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New Resources Added to CFSR Information Portal

Many new resources are now publicly available on the CFSR Information Portal's [Round 4 Resources](#) section. Highlights of new materials added include:

- [Technical Bulletin #13A](#), provides updates on the measurement and case review sampling framework for CFSR Round 4.
- [National Call Series](#), including videos, PowerPoints, and a survey
- [Spotlight Series](#), from the Capacity Building Center for Courts, Spotlights CFSR-related topics for the legal and judicial communities.
- [Requirements and Benefits of State-Led Reviews](#), discusses the factors, requirements, and benefits for states when considering a State-Led CFSR.
- [State-Led CFSR Case Review Criteria](#), provides details on how states and the Children's Bureau will work to verify each state's ability to meet the case review criteria to conduct a State-Led Review for CFSR Round 4.
- [Guide for Writing "No" Narratives and Rationale Statements](#), recommended for reviewers to ensure that "No" Narratives and Rationale Statements succinctly and comprehensively provide the information required to support answers to OSRI questions.
- [CFSR Round 4 Process Graphic](#), shows the CFSR and Program Improvement Plan process timeline, from the statewide assessment through the post-PIP evaluation period.
- [Fact Sheets](#), for legal and judicial communities, Tribal child welfare officials, caseworkers, youth, foster and adoptive parents, elected officials, community providers, and parents and caregivers, along with a general fact sheet about the CFSRs.
- [Logistics page](#) with CFSR Year 1 schedule.

Spanish translations of Round 4 CFSR materials are in the works and are being posted as they become available.

Round 4 OMS: Preparing for Launch This Summer

The Round 4 Online Monitoring System (OMS) will have a new look and feel and will be ready for states' use later this summer. The basic navigation and layout of the OMS will remain the

same as in Round 3, but a number of enhancements and efficiencies have been added to help states conduct reviews and use the OMS and data more effectively. The Round 4 Onsite Review Instrument and Instructions (OSRI) in the OMS will be available for immediate use once the Round 4 OMS is launched to states. The Child Welfare Reviews Project will send additional instructions and materials on using the Round 4 OMS to all states in the coming months, and will work with existing OMS State Administrator(s) for each state to set up CFSRs and CQI reviews (for the states that intend to use the Round 4 OMS for ongoing CQI purposes). The materials will include an updated CFSR User Request Form for OMS State Administrators to complete and submit when adding state staff to the CFSR Information Portal and the Round 4 OMS.

Round 4 Data Profiles Coming in August 2022

CFSR Data Profiles display a state's Risk-Standardized Performance (RSP), observed performance, and data quality check results. Profiles are released every 6 months, in February and August. The Round 4 CFSR Data Profiles, set to be released in August 2022, will also have a new look and feel. The profiles will now include a new cover page that visualizes a state's RSP for the most recent 6-month period, along with a chart visualizing performance on each indicator over time. The profiles will also include updated national performance values for each indicator. For detailed information on the changes to the Round 4 Statewide Data Indicators, see [Technical Bulletin #13A](#).

CFSR Unit Members and States

The CFSR Unit comprises both federal staff (Program Specialist) and contractor staff (Child Welfare Specialist). Members of the CFSR Unit work in partnership with the Children's Bureau Regional Offices and states to administer all components of the CFSRs and Program Improvement Plans. Here is a list of the CFSR Unit members and their state assignments:

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