

# CHILDREN AT THE BORDER: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

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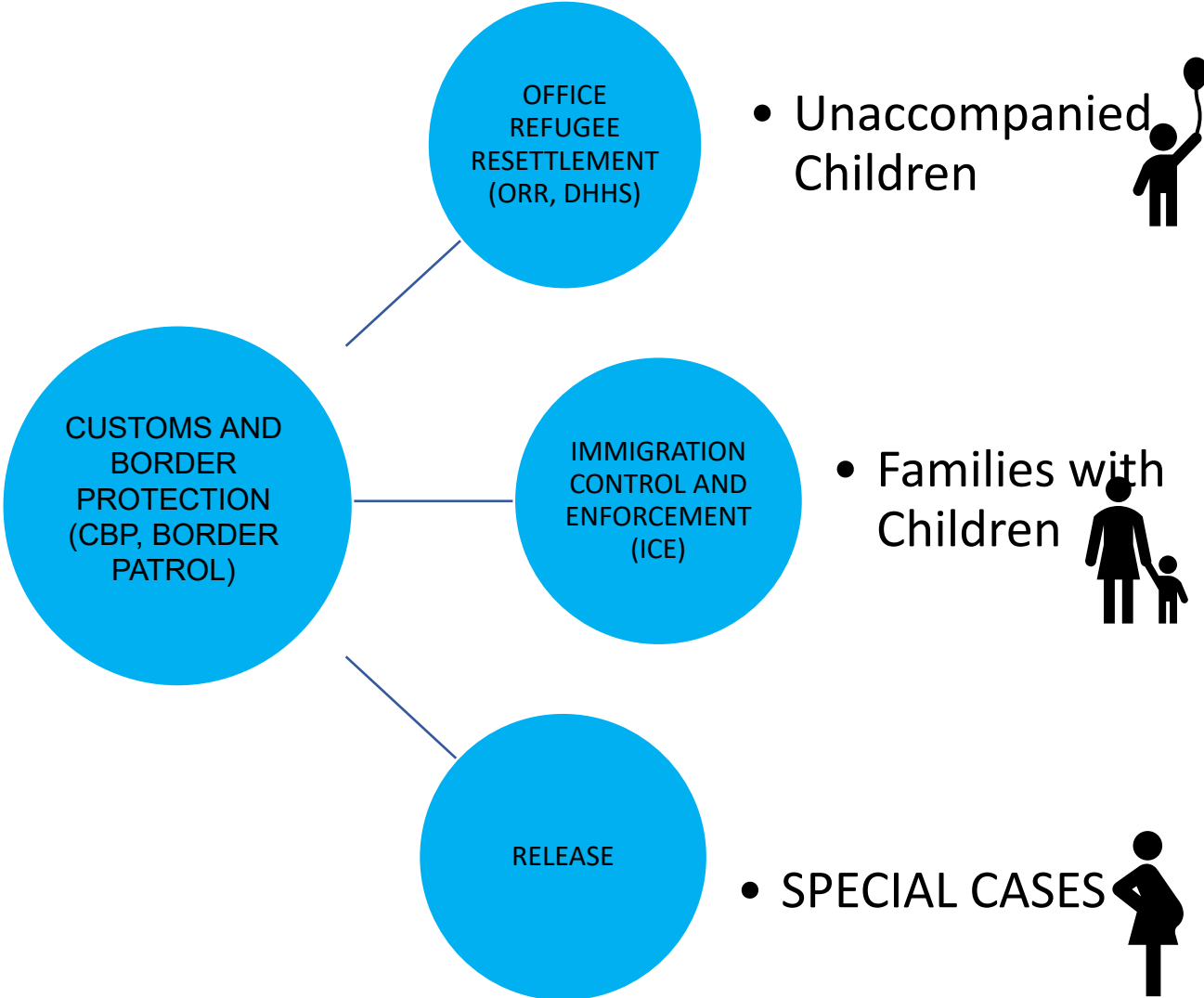
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# CHILDREN IN US IMMIGRATION DETENTION SYSTEM



# Migrant Children Central Challenges

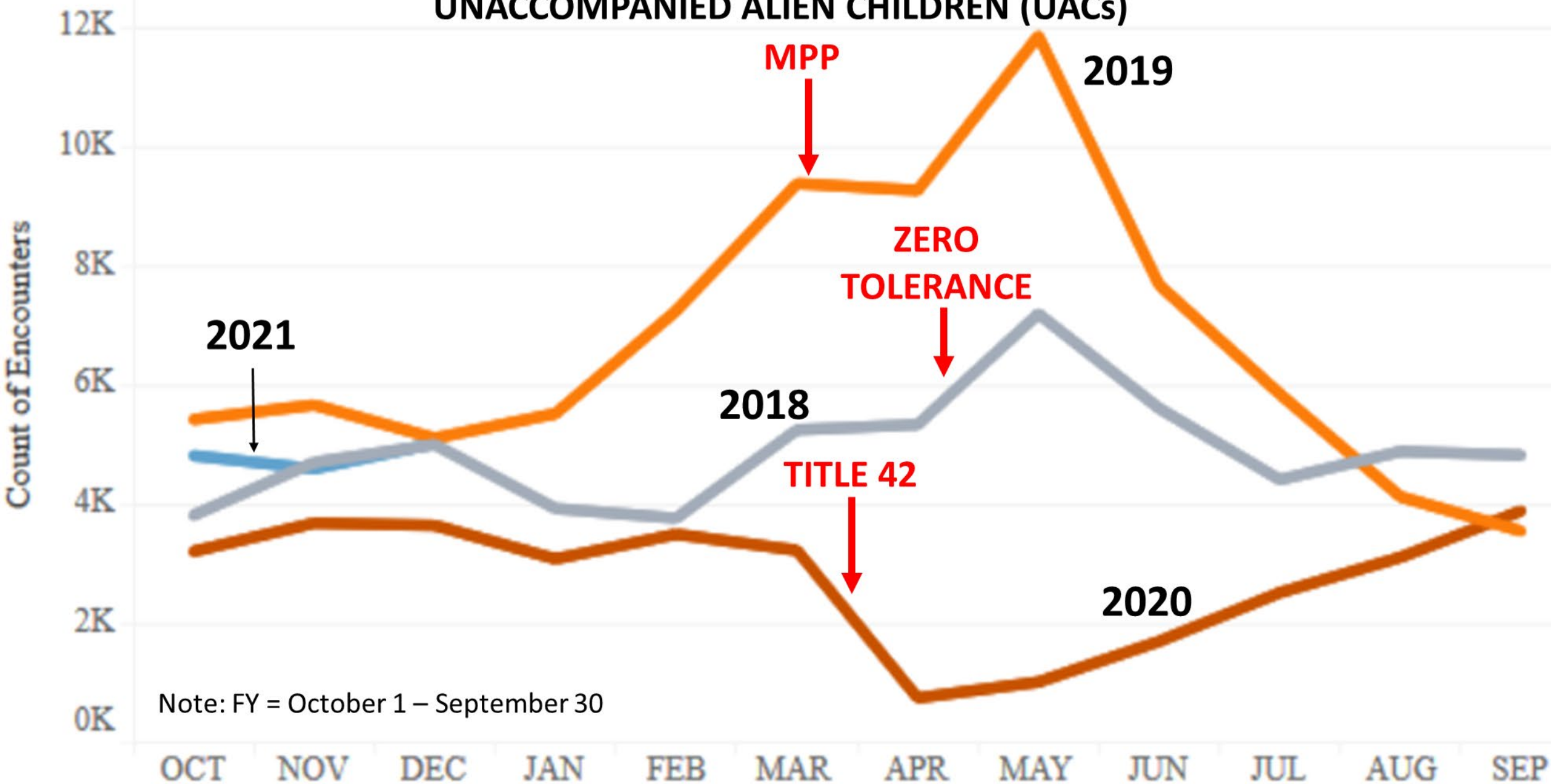
- Immigration Policies (Consequences)
  - Asylum procedures
  - Entry to US procedures
- Custodial Policies (Care)
  - Family processing protocols
  - Humanitarian provision
  - Medical care

# Dynamic Immigration Policies

- Zero Tolerance Policy (Family Separation)
- Migrant Protection Protocols (MPP; “Remain in Mexico”)
- Title-42 CDC Control of Communicable Diseases

# FY Southwest Land Border Encounters by Month

## UNACCOMPANIED ALIEN CHILDREN (UACs)



# Challenges for DHHS: Coordinating Consequences and Care

- Adapt detention protocols to the evolving challenges and responses to COVID-19
- Ensure that immigration systems are capable (including resources) of quickly adapting to the needs of potentially increased numbers of children and families attempting to enter the US
- Support enhanced coordination of relevant agencies particularly CBP, ICE, ORR
- Consider new, integrated approaches to the custodial and medical care for migrant children and families in US detention