

October 15, 2020

Ann Coffin, Director Child Support Enforcement PO Box 8030 Tallahassee, FL 32399-7016

Dear Director Coffin:

On October 5, 2020, OCSE received your request for flexibility under the Stafford Act pursuant to DCL-20-04. As a result of the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic, Florida requested the following flexibilities:

- 1. The 90 calendar day timeframe set forth in 45 CFR 303.4(d) be extended to 180 calendar days.
- 2. The 30 calendar day timeframe set forth in 45 CFR 303.6(c)(2) be extended to 60 calendar days.
- 3. The 60 calendar day timeframe set forth in 45 CFR 303.6(c)(2) be extended to 120 calendar days.
- 4. The 20 calendar day timeframe set forth in 45 CFR 303.7(c)(4)(i) and (ii) be extended to 40 calendar days.
- 5. The 10 working day timeframe set forth in 45 CFR 303.7(d)(9) be extended to 20 working days.
- 6. The 10 working day timeframe set forth in 45 CFR 303.7(d)(3) be extended to 60 working days.
- 7. The request to use the revised UIFSA forms as set forth in <u>AT-19-08</u> be extended to December 31, 2021.

In accordance with the Stafford Act, the above requested modifications are approved beginning January 20, 2020, and expiring at the end of the major disaster declaration for your jurisdiction.

The following additional request cannot be approved at this time as it is beyond the administrative program requirements that can be waived or held harmless under the Stafford Act authority.

1. Temporary relief from the TANF penalty for FY 2020 and 2021 from the requirements in 45 CFR 305.40(a)(1) to achieve a Paternity Establishment Percentage equal to or greater than 90%.

Please maintain communication with your Regional Program Manager regarding the status of your state's major disaster declaration. If you have any questions concerning the approved request or need technical assistance, please contact Jacqueline Mull at Jacqueline.Mull@acf.hhs.gov.

Sincerely,

Scott M. Lekan Acting Commissioner

cc: Jacqueline Mull, OCSE Regional Program Manager, Region 4 Melissa Johnson, Director, OCSE Division of Regional Operations Yvette Riddick, Director, OCSE Division of Policy and Training