



HCAP Head Start Annual Report 2009 – 2010

This Annual Report summarized key information about the HCAP Head Start Program for the program year 2009 – 2010.

Parent Involvement Activities

Recognizing that parents are their child's first teacher, Head Start encourages and supports parent involvement with the child's education. There are several ways that parents may choose to be involved to gain the skills and tools necessary to continue making a lasting difference in their child's life:

- Direct involvement in decision making in program planning and operations, the Parent Committee works closely with teachers to decide what kind of education and learning experiences their children will receive. Parents are able to share their opinions and are also responsible for electing their representative from the Parent Committee to the governing body, Policy Council; Geographic parent conferences entitled "Developing Parent Leadership" were held in Honolulu, Windward, and Leeward areas
- Participation in classroom and other program activities as classroom volunteers and offering suggestions for classroom activities; Volunteer In-kind contributions exceeded the required match for the State
- Developing activities for parents such as sharing personal interests and hobbies with children, workshops and meetings; Health Fairs for the children and families were held in Kalihi and Wahiawa communities while a Nutrition workshop was provided for the Waianae community
- In cooperation with staff, working with their own children participating in home visits, developing goals for their child, and parent-teacher conferences held 3 times a year

School Readiness

A primary goal for Head Start is to prepare the children for successful transition to Kindergarten. This was accomplished by:

- Individualizing the educational program to meet each child's needs
- Using Creative Curriculum as a basis for planning and monitoring developmentally appropriate activities for the children
- Measuring each child's progress towards Kindergarten readiness through Outcome Measures Report generated 3 times a year in the Spring, Fall, and Winter

Average Monthly Enrollments

HCAP Head Start has a Funded Enrollment of 1650 children

- The total number of children served 1,911
- The total number of families served 1,896
- The average monthly enrollment as a percentage of funded enrollment 99%
- The percentage of eligible children served 96%

Medical and Dental Services

Head Start emphasizes the importance of early identification of health problems. The program ensures every child receives comprehensive health assessments, including medical, dental, mental health, and nutrition services, as needed. (Percentages are reported from PIR 08-09)

- The percentage of enrolled children that received medical exams 102.20%
- The percentage of enrolled children that received dental exams 102.52%

Total Grant Funding (2009 – 2010)

Funding for HCAP Head Start is provided by the Federal Administration for Children and Families (ACF). Total Head Start federal funding for the period of April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010 was \$12,034,431. Due to the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funding provided by the Obama Administration, the program received additional funding for COLA and Quality Improvement of \$835,190 for the period of July 1, 2009 to September 30, 2010.

Budget Expenditures

During the April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010 fiscal year, a total of \$12,034,431 was expended by the HCAP Head Start program. The budget expenditures for ARRA funding are anticipated to be spent in total by September 30, 2010.

Federal Monitoring and Financial Audit

The last Federal Review of the HCAP Head Start program was conducted in May 2008. There were no areas of non compliance. The next triennial federal review is occurring this year anytime from October 1, 2010 to September 30, 2011.

The agency's most recent financial audit report had no findings.