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SUBJECT: Limited English Proficiency Complaint Procedures

Please contact the Policy Unit if you have any questions regarding these or any other changes at *DCSE-POLICYQUESTIONS, CSE.POLICY or (602) 771-8127.

The IV-D PARTNERS should send POLICY inquiries directly to DCSE-POLICYQUESTIONS@azdes.gov

DCSE shall provide quality and timely assistance services to customers with limited English proficiency (LEP).

Each local office will designate a staff member responsible for resolving LEP complaints. The staff member will act as a specialist for the DES Director's Office of Equal Opportunity (DOEO).

When any person expresses an interest in filing a written LEP complaint, designated staff shall take the following actions:

- 1. Explain the discrimination complaint process using the Discrimination Complaint (J-098) form that is available in the DES Digital Library.
- 2. Complete the Discrimination Complaint (J-020) form.
- 3. Document the LEP complaint on the complaint log (CSE-1173A). Local office management maintains the complaint log.
- 4. Fax or Interoffice Mail the J-020 to the Administrative Director of DES.

The J-098, J-020, and CSE-1173A forms are available in the Digital Library.

When complaints are filed through DES, DOEO completes the following:

- 1. Notifies in writing the person or participant filing the complaint that a written response is sent upon completion of the investigation.
- Notifies in writing the person or participant filing the complaint of the right to file directly with the correct federal office when a resolution is not reached through the DOEO procedure.
- 3. Provides a copy of the complaint charged to the Assistant Director of DCSE.
- 4. Conducts an investigation.

LEP procedures may be found in OPPM under the book titled Limited English Proficiency.

Staff are urged to view this information directly on OPPM and not create a separate personal file. Click on the link http://dcsepc. You will find this Policy Update in Policy Updates 2010.