**Section 235.130 Application Content and Approval for Continuation Programs**

The requirements of this Section shall apply to those applicants seeking funding to continue either training, technical assistance and support programs or web-based services grants beyond the initial grant period.

a) In order to continue to provide services outlined in the initial Grant Agreement funded under this Subpart B, a grantee, each year, shall electronically submit an application for continuation. The application shall include at least the following:

1) a description of activities undertaken to date and any other information required to be reported, demonstrating that the project has been implemented in conformance with the Grant Agreement;

2) an updated scope of the work that discusses the services and activities for which the funding will be used, as articulated in the application for continuation, and a rationale for the activities to be undertaken;

3) budget summary and payment schedule, as well as a narrative budget description, i.e., a detailed explanation of each line item of expenditure;

4) information about any subcontractors proposed to provide services or conduct activities; and

5) the certifications and assurances referred to in Section 235.110(a)(6) applicable to the renewal period.

b) A program established under this Subpart B shall be approved for continuation, provided that:

1) a need continues to exist for the program or services, and the specific services and activities proposed meet the priorities set forth in the application for continuation;

2) the activities and services proposed will be effective in providing high-quality training, technical assistance and supports, or web-based services, as applicable, that meet the needs of Early Childhood Block Grant recipients and other providers;

3) the proposed budget is cost-effective, as evidenced by the cost of proposed services in relation to the numbers to be served and the services to be provided; and

4) in the year previous to the continuation application, the applicant complied with the terms and conditions of any grant it received under this Subpart B.

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