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HHS Reinstates Contract with Seneca Family of Agencies, Resuming Critical Support to Families Separated at the US-Mexico Border

OAKLAND, CALIF. (August 27, 2025) — After multiple victories in court, Seneca Family of Agencies is proud to announce its contract with the Department of Health and Human Services for the Todo Por Mi Familia (TPMF) program has been reinstated, effective August 25th.

Seneca's [TPMF program](#) supports families who were separated at the US-Mexico border during the first Trump administration. Since 2020, it has served more than 6,200 individuals, helping families locate services, address the long-term effects of trauma, and rebuild the parent-child bond. The program connects families to individualized, confidential services — behavioral health care, medical support, and case management — delivered with cultural humility and compassion.

Seneca has been working closely with the ACLU since the abrupt nonrenewal of the contract by the federal government in June, and we're deeply grateful for their counsel and advocacy. Now that the contract has been reinstated [by a court order](#) as part of the legal obligations set forth in the *Ms. L settlement agreement*, Seneca is planning to resume operations as quickly as possible.

"The forced separation of children and parents at the border caused incalculable harm and trauma," said Leticia Galyean, Chief Executive Officer of Seneca Family of Agencies. "Now that these legal battles are behind us, we are eager to get back to the important work of helping these families reconnect and restart the long process toward healing."

Despite the decisive court ruling to reinstate the contract, the future of TPMF is still uncertain. The court ordered the government to contract with Seneca for a minimum of one year, or until a new provider is identified, which may be sooner than one year. Any attempt to transition providers must

go through a formal procurement process with no service interruption, but there is still a risk the contract could end sooner than 12 months.

“Seneca’s commitment to these separated families is unwavering, as our mission is to provide Unconditional Care,” Galyean said. “It is an honor to serve these parents and children, and we will continue to fight for them to receive the support they need and deserve.”

About Seneca Family of Agencies

Seneca Family of Agencies (formerly Seneca Center) was founded in 1985 as a small residential and day treatment program in the Bay Area with a simple but powerful mission: to help children and families through the most difficult times of their lives. Since then, Seneca has expanded to provide a broad continuum of permanency, mental healthcare, education, and juvenile justice services, which today impacts 25,000 youth and families throughout California and Washington State each year. We are driven by the fundamental belief that children and families do not themselves fail, but rather are failed by systems unable to meet their complex needs. The agency’s growth has been guided by a commitment to our Unconditional Care® model — doing whatever it takes to help children and families thrive, even when faced with tremendous challenges. Learn more on our [About Us](#) page.

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