

DCFS ACRONYMS AND TERMS

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* = OBSOLETE ACRONYMS AND TERMS

A	
ABAWD	Able-Bodied Adult Without Dependents
ACCESS	A Comprehensive Enterprise Social Services System (ACCESS)
ACF	Administration for Children and Families (Under the United States Department of Health and Human Services)
ACH	Automated Clearing House, relates to EFT/EDI/EBT
AD	Adoption Program
ADABAS	Software AG's Database Product Adaptable Data Base System
ADE	Applications Development Environment
AEI	Automated Enforcement Interstate (for LASES)
AFC	Alternative Family Care
AFCARS	Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System
AFDC *	Aid to Families with Dependent Children (now FITAP)
AFDC-UP	Aid to Families with Dependent Children--Unemployed Parent (Now KCSP)
AOC	Automated Operation's Console (from IBM)
AP	ES – Absent Parent (LASES, The new correct term is non-custodial parent)
	CW – Adoption Petition
APD	Advance Planning Document
APPLICATIONS GROUP	The IT Unit responsible for the development, implementation and maintenance of computer applications that support the business of the Department.
AR	Authorized Representative
AR/FTC	Administrative Review/Family Team Conference
AS	Administrative Services
ASFA	Adoption and Safe Families Act
ATL	Automatic Tape Loader (The Robot)
B	
BATS	Billing And Tracking System
BA-7	Budget Adjustment (Form)

BENCHMARK TESTING	Benchmark Testing usually refers to testing against a set of pre-determined standards, volume, expected response times, or expected response results. This is sometimes interchanged with Performance Testing.
BENDEX	BENeficiary Data EXchange system
BHSF	Bureau of Health Services Financing (Medicaid)
BLAS	Bureau of Licensing Application System
BR	Budget Request (Document or Form)
BRIS	Blind Register Information System
C	
CAFÉ	Common Access Front End
CAP	Cost Allocation Plan
CAPS	Child Care Assistance Program System
CASE	Computer Aided Software Engineering
CB	Continuation Budget (Document or Form)
CBT	Computer Based Training
CC	Children's Code
CCAP	Child Care Assistance Program
CCDF	Child Care Development Fund
CCU	Centralized Collections Unit (for LASES)
CEP	Clinical Evaluation Program
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CFSR	Children and Family Service Review
Ch. C.	Children's Code
CHOL	Change of Location
CHOW	Change of Ownership
CID	Case Identification (number) (LAMI)
CINC	Child in Need of Care
CLIENT	An online query system providing information about all clients receiving DCFS/DHH services.
CNF	Criminal Neglect of Family
COA	Council on Accreditation
COBRA	Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (of 1985)
CODE-1 PLUS	Group1 Software's product to answer address standardization and verification needs for online & batch.
COLA	Cost Of Living Adjustment
CONNECTIONS	Customer Publication from Software AG
CONSTRUCT	Product used to generate Natural code from Software AG
CP	Custodial Parent (for LASES)
CPA	Child Placing Agency
CPI	Child Protection Investigations

CPTP	Comprehensive Public Training Program – online computer Classes available on DCFS Intranet through DOA.
CR	Child Residential
CRDS	Centralized Bank Recon System
CRM	Customer Relationship Manager, The person in the IT Customer Relationship Management Unit who serves as computer liaison between the DSS Agencies and the Division of Information Technology.
CRMU	Customer Relationship Management Unit
CSE	Child Support Enforcement (Formerly know as SES)
CSENet	Child Support Enforcement Network
CUA	Common User Access (Standards for “Natural Construct Models”)
CSoC	Coordinated System of Care
CW	Child Welfare
D	
DASD	Direct Access Storage Device
DB2	Database Product from IBM
DC	Day Care
DCFS	Department of Children and Family Services
DDS	Disability Determinations Services
DEFRA	Deficit Reduction Act
DFSMS	Data Facility Storage Management System from IBM
DHH	Department of Health and Hospitals
DHHR *	Department of Health and Human Resources (now DSS and DHH)
DHHS	United States Department of Health and Human Services
D&A Home	Diagnosis and Assessment Home
DMV	DPSC – Division of Motor Vehicles
DOS	Disk Operating System (replaced by Windows '95)
DP	Data Processing
DPSC	Department of Public Safety and Corrections
E	
EAI	Enterprise Application Integration
EBT	Electronic Benefits Transfer – a method of delivering Government benefits to recipients electronically.
EDI	Electronic Data Interchange
EFT	Electronic Funds Transfer
E-mail	Electronic Mail
EPLN	Electronic Parent Locator Network (LASES) (now IDEC)
EPSDT	Early Periodic Screening and Diagnostic Testing

ESA	Enterprise System's Architecture
ES	Economic Stability
EXCP COUNTS	Execute Channel Program Counts. Reduce to improve your CPU efficiency.
F	
FACS *	Financial Accountability Control System (replaced by ISIS)
FAMIS	Family Assistance Management Information System
FATS	Family Assessment Tracking System
FC	Foster Care
FCAP	Family Crisis Assistance Program
FCI	Foster Care Independent living Program
FCR	Federal Case Registry (CSE)
FFP	Federal Funding Payback (I.E. 70% Fed / 30% State)
FIDM	Financial Institution Data Match (for LASES)
FINALIST	LPC's product to answer/address standardization and verification needs for online and batch.
FIPS	Federal Information Processing Standard (for LASES)
FITAP	Family Independence Temporary Assistance Program (replaced AFDC)
FMS	Financial Management Service (within the Department of Treasury, and in charge of the Tax Refund Offset Program)
FNS	Food and Nutrition Services (Under Department of Agriculture) OCS – Families in Need of Services
FPLS	Federal Parent Locate Service (CSE)
FS	Family Services
FSA88	Family Support Act of 1988
FSMIS *	Food Stamp Management Information System (replaced by LAMI)
FSPA	Food Stamp/Public Assistance (case) (LAMI)
FSNPA	Food Stamp/Non-Public Assistance (case) (LAMI)
FTC	Family Team Conference/ also known as "failure to comply"
FTI	Federal Tax Information
FTROP *	Federal Tax Refund Offset Program (replaced by TOP)
G	
GASSI	General Assistance Supplemental Security Income
GROUP1	Vendor who provides mailing software tools
GUI	Graphical User Interface
H	
HA	Adoptive Home
HB	Foster Home

HD	Home Development
HIPAA	Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (1996) (For privacy of health information)
HTML	Hyper-Text Markup Language (For doing Web Pages)
I	
ICPC	Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children
IDEC	Interstate Date Exchange Consortium (Formerly know as EPLN)
IHE	Inadvertent Household Error
INFOPAC	Mobius Comp. Product for "Report Management System" online and/or hardcopy reports.
INTEGR.TEXT	Software AG's product to do "Text Management" MGT. NDM (Natural Document Management) Utilized for User Manuals/Policy Manuals/ETC.
IPL	Initial Program Load
IPU	Initial Processing Unit (LASES)
IPV	Intentional Program Violation
ISIS	Integrated Statewide Information System DOA). A financial, purchasing, general ledger, material management, contract management, and human resource system.
IT	Information Technology, The Division in the Office of Management and Finance which provides system design, development, and support for the DCFS Agencies.
IV-D	Child Support
IV-E	Unit responsibility for eligibility determination of Title-IV-E funding and federal grants for children in Foster Care
J	
JAD	Joint Applications Design, Meetings that are held to discuss detail specifications for proposed system developments or enhancements.
JAS *	JOBS Automated System (STEP) (ES)
JCL	Job Control Language
JD	Juvenile Detention
JES	Job Entry Subsystem
JOBS *	Job Opportunity and Basic Skills (STEP)
K	
KCSP	Kinship Care Subsidy Program
KNOWLEDGEWARE	Product for "Case Tool" Analysis
L	
LaCarte	Louisiana's Purchasing Card Program
LAMI	Louisiana Automated Management Information (system)

LaJET	Louisiana Job Employment Training
LAN	Local Area Network
LARE	Louisiana Adoption Resource Exchange
LASES	Louisiana Automated Support Enforcement System
LAVRS	Louisiana Automated Voice Response System (for LASES)
LDOL	Louisiana Department Of Labor
LEAP	Louisiana Employment Assistance Program
LEO	Louisiana Employees Online
LIRA	Louisiana Instant Referral Access system
LIHEAP	Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program
LPC	Pitney Bowes Company vendor that provides Mailing Software
LPC	Louisiana Purchase Card
LRS	Louisiana Rehabilitation Services
LSR	Local Shared Resources
LTC	Long Term Care
LWC	Louisiana Workforce Commission Business and Career Solutions Center (B and CSC)
M	
MAILER'S	LPC's product to sort & optimize mail among carrier route, CHOICE zip+4, 3- and 5- digit presort residual mailings.
MAILSTREAM	Group1 Software to sort & optimize mail among carrier PLUS route, zip+4, 3- and 5- digit presort residual mailings.
MAO	Medical Assistance Only
MAP	Medical Assistance Program
MEC	Medical Eligibility Card
MEDS	Medicaid Eligibility Data System (DHH system)
MEPA/IPA	Multiethnic Placement Act/Interjurisdictional Placement Act
MFP	Multi-Functional Printer
MH	Maternity Home
MMIS	Medicaid Management Information System (DHH system)
MUP	Minor Unmarried Parent
N	
NACHA	National Automated Clearinghouse Association (EFT/EDI)
NAF	Natural Advanced Facilities
NAS	Netview Access Services
NATURAL	Software AG's programming language
NCANDS	National Child Abuse and Neglect Data System (TIPS)
NCANS	National Child Abuse and Neglect System
NCP	Non-Custodial Parent
NDM	Natural Document Manager – Software AG's Text Retrieval System

NDM	Network Data Mover, System Centers File Transfer Product
NE	New and Expanded (Budget Request Form)
NET-PASS	Software AG's Network Parallel Application Sessions System. Allows user to access multiple MF Applications From a single PC or terminal & toggle between without logging off and getting back on.
NPM	Netview Performance Monitor – tracks online transactions
N2O	Change management tool for application development from Treehouse Software Inc.
O	
OCSE	Office of Child Support Enforcement Federal Child Support Agency Under DHHS/ACF.
OM&F	Office of Management and Finance
OSS	Optional State Supplementation
OYD	DPSC – Office of Youth Development
P	
PA	Public Assistance (usually refers to TANF or SSI)
PAF	Prevention Assistance Funds
PERFORMANCE TESTING	Performance Testing usually refers to testing against a set of pre-determined standards, volume, expected response times, or expected response results. This is sometimes interchanged with Benchmark Testing.
PC	Personal Computer
PID	Personal Identification (number) (LAMI)
PIN	Personal Identification Number
PIV	Pay In Voucher (A bank related form; ISIS)
POP (SITE)	Point of Presence
POS (Device)	Point of Sale device used for accessing EBT Benefits from a merchant location.
PPD	Project Profile Document
PPM	Policy and Procedure Memorandum
PREDICT	Data Dictionary application from Software AG
PRISM	Allows you to partition a CPU.
PRWORA	Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996
PST	Procurement Support Team (also know as “Parenting Skills Training”)
PTD	Process Transmittal Document, Interoffice cover sheet used by the Customer Relationship Management Unit and IT Applications Group when transferring documents between the two sections. This document is normally produced, routed, and approved electronically.

PWE	Primary Wage Earner
Q	
QA	Quality Assurance
QC	Quality Control
QMB	Qualified Medicare Beneficiary
QSAM	Queued Sequential Access Method, Just Sequential File
R	
RACF	Resource Access Control Facility (IBM's Security Package)
RAF	Reunification Assistance Funds
RAM	Regional Administrative Memorandum
RAS	Recovery Accounts System and Pending Referral System
REGRESSION TESTING	Regression Testing usually refers to testing which verifies and documents that no other program modules were broken or impaired by the new modules or newly enhanced modules. In short, these are efforts to prove that nothing was broken by the new efforts.
RFP	Request for Proposal
RMS	Random Moment Sampling
RRF	Research Request Form
S	
SAS	Statistical Analysis System – language available in TSO JCL
SCR	State Central Registry
SDM	Structured Decision Making
SDU	State Disbursements Unit (LASES, same as CCU)
SDX	State Data Exchange
SEARCHMASTER	IBM product for “Text Management” (Replaced Stairs)
SECURTRE	Treehouse product for ADABAS & Natural Security
SEIS *	Support Enforcement Information System (now LASES)
SES *	Support Enforcement Services (ES) (now CSE)
SESA	State Employment Security Agencies
SIEVS	Statewide Income Eligibility Verification System
SILC	Systems Integration Life Cycle (Project Mgmt. Tool)
SMS	System Managed Storage (IBM)
SNA	System Network Architecture (IBM Networking Protocol)
SOBRA	Sixth Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act
SP	Services to Parents
SPLN	State Parent Locator Network (for LASES)
SQL	Structured Query Language
SQL SERVER	Microsoft's Database Product
SSA	Social Security Administration

SSBG	Social Service Block Grant
SSI	Supplemental Security Income
SSN	Social Security Number
SSNEVCS	SSN Enumeration Verification Control System
STEP	Strategies To Empower People
STRING TESTING	String Testing usually refers to the testing of ALL program modules, which may comprise a subset, or sub-function of a system. (i.e. all the program modules which make up a checkwrite process)
SVC	Stored Value Card
SYSTEM TESTING	System Testing refers to the execution of test scenarios to test the system functionality (URD) as well as the technical capabilities (TDD) of the system as a whole.
T	
TANF	Temporary Assistance to Needy Families
TCO	Total Cost Ownership
TCP/IP	Transmit Control Protocol/Internet Protocol
TDD	Technical Design Document, Detailed system specifications produced by the IT Applications Group in response to an Agency's request for a system enhancement or a new system development. This document is normally produced, routed, and approved electronically.
TFC	Therapeutic Family Care
TIPS	Tracking Information and Payment System
TITLE IV-B	TITLE IV-B of the Social Security Act – Child Welfare grants for prevention of abuse/neglect, family preservation and reunification and non-IV-E foster children
TITLE IV-D	Child Support Program
TITLE IV-E	Funding source of the Social Security Act—primarily for children in foster care or at imminent risk of placement
TITLE XIX	Medicaid Agency
TMM	Tape Mount Management
TMS	Travel Management System
TOP	Treasury Offset Program
TPL	Third Party Liability (a DHH system)
TPR	Termination of Parental Rights
TRACS	Treasury Accounting Control System
TREETIPS	Treehouse Software's Customer Publication
U	
UAT	User Acceptance Testing, Process used to validate system changes prior to implementation.
UCB	Unemployment Compensation Benefits

UIFSA	Uniform Interstate Family Support Act (CSE cases with an out of state payor) (NEW URESA)
UNIT TESTING	Unit Testing, also referred to as module testing and programmer-level testing, is the testing of the smallest components of a system (modules). The objectives of unit testing are to: ensure that modules will operate functionally in accordance with the URD and TDD, detect and correct module problem areas prior to being released for further testing, and to provide a separate and independent testing of modules.
UPS	Uninterrupted Power Source (for the CPU)
URD	User Requirement Document, Complete outline of programming needs produced by the Customer Relationship Manager as defined by the DCFS Agency. This document is normally produced, routed, and approved electronically.
URES A	Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act (CSE cases with an out of state payor) (OLD TERM)
URF	User Request Form
URG	Un-Reimbursed Grant (LASES)
V	
VB	Visual Basic (Microsoft's Programming Language)
VOR	Verification of Operation
VSAM	Virtual Storage Access Method
W	
WAN	Wide Area Network
WICP	Western Interstate Child Support Enforcement Clearing-house Project
X	
XCOM	Legion's "Bulk Data Transfer Package"
Y	
YAP	Young Adult Program
Z	
ZEKE	ASG Product to do "job Scheduling"