

## Head Start Reauthorization: P.L. 110-134

### ACF-IM-HS-08-01

#### Abstract

On December 12, 2007, President Bush signed "Improving Head Start for School Readiness Act of 2007" reauthorizing the Head Start program. [Public Law 110-134](#) authorizes Head Start through September 30, 2012. This law contains significant revisions to the previous Head Start Act. Attached is an Information Memorandum that contains some of the major requirements in this Act that have an impact on Head Start programs.

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#### INFORMATION MEMORANDUM [[See Attachment at the bottom](#)]

**TO:** Head Start and Early Head Start Grantees and Delegate Agencies

**SUBJECT:** Head Start Reauthorization

#### INFORMATION:

On December 12, 2007, President Bush signed into law the reauthorization of the Head Start program. This law (P.L. 110-134) authorizes Head Start through September 30, 2012 and contains significant revisions to the previous Head Start Act. Attached is a listing of some of the major requirements in this Act that have an impact on local Head Start programs. A copy of P.L. 110-134 can be found on Head Start's Early Childhood Learning and Knowledge Center (ECLKC) <http://eclkc.ohs.acf.hhs.gov/hslc>. This law needs to be read together with P.L. 105-285, the Head Start Act of 1998, which has been amended by P.L. 110-134. The Office of Head Start will post a copy of the compilation of the Head Start Act, as amended, on the ECLKC in the near future.

All Head Start programs are strongly encouraged to carefully read this law (and the amended Act as soon as it is available). Programs are also encouraged to regularly review the Policy Clarification site on the ECLKC, as the Office of Head Start, through the issuance of several Policy Clarifications, will be highlighting some of the new

requirements that grantees and delegate agencies will be required to meet. (A copy of these Policy Clarifications will also be forwarded to all Head Start programs.)

Please direct any questions on this Information Memorandum to your OHS Regional Office.

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