Evaluation of the Title IV-E Waiver Demonstration in North Carolina

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PREFACE

This report summarizes North Carolina’s experience during the first half of a five-year project to demonstrate the cost-effectiveness of new approaches to service authorized by a waiver of Title IV-E regulations. It has three objectives. First, it describes the progress counties have made in implementing new practices and approaches to service authorized under the Waiver. Second, it describes a baseline against which the eventual results of the demonstration can be evaluated. Third, it demonstrates the appropriateness and feasibility of the analytic methods being used to determine the demonstration’s cost-effectiveness.

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