145.953 PROGRAM STRUCTURE.

Subdivision 1. **Local administration of program.** The implementation plan must require the commissioner to contract with appropriate private nonprofit and governmental organizations to administer the CHILD program on a local level. The local organization, in collaboration and coordination with the Department of Health, shall be responsible for recruiting, screening training, and overseeing volunteers for the program.

Subd. 2. **Volunteer component.** The implementation plan must provide that a volunteer will be matched with a family to provide ongoing support in parenting. The volunteer shall provide the family with information on the CHILD program and other social services available. Through home visits and frequent contact, the volunteer shall provide support and guidance on raising the child and coping with stresses that may increase the risk of abuse. The volunteer shall also assist the family in obtaining other needed services from existing social services programs.

History: *1996 c 451 art 4 s 27*