

State Executive Council (SEC) for Children's Services

Notice of Intent to Develop/Revise Policy

Approved for Public Comment by the SEC: June 15, 2026

Public Comment Period Ends: July 30, 2026

Number and Name of Proposed/Revised Policy:

Policy 4.5.1 – Protected Funds

Basis and Purpose of the Proposed/Revised Policy:

Section [2.2-2648.D.3](#) of the Code of Virginia requires the State Executive Council to “provide for the establishment of interagency programmatic and fiscal policies developed by the Office of Children's Services, which support the purposes of the Children's Services Act (§ [2.2-5200](#) et seq.), through the promulgation of regulations by the participating state boards or by administrative action, as appropriate.”

The proposed changes to the existing policy 4.5.1 align the policy with the standard policy format adopted by the State Executive Council in September 2022 by adding sections 4.5.1.1 (Purpose), 4.5.1.2 (Authority), 4.5.1.3 (Definitions), 4.5.1.4(Protected Funds), and 4.5.1.5 (Policy Review), as well as footers to denote dates of Adoption, Effect, Revision, and page numbers.

Summary of the Proposed Policy:

Policy 4.5.1 provides guidance to local Children's Services Act (CSA) programs about the allocation and utilization of CSA-protected funds.

Preliminary Fiscal Impact Analysis:

There is no anticipated fiscal impact of the revisions to this policy on either the Commonwealth or local governments as this population is currently being served through the CSA.