
OFFICE OF GOVERNOR RONNIE MUSGROVE
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: GOVERNOR
FROM: RILEY
SUBJECT: DESIGNATION OF DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO ADMINISTER GRANT FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTERS
DATE 11/18/00
CC: BOYD
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The State Department of Health has requested that you sign the attached letter designating the department as the lead agency for administering the grant for domestic violence shelters.

The Family Violence Prevention and Services Act assists states and Native American tribes, Alaskan villages and tribal organizations in supporting the establishment, maintenance, and expansion of programs and projects to prevent incidents of family violence. The legislation also provides immediate shelter and related assistance for victims of family violence and their dependents.

The State Department of Health is the state agency currently designated for administration of these funds. The funds are utilized for contracts with local domestic violence shelter programs throughout the state to provide immediate shelter and related assistance to victims of family violence and their children. The State Department of Health has contracts with thirteen shelters for the provision of services. Funds are also utilized for a public awareness campaign aimed at preventing incidents of family violence.

Your signature is requested on the attached letter.

November 20, 2000

Mr. William Riley, Program Manager
Family Violence Prevention and Services
Office of Community Services, ACF, HHS
370 L'Enfant Promenade, S.W.
Fifth Floor West
Washington, D.C. 20447-0001

Dear Mr. Riley:

I have designated the Mississippi State Department of Health as the agency responsible for the administration of the Family Violence Prevention and Services Funds of the Office of Community Services, Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The application for the Mississippi Family Violence Prevention Project is enclosed for your review.

As directed in the regulations, the application contains the procedures that will be followed and all appropriate assurances. Dr. F. E. Thompson, State Health Officer, is authorized to sign all necessary assurances for this project on my behalf for the remainder of my term as governor. Any inquiries or correspondence should be addressed to his attention. Thank you for your consideration of this application.

Very truly yours,

RONNIE MUSGROVE

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