North Texas Parent and Child Development Inc. Policy and Procedures Social Services Effective Date: 10/9/2010 New: \_X\_\_ Revised: \_\_\_

**Subject: Process for Establishing Selection Criteria** 

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## **Policy**

North Texas Parent and Child Development, Inc., Early Head Start will establish selection criteria that considers the income of eligible families, the age of the child, and other factors determined to show greatest need based on the Community Assessment.

## **Procedure**

- 1. North Texas Parent and Child Development, Inc., Early Head Start will conduct a Community Assessment within Wichita County once every three years and update annually. The community assessment will include the demographic makeup of eligible children and families, other child development and child care programs that serve Head Start eligible children, the estimated number of children with disabilities under the age of 4, data regarding the education, health, nutrition, and social service needs of Head Start eligible children, and resources in the community that could be used to address the needs of Head Start eligible children and families including assessments of availability and accessibility.
- 2. Early Head Start will review the community assessment and establish selection criteria based on the child's age and income and other factors determined to show the most need.
- 3. Selection criteria will be presented to Policy Council and the Board of Directors for approval.
- 4. Once approved, all applicants will be ranked according to the approved selection criteria.