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From: Jill Cohen <jcohen@coloradorpc.org>
Sent: Tuesday, October 11, 2022 3:35 PM
To: Stocco, Janet
Cc: Senft, Samuel; Nixon, Lucia
Subject: RE: quick follow-up question from Maine

This message originates from outside the Maine Legislature.

Hi Janet.

Good, an easy question!

We will serve the first 50 families in our pilot – first come, first serve. We will review the data for those families.

We will continue to serve families after the pilot, so I do not anticipate rejecting any families who are eligible. We can include more of our attorneys in the project if necessary and we have sufficient 4E funds to proceed for the next couple of years unless something unpredictable happens (which is always possible).

Thanks, Jill

From: Stocco, Janet <Janet.Stocco@legislature.maine.gov>
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Dear Jill,

Thank you again for being so generous with your time and expertise, both in helping us staff understand ORPC's Preventive Legal Services Program and in presenting to Maine's *Commission to Develop a Pilot Program to Provide Legal Representation to Families in the Child Protection System* last week on your day off!

During the Commission's discussions later in the meeting last Monday, a question arose: how does the ORPC Preventive Legal Services Program select the 50 families that it will serve in Jefferson County? Will the first 50 families who are referred to the program and who qualify for service be served (first-come, first-served) or is there another way to triage or select which families should be served by the pilot program?

Thank you for your continued assistance!

Sincerely, Janet

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