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APPENDIX K ACCREDITATION PROCESS CHART

RENEWAL OF ACCREDITATION	ACCREDITED AGENCY	ACCREDITATION CANDIDATE	APPLICANT AGENCY	REGISTERED AGENCY	PHASE
Continuous annual payments and ACRs. Submit application. Document and peer review.	Compliance with categories and criteria and work toward requirements in the latest edition of the FESSAM.	Self assessment complete and document approved by team leader	Letter of agreement, demographics and application forms, report on eligibility, accreditation mgr must have successfully completed a Self-Assessment Workshop, and letters submitted that support program.	Application for registration.	REQUIRES
One-fifth of applicant agency fee and team visit costs.	One-fifth of applicant agency fee per year.	Actual costs of assessors for on-site visit and for the team leader to attend commission meeting.	Varies by population.	\$250 Valid for three years.	FEES
Completed self-assessment manual compliant to the latest edition of the FESSAM and peer assessment report.	Annual report due 45 working days prior to accreditation anniversary.	Completed self-assessment manual compliant to the latest edition of the FESSAM and peer assessment report.	Letter of agreement, demographics and application forms, report on eligibility, accreditation mgr must have successfully completed a self-assessment workshop, and letters submitted that support program.	Application for registration.	DOCUMENTS
Accreditation applicable for five years. See timeline.	Accreditation applicable for five years, then renewal of accreditation.	Three months to one year for peer assessment after self assessment complete and submitted.	Must return self-assessment manual within 18 months (or if 90 percent volunteer agency, within 24 months).	Three years or until change in status to applicant agency	TIME
Peer assessment and commission review	Commission	Peer Assessment site visit and commission review	Self- assessment	Staff review of registration and return application packet to agency.	ACTIONS
Accreditation and self-assessment benefits.	Accreditation and self-assessment benefits.	Self-assessment benefits. Opportunity to go before the commission.	Access to CFAI staff, to peer review, to training, and self-assessment benefits.	Access to mailing lists, newsletters, network, and to trained "members" of CFAI.	BENEFITS