department was responsible for providing updated status and corrective action comments for findings one and two. Presented below are the full text of the Auditor General's recommendations and up-to-date corrective action comments and status, as reported by the Child Care Services (PDCC) and Administrative Services (AS) staff.

RECOMMENDATION #1: *The Department should continue efforts to ensure that child care providers meet the licensure training requirements and that inspections appropriately measure compliance with governing laws and rules.*

Status (per Child Care Services staff): Partially Completed

The Statewide Quality Assurance Monitoring of all regions has been completed. The draft monitoring reports for each region have been submitted for review. The reports reflect the monitoring of licensure inspections to ensure compliance with governing rules and laws, with the emphasis that child care provider staff meet licensure training requirements.

Received verification from the five Regional Safety Program Managers attesting that all staff have received the information from the Auditor General's report.

RECOMMENDATION #2: *We recommend that Contract Oversight Unit (COU) staff ensure that the revised Community-Based Care (CBC) Subcontract Monitoring Tool is used when evaluating CBC lead agency compliance regarding subcontractors.*

Status (per Administrative Services staff): Completed

The Contract Oversight Unit staff are using the revised CBC Subcontract Monitoring Tool when subcontracting is included in the scope for on-site monitoring.

This follow up audit was conducted as required by Sections 20.055(5)(h), Florida Statutes and 2500 A1 of the International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing as published by the Institute of Internal Auditors. Elton Jones compiled this follow up audit from representations provided by program management. Please address inquiries regarding this report to Jerry Chesnutt, Director of Auditing, at (850) 488 3777.