Grant Title: NATIONAL CENTER ON PARENT, FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Funding Opportunity Number: HHS-2010-ACF-OHS-HC-0087. CFDA Number(s): 93.600.

Agency/Department: Administration for Children and Families.

Area of Research: Develop and implement effective practices related to the engagement of parents, families and community partners in the early learning and school readiness of children.


Application Deadline: July 12, 2010.

Amount: Award Ceiling: $3,000,000 per budget period. Award Floor: $2,500,000 per budget period. One award.

Length of Support: Up to five years.

Eligible Applicants: Public and State controlled institutions of higher education. See the full application for a complete list of eligible applicants.

Summary: The goals of the Center are to provide a vehicle for the dissemination of clear, consistent messages about the kind of parent and family engagement that are positively associated with improvements in young children’s learning. The Center will showcase research-based practices related to family support services, strong parent-child relationships, parent early literacy strategies, parent social networks, early learning educational transitions, parent leadership and advocacy, and professional development for Head Start staff who work with families. The Center will also assist States in improving the kinds of family engagement practices that are a necessary part of a well coordinated system of early care and education. The Center's work will include, but not be limited to, topics such as professional development for staff who work with families; family support services; positive parent-child relationships; parents as first and lifelong educators; parent connections to peers and community; intentional transitions; and parent leadership and advocacy. The information and materials will be available to HS/EHS programs as well as to others involved in early education. The Center will work collaboratively and cooperatively with the other National Centers, State T/TA Centers, and other early educators. The Center will also assist organizations to implement and enhance the infrastructure necessary to support a well managed system of early education at the State level.

Detailed Information: http://www.acf.hhs.gov/grants/open/foa/view/HHS-2010-ACF-OHS-HC-0087