

RESPONSE FORM

BREAKFAST SEMINAR ON

THE DEVIL IS IN THE DETAILS
DIFFERING PROGRAM RULES ACROSS AFDC, FOOD STAMPS & MEDICAID

Friday, February 10, 1995

8:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Washington Court Hotel (525 New Jersey Avenue, NW)

Name _____
Invitations are not transferrable

Phone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____

- ☐ Yes, I will participate in both the breakfast and seminar on Friday, February 10.
☐ Yes, I will participate in the seminar, but will *not* be at the breakfast (8:00-8:30 a.m.).
☐ No, I will not be able to participate.

*Please help us make this seminar productive by responding to the following questions.
We will share the responses, but not who said what, at the seminar.*

From what you know about AFDC, Food Stamps and Medicaid—and by looking at the enclosed *Primer on Program Rules for Five Major Federal Programs*—what do you think is the most important question or issue for this seminar to address?

—more—

How would combining the federal programs you know best into block grants affect children, families and communities?

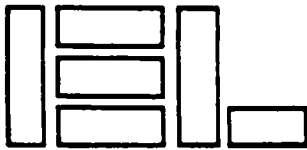
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- ☐ There are no changes.
☐ Updated information is below.

Also, please give us the names, titles, offices and (if you can) phone numbers of *other people* who should be invited to future seminars.

Please add any other comments or suggestions, including: special dietary needs or food allergies; or services you require because of a disability.

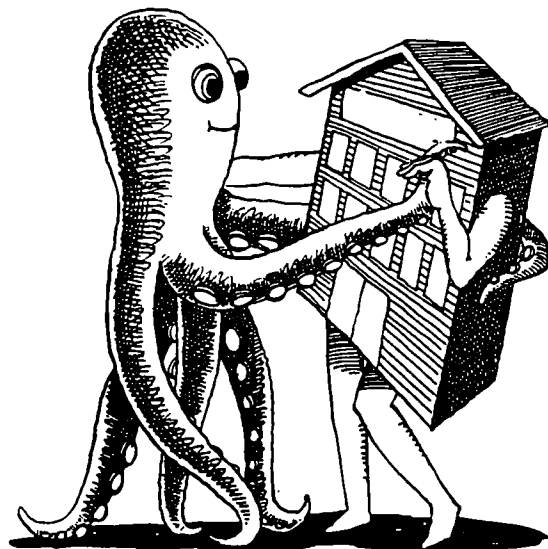
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as soon as you can, but no later than Friday, February 3, 1995.



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THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL/INTERAGENCY POLICY EXCHANGE

The educational, health, social services and employment needs of children and families are intricately intertwined. The same child who is at risk of school failure is frequently also at risk of poor health. A child who is homeless has difficulty completing his or her homework. A child who lives among drugs and violence at night is ill-prepared to flourish academically during the day. A three-pound baby in neonatal intensive care today is likely to be a special education student tomorrow.



*Collaboration is like dancing with an octopus,
with each agency or organization a "tentacle."*

While policy *makers* are increasingly recognizing these relationships, the policy *landscape* does not reflect this recognition. At the same time that many communities are struggling to make services more comprehensive and coordinated, state and federal legislative committees, executive branch agencies, interest groups, and postsecondary preparatory programs are overwhelmingly organized by narrow service sectors—education, health, social services, juvenile justice, labor and so forth.

The Intergovernmental/Interagency Policy Exchange is a nonpartisan mechanism to help reshape the policy landscape to reflect the current realities of children, families and communities. Its aim is to create a forum where policy makers and practitioners can learn about cross-cutting and cutting-edge ideas so that they can lead the way to systemic change.



Special Education

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Medicaid

Can we ~~can~~ get
States to recognize

- this kind of care ^{treatment} is much
better

Ms. Carol Rasco
Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy
The White House
West Wing, 2nd Floor
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Ms. Rasco,

You were kind enough to meet with the Foster Family-based Treatment Association (FFTA) Board of Directors during our national conference held in Washington, D.C. last August. As you know, FFTA supports a highly supported and structured form of family-based placement for children as an alternative to more expensive forms of institutional care. Several recent events seem to have propelled the services offered by our members into positions of increased prominence. Concepts borrowed from the health care system (private managed care, capitated caseloads, various reviews and cost containment mechanisms) are just beginning to effect the care of children. Added to this stew is the renewed public attention on orphanages occasioned by the Speaker's recent remarks.

When we last met you encouraged us to get back in touch with you after the first of the year. You indicated the Administration was planning to begin discussions regarding blended funding models and perhaps other areas interest you felt we should join.

The FFTA Board will be meeting in Washington, D.C. February 12-14 and we would love to pursue these conversations with you or the appropriate parties. A few of us may be able to extend our stays in the District for a couple of days if there are people in the Executive Branch you would advise us to meet with.

We are most grateful for your interest in our work in behalf of family-based placements for children.

Sincerely,
Jay A. Berlin, Ph. D.,
President

FFTA



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Private care
to children?
Are we going to
be able to survive
in the next 10 years?
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to me talk of orphanages
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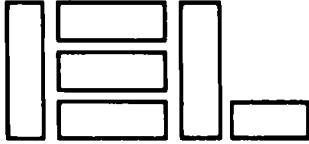
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January 17, 1994

William A. Galston
Deputy Assistant to the President for Domestic Policy
Domestic Policy Council
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Bill:

I am writing to invite you to an IEL Policy Exchange seminar on Friday, February 10, 1995. The topic of this seminar is *The Devil Is in the Details: Differing Program Rules Across AFDC, Food Stamps and Medicaid*. The seminar will be from 8:00 to 10:30 a.m. at the Washington Court Hotel on Capitol Hill. *Invitations are not transferrable.*

The issues of conflicting program eligibility and procedures are especially relevant to the heated policy debate that has already begun in the Congress and across the country—proposals to "block grant" federal monies to states, to reform the welfare system, and to transfer current federal responsibilities to the states ("devolution"). But few people understand the details of the rules for AFDC, Food Stamps and Medicaid.

The enclosed *Primer on Program Rules for Five Major Federal Programs* provides the context for the seminar discussion, which will focus on policy implications of all of these rules. *We urge to look through the Primer before the seminar.*

The information in the *Primer* was developed in response to a bipartisan letter from nine Senators asking Secretaries Shalala, Espy and Cisneros to issue reports outlining the differences in program rules under AFDC, Food Stamps, Medicaid, Section 8 Housing and Low-Rent Public Housing. The idea for this letter grew out of an October 1993 Policy Exchange seminar.

Featured guests at this roundtable discussion will be:

Sarah Shuptrine (President of Sarah Shuptrine and Associates);

Lavinia Limon (Director of the Office of Family Assistance at the Department of Health and Human Services);

Michael Fishman (Director of the Office of Analysis and Evaluation at the Department of Agriculture); and

Sally Richardson (Director of the Medicaid Bureau at the Health Care Financing Administration at HHS).

Participants at this seminar will be bipartisan staff of the major Congressional committees and subcommittees that deal with issues affecting children and families, as well as representatives from the Executive Branch departments that administer these programs.

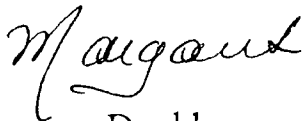
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The seminar will begin at 8:00 a.m. and end at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, February 10, 1995 at the Washington Court Hotel on Capitol Hill, 525 New Jersey Avenue, NW. A continental breakfast will be available at 8:00 a.m. and the seminar will start at 8:30 a.m. The panel will provide a brief overview of issues, and most of the seminar will be devoted to discussion and answering questions from participants.

Space is limited, so please mail or fax the enclosed Response Form as soon as possible, but no later than Friday, February 3.

I look forward to seeing you on February 10. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me. 

Sincerely,



Margaret Dunkle
Director
IEL Policy Exchange

P.S. Additional copies of *Primer on Program Rules for Five Major Federal Programs* are available for \$15 prepaid, from the Institute for Educational Leadership Policy Exchange, Suite 310, 1001 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20036.

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A PRIMER ON PROGRAM RULES FOR FIVE MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAMS

AFDC
Food Stamps
Medicaid
Section 8 Housing
and
Low-Rent Public Housing

The recent elections
reshaped the political landscape.
Are current federal programs
so hopelessly complex
that large block grants to the states
are the only answer?
Or do these programs just need
a little tinkering
to make them work better?
The facts are inside.
Decide for yourself. . . .

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