

# OVERVIEW OF FEDERAL MONITORING REVIEWS

# **THE PROCESS**

The Plan	The Reviews	The Report
Due by 10/15 every year  Sample template provided by OCFW but not required	Completed as defined in approved Plan  New Qualtrics links for every year	Due by 09/30 every year
<ul> <li>Plan must include:</li> <li>That reviews will be completed on Title IV-E Foster Care including Extended Foster Care, Title IV-E Adoption Subsidy, and TANF Adoption Subsidy cases</li> <li>The timeframe (Period Under Review) that will be used to pull population, how population will be pulled, and when EX: Pull data in October 2022 using Payment Download with Payment Service Date Range of 04/01/2022-10/01/2022</li> <li>When and who will perform the reviews within the Federal Fiscal Year. Must</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The Region Licensing Compliance         Template must be submitted at least         60 days prior to when foster care         reviews are being completed and         includes only FSFN licensed         providers (this should be submitted         through region contract manager)</li> <li>Reviews must be fully entered in         Qualtrics to be considered complete</li> <li>Actions to correct errors identified         should occur during the review         process</li> <li>Qualtrics should reflect what actions</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Prior to competing Report, request Qualtrics data from OCFW         <ul> <li>Ensure the number of completed reviews aligns with required amount</li> <li>Ensure there are no duplicates or incomplete entries</li> </ul> </li> <li>Submit the completed Region Licensing Compliance Template with your Report to region contract manager</li> <li>Report must include:</li> <li>Total population size for each funding source and sample size</li> </ul>
consider 60 days for Region to complete Safety Compliance review EX: RevMax and QA staff. Quarterly or Foster Care in January, IV-E Adoption in March, Adoption TANF in May  • Sample size of 90/10 or per CBC contract • The review tool to be used (Qualtrics)	were taken and the status EX: Case was submitted to OCFW for Adoption Eligibility override and pending completion. OR Region licensing staff added non- compliance of Safety Requirements in FSFN and IV-E Redetermination generated to adjust eligibility status.	<ul> <li>Number of error cases, including procedural, and number of error cases brought into compliance (must match Qualtrics data)</li> <li>Summary of each error case and efforts to bring case into compliance and outcome</li> <li>Recommendations and actions to be taken for improvement</li> </ul>

# REGION LICENSING COMPLIANCE TEMPLATE

		Time Periods Under	In	Time Frame of Non-
	FSFN	Review	Compliance?	Compliance
Provider Name	Provider ID	XX/XX/XX-XX/XX/XX	(Yes or No)	XX/XX/XX-XX/XX/XX
Crosswinds Youth Services	100029397	04/01/22-10/01/22	Yes	
Twin Oaks Juvenile DevelopmentWaypoint North Campus	100227910	04/01/22 - current	Yes	
Grandbrook Homecare Facility	100248587	04/01/22-10/01/22		N/A - Not FSFN Licensed
Miracle Outreach Fresh Start Kaylee's House	100150764	04/01/22-10/01/22		Suncoast Region



#### Issues:

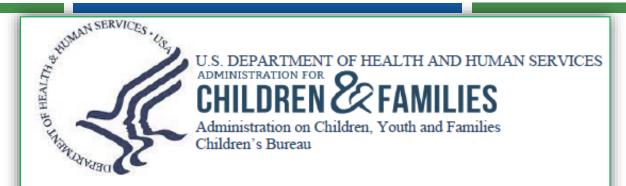
- Time Periods Under Review column covers entire PUR and an end date not defined.
- Includes a provider that does not have a license in FSFN.
- Does not include compliance for a Provider outside of Region. Region must work with other Regions to obtain information.

	FSFN	Time Periods Under	In	Time Frame of Non-
	Provider	Review	Compliance?	Compliance
Provider Name	ID	XX/XX/XX-XX/XX/XX	(Yes or No)	XX/XX/XX-XX/XX/XX
Crosswinds Youth Services	100029397	4/1/22 - 6/6/22	Yes	
Twin Oaks Juvenile DevelopmentWaypoint North Campus	100227910	09/24/22 - 10/01/22	Yes	
Miracle Outreach Frest Start Kaylee's House	100150764	7/01/22 - 09/15/22	No	07/12/22-08/20/22



# TITLE IV-E FOSTER CARE ELIGIBILITY





Title IV-E Foster Care Eligibility
On-Site Review Instrument and Instructions
July 2015



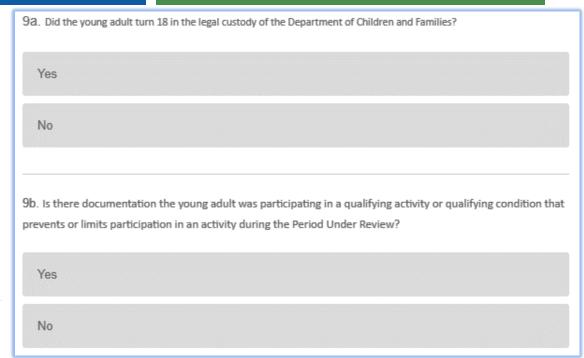


(D	) GENERAL CASE INFORMATION	
1.	Sample PUR (month/day/year): Record the begin date and end date of the 6-month sample PUR, using the month, date, and year form	nat.
2.	State postal code and random sample selection number:  Record the two-letter state postal code and the selection number assigned to the sample case.	1. Sample PUR (mm/dd/yyyy):  From:  To:
l	Case ID:  Record the case number the title IV-E agency uses as an identifier for the child's file.  County or local office:	2. FSFN Person ID:
5.	Record the name of the county or local office that has assignment for the child's file.  Review date (month/day/year):  Record the month, date, and year the case is reviewed.	3. FSFN Case ID:
6.	Reviewed by:  Record the name of the individual reviewing the case.  Comments:	4. CBC:
Tit	le IV-E Foster Care Eligibility On-Site Review Instrument and Instructions	5. Review date (record the mm/dd/yyyy the case is reviewed):
		o. Neview date (record the miniadayyyy the odde is reviewed).
	<ul> <li>Common Issues:</li> <li>Selecting incorrect CBC</li> <li>Entering incorrect FSFN Person ID or FSFN Case ID</li> <li>Inaccurate work email address</li> </ul>	6. Reviewed by (record the name of the individual reviewing the case):
	5	Your Email (a copy of the completed survey tool will be emailed to the address entered below):

#### **EFC FOSTER CARE POPULATION**

9a. Answer based on 'Legal Custody Status' in Legal Record.

Extended Program Eng	Jibility Determination. Approved	- Bigible				
On Appeal	Date notified of appeal process:	00/00/0000	☐ Supervisor Eligibil	ity Override		
If Ineligible, explain how	notified of appeal process:		Reason for Override:			
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Termination Reason:	<u> </u>		Termination Date:		te Last Updated: 22/2022	
Redetermination Reason:	V		Redetermination Date:		st Updated By:	
promote employment, but v	nsw ered based on the effective dat vill be as of the effective date, then				mination. Final determination	on can
Question	Data the Marine Adulta and in				Answer	
	Date, the Young Adult's age is:				19 yrs 187 days	^
	e out w hile in the custody of the Dep				Yes	
	olled in a secondary education progr		school diploma or equiva	lent credential?	No	1
	olled in a postsecondary or vocation	al institution?			No	
	king at least 80 hours per month?				Yes	-
<ol><li>Is the Young Adult parti Employment</li></ol>	icipating in a program or activity des	igned to promote or e	eliminate barriers to emplo	byment? Assets and	No	
	nave a clinical disability from a licens e w ithin this FSFN case? Medical/		nal that is documented or	n the Young Adult's	Yes	
8. Is the Young Adult unal intellectual, emotional or pa	ble to participate in any of the activiti sychiatric condition?	ies listed in questions	s 3-6 full-time due to a do	cumented physical,	○Yes	
2 .	ocumentation exist from a licensed o ow ard Independent Living. (only for		,	necessary or helpful to t	he OYes ONo	
10. Has the Young Adult s	signed the EFC Agreement?				○Yes ○No ●	WA 🔍
11. Was an EFC Voluntary	Placement Agreement signed by the	e Young Adult?				
Determine You	ma Adult Fliaibility	Check to Finaliz	e EEC Bigibility Determina	ation		



9b. Answer based on supporting documentation in the FSFN File Cabinet for the Qualifying Activity identified on the Young Adult Program Eligibility.





#### Removal Date vs. Date Entered Foster Care

#### (F) RELEVANT DATES (may precede PUR)

[Statutory Citation: §§ 472(a)(1) & (2) of the Act and 475(5)(F); Regulatory Citation: 45 CFR §§ 1355.20(a), 1356.21(k), and 1356.22]

#### 10. On what date was the child removed from home?

Enter the date of physical removal unless the child was constructively removed. If the child was constructively removed, enter the date the court sanctioned the judicial removal, in a judicial removal, or the date of the final signature on a voluntary placement agreement, in a voluntarily placement. (A constructive removal occurs when a judicial ruling or voluntary placement agreement sanctions the child's removal from the parent or another specified individual, but the child is living with an interim caregiver at the time of the removal. It applies to a removal that occurs on or after 3-27-2000 for a child who has not lived with an interim caregiver longer than 6 months prior to the constructive removal. If the constructive removal occurred before 3-27-2000, note that below in *Comments*. Also, if the child had lived with an interim caregiver longer than 6 months before the constructive removal, note that below. The case is not marked as in error when answering Question 10, if the constructive removal requirement is not met. The eligibility requirements pertaining to constructive removals are specifically addressed at Questions 21(a) and 22.)

Removal date (month/day/year):

Question 10 records the date of the child's most recent physical or constructive removal from the home of a parent or another specified relative in accordance with a court order or voluntary placement agreement.

Comments:

11. Earlier date of judicial hearing with finding that child was subject to abuse/neglect (typically probable cause finding) or 60 calendar days from removal

# 10. Date of physical or constructive removaldocumented in petition/order

#### 11. On what date did the child enter foster care?

Check the N/A box, if appropriate, based on the following instructions:

For a removal according to a voluntary placement agreement: Indicate N/A.

For a court-ordered removal before March 27, 2000: Indicate N/A.

For a court-ordered removal on or after March 27, 2000: Indicate N/A if the foster care episode terminated before 60 days of removal and a judicial finding of abuse or neglect was not rendered prior to the end of the foster care episode.

N/A

Otherwise, record the date the child entered foster care based on the following information:

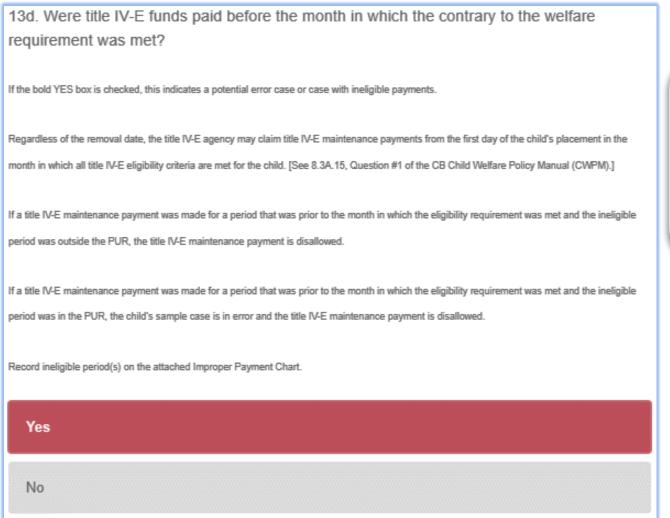
- Initial placement in foster care setting:
  - Record the month, date, and year the child is considered to have entered foster care, as based on the definition in § 475(5)(F) of the Act and federal regulations at 45 CFR § 1355.20(a) and described below, if the child initially was placed in a foster care setting (foster family home or childcare institution) at removal.
- Initial placement in non-foster care setting:
  - (1) Record the month, date, and year the child was placed in a foster care setting, if the child initially was placed in a detention facility or other non-foster care setting and was in the non-foster care setting longer than 60 days before being placed in a foster care setting. Or,
  - (2) Record the month, date, and year the child entered foster care as defined below, if the child's placement into foster care from a non-foster care setting occurred within 60 days of his or her removal from the home.

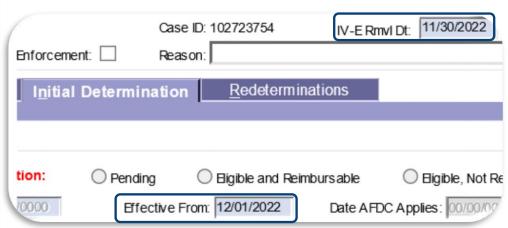
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As defined in § 475(5)(F) of the Act and 45 CFR § 1355.20(a), the date the child is considered to have entered foster care is the date that is the earlier of either a judicial finding to the effect that the child has been subjected to child abuse or neglect or 60 calendar days after the date the child is removed from the home through a court order or voluntary placement agreement. The date the child entered foster care usually is not the same date as the date of removal (Question 10 or Question 13). The date recorded in Question 11 is the date used to determine when to obtain the initial judicial determination of reasonable efforts to finalize the permanency plan (Question 19). The title IV-E agency may use the date the child is physically removed from home. However, for the IV-E review, the "date child entered foster care" is the date as defined in § 475(5)(F) of the Act and 45 CFR § 1355.20(a), consistent with HHS Departmental Appeals Board (DAB) Decision No. 1903.

#### Comments:

# 13d. Potential for Error if child was removed/placed at the end of one month and Contrary to Welfare finding obtained in the next month. Effective From date on 'Initial Determination' should reflect 1<sup>st</sup> of month in which hearing occurred to prevent this.





Note: This is the only instance in which the Effective From date should be modified.



# Voluntary Removals - Voluntary Placement Agreement (VPA)

(H) VOLUNTARY PLACEMENTS  [Statutory Citation: §§ 472(d), (e), and (f) of the Act; Regulatory Citation: 45 CFR § 1356.22]  15. Was the child's removal pursuant to a voluntary placement agreement?  Indicate YES or NO. If the removal was pursuant to a voluntary placement agreement, enter YES.  If the removal was not pursuant to a voluntary placement agreement, enter NO.  YES NO  NOTE: If NO is the response to this question and Question 12, the response also is NO to Question 18. For title IV-E eligibility, a child must be removed in accordance with the requisite judicial determination (Question 12) or a voluntary placement agreement (Question 15).  Comments:
Indicate YES or NO. If the removal was pursuant to a voluntary placement agreement, enter YES.  If the removal was not pursuant to a voluntary placement agreement, enter NO.  YES NO NO NO NOTE: If NO is the response to this question and Question 12, the response also is NO to Question 18. For title IV-E eligibility, a child must be removed in accordance with the requisite judicial determination (Question 12) or a voluntary placement agreement (Question 15).  Comments:
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(H) VOLUNTARY PLACEMENTS Continued
[Statutory Citation: §§ 472(d), (e), and (f) of the Act; Regulatory Citation: 45 CFR § 1356.22]
16. If Question 15 is VES was the voluntary placement agreement signed by the parent or local
16. If Question 15 is YES, was the voluntary placement agreement signed by the parent or legal
guardian and the title IV-E agency?
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Indicate N/A if this was a court-ordered removal. Otherwise, indicate YES or NO.  YES NO NO N/A  If the response is NO, this is an error case.
Indicate N/A if this was a court-ordered removal. Otherwise, indicate YES or NO.  YES NO NO N/A
Indicate N/A if this was a court-ordered removal. Otherwise, indicate YES or NO.  YES NO NO N/A  If the response is NO, this is an error case.  Record the signature date of the agreement. If signings occurred on different dates, record the date of the final
Indicate <i>N/A</i> if this was a court-ordered removal. Otherwise, indicate <i>YES</i> or <i>NO</i> .  YES NO NO N/A  If the response is <i>NO</i> , this is an error case.  Record the signature date of the agreement. If signings occurred on different dates, record the date of the final signature.
Indicate N/A if this was a court-ordered removal. Otherwise, indicate YES or NO.  YES NO NO N/A  If the response is NO, this is an error case.  Record the signature date of the agreement. If signings occurred on different dates, record the date of the final signature.  Voluntary placement agreement signature date (month/day/year):  Consistent with § 472(f)(2) of the Act, the parent or legal guardian and the title IV-E agency representative must sign the voluntary placement agreement for it to be valid. If all required parties did not sign the voluntary

16. Date of VPA is the last signature date which should be from the Department representative.



### **Voluntary Removals**

7.	Was there a judicial determination regarding the child's best interests within 180 days of the foster care placement through a voluntary placement agreement?
	Indicate YES or NO and record the date of the judicial finding, including the month, date, and year. Indicate N/A, if the judicial determination was not obtained and fewer than 180 days have elapsed since the foster care placement date (or signature date, if the child was constructively removed) and the last day of the PUR. Also, indicate N/A if the child was judicially removed.
	YES NO NO N/A
	If the bold NO box is checked, this indicates a potential error case or case with ineligible payments.
	Judicial finding date (month/day/year):
	As specified in § 472(e) of the Act, to extend title IV-E eligibility beyond 180 days of placement in foster care, there must be a judicial determination within the first 180 days of the foster care episode to the effect that continued out-of-home placement is in the child's best interests, thereby extending foster care placement through the voluntary placement agreement. The "clock" for the first 180 days of the foster care episode begins on the date the child is physically placed in foster care. If constructively removed, the "clock" for the first 180 days of the foster care episode begins on the date the voluntary placement agreement is signed by all necessary parties. If signings are on different dates, it begins on the date of the final signature.
	NOTE: If the voluntary placement agreement is terminated, revoked, or otherwise no longer in effect prior to obtaining the judicial determination regarding the child's best interests, title IV-E eligibility ends on the day the voluntary placement agreement is terminated, revoked, or not in effect and the child becomes ineligible for the remainder of the foster care episode. Under these conditions, the response is NO to Question 17.
	Comments:
	17(a). If Question 17 is <i>NO</i> , were title IV-E funds paid for the period of ineligibility?
	Indicate N/A if this was a court-ordered removal. Otherwise, indicate YES or NO, based on a NO response to Question 17.
	YES NO NO N/A
	If the bold YES box is checked, this indicates a potential error case or case with ineligible payments.
	If a title IV-E maintenance payment is made for the period in which compliance with the requirement is not met and the ineligible period is outside the PUR, the title IV-E maintenance payment is disallowed.
	If a title IV-E maintenance payment is made for the period in which compliance with the requirement is not met and the ineligible period is in the PUR; the child's sample case is in error and the title IV-E maintenance payment is disallowed.
	Record ineligible period(s) on the attached Improper Payment Chart.
	If more than 180 days of the child's placement in foster care have elapsed in a removal through a valid voluntary placement agreement and there has been no judicial determination of best interests, the child's eligibility for title IV-E ceases on the 181st day. The child's eligibility also ceases on the day the voluntary placement agreement is terminated, revoked, or not in effect if this occurs prior to obtaining the judicial determination regarding the child's best interests.

17. Best Interest finding is required within 180 calendar days. If not, cannot claim for the remainder of the removal episode.



Comments:

#### **Valid Removals**

#### (I) VALID REMOVALS

[Statutory Citation: §§ 472(a)1 & 2 of the Act; Regulatory Citation: 45 CFR § 1356.21(k)(2)]

# 18. Has there been a valid removal of the child from the home during the most recent foster care episode?

Indicate YES or NO. The response is NO if the response is NO to Questions 12 and 15. The response also is NO if the child is removed from the parent or another specified relative through a court order or voluntary placement agreement, and the child remains with the same relative in that home under that relative's responsibility and the title IV-E agency's supervision.

YES NO

If NO, the child is ineligible for title IV-E for the entire foster care episode.

Record ineligible period(s) on the attached Improper Payment Chart.

For title IV-E eligibility, a valid removal is a removal that is in accordance with a voluntary placement agreement (VPA) or a judicial finding of contrary to the welfare (CTW) that sanctions the removal (physical or constructive) of the child from the parent or legal guardian who signs the VPA or whose home is the subject of the CTW finding. [See § 472(a)(1) of the Act and 45 CFR § 1356.21(k).]

Consistent with 45 CFR § 1356.21(k)(2), a removal is not valid under title IV-E when the child is removed from the specified relative through a voluntary placement agreement or a court order, and the child remains with that same specified relative in the home under that relative's responsibility and the title IV-E agency's supervision.

For court-ordered removals, the physical removal from the above-referenced specified relative must coincide with the CTW finding. If the physical removal does not take place by the end of the next business day of the CTW finding and the court order does not specify an alternative time frame for removal, the child is ineligible for the entire foster care episode unless there is an extenuating circumstance that delays the physical removal. If there is an extenuating circumstance related to the delayed removal, notify the Children's Bureau (CB) team leader so that the relevant case information can be referred to the CB Central Office for further consideration.

Explain below in Comments the specific reason the requirement is not satisfied.

18. The child cannot physically remain with the subject of the Contrary to Welfare finding unless the court order specifically outlines an alternative timeframe.



Note: Contact OCFW for guidance on completing IV-E determination in these instances.

# **Reasonable Efforts to Finalize the Permanency Plan**

19. Determine if REFPP finding was required during the Period Under Review

Appli	ONGOING JUDICIAL ACTIVITY (Reasonable Efforts to Finalize the Permanency Plan) Continued icable to Court-Ordered Removals Only Itory Citation: § 471(a)(15)(B)(ii) and (C) of the Act; Regulatory Citation: 45 CFR § 1356.21(b)(2) & (d)]
19. <u>1</u>	Was the child in foster care 12 months or more before the last day of the PUR?  Indicate N/A if the removal was the result of a voluntary placement agreement. Otherwise, indicate YES or NO.  A YES response is based on the date in Question 10, for a removal before March 27, 2000; or Question 11, for a removal on or after March 27, 2000. If Question 19 is NO, a judicial determination of reasonable efforts to finalize the permanency plan was not due for the PUR. Questions 19(a)–19(f) are N/A.
(	YES NO N/A Comments:
1	9(a). If Question 19 is YES, what was the date of the most recent judicial determination of reasonable efforts to finalize before the PUR?  Indicate N/A if: (1) the removal was the result of a voluntary placement agreement, (2) the response to Question 19 is NO; (3) the date of the initial judicial determination fell within the PUR; or (4) the due date for the judicial determination fell within the 12-month period immediately before the PUR but was not made. Explain below in Comments the specific reason for the N/A response. Otherwise, record the month and year of the last judicial determination obtained before the beginning of the PUR.  Date of most recent judicial finding (month/year):  Question 19(a) establishes whether an initial or subsequent judicial finding is required for the 12-month period that includes the PUR.  Comments:



### **Reasonable Efforts to Finalize the Permanency Plan**

# 19(b) and 19(c). Documenting due dates and dates finding obtained

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	Eligibility Determination		From	Entry D	ale	Completed?	Comple
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0	Eligible, Not Reimburs a	ble	12/29/2022	01/04/202	23	Yes	01/04/202
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0	Eligible, Not Reimbursa	ble	T A	12/28/202	22	Yes	12/28/202
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Judicial Review

#### 19(b). What was the due date of the judicial determination due 12 months from the date recorded in Question 19(a)?

Indicate N/A if the removal was the result of a voluntary placement agreement. Otherwise, record the date of the judicial determination that was due 12 months from the date recorded in Question 19(a). If a date is not recorded in Question 19(a) because the required judicial determination was not made before the PUR, record the month and year it should have been made and note below in Comments the reason for the recorded date.

	N/A 🗌
	Due date of judicial finding (month/year):
	Comments:
19/6)	On what date was the judicial determination in Question 19/h) made?
19(0).	On what date was the judicial determination in Question 19(b) made?
	Indicate N/A if: (1) the removal is the result of a voluntary placement agreement or (2) 12 months have
	not elapsed since the date recorded in Question 19(b) and a judicial determination was not made during
	that interim period. Explain below in <i>Comments</i> the specific reason for the <i>N/A</i> response. Otherwise, for
	the judicial determination referenced in Question 19(b), record in Question 19(c) the month and year that
	the initial or subsequent judicial determination was made. If the judicial determination was due but not
	made, note this below in Comments.
	N/A 🗌
	Date of judicial finding (month/year):
	Comments:

CFOP 170-15: The 'Effective From' date on the IV-E Redetermination shall be the first date in the month in which finding is effective (Question 4 Date).



● Yes O No O N/A

# **Reasonable Efforts to Finalize the Permanency Plan**

	. Was the judicial determination recorded in Question 19( Indicate N/A if the removal was the result of a voluntary placemer because 12 months have not elapsed since the date recorded in 0 determination was not made during that interim period. Explain be for the N/A response. Otherwise, indicate YES or NO based on the	nt agreemen Question 19 elow in Com	nt or if Question 19 (b) and a judicial Iments the specific	reason
	YI	ES 🗌	NO 🗌	N/A 🗌
	If the bold NO box is checked, this indicates a potential error case	e or case wit	th ineligible payme	ents.
	A judicial determination is not considered timely if the finding is not time frame. The date of the latest judicial determination is used to must be made. An untimely judicial determination renders the chil the month after it is due and continuing to the first day of the month.	determine d ineligible	the date the subse beginning on the f	equent one
	Explain below in Comments the specific reason the requirement is	s not satisfie	ed.	
	Comments:			
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	Indicate N/A if the response to Question 19(d) is N/A or YES. Oth			
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	If the response to Question 19(e) is <b>YES</b> , this indicates a potential payments.	l error case	or case with inelig	gible
	If the untimely judicial determination is attained in the month immediate child regains eligibility beginning that month and title IV-E mainter period are considered properly paid. On the other hand, if the untiattained within the month immediately following the month it is durequisite judicial determination is made and the associated title IV disallowed. [See 45 CFR § 1356.21(b)(2).]	nance paym imely judicia e, the child l	ents that are mad al determination is loses eligibility un	e for that not til the
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	Record ineligible period(s) on the attached Improper Payment C	hart.		
	Comments:			

19(d) and (e). Determine if the REFPP finding was obtained timely and potential 'Error Case' and/or 'Ineligible Payments'



#### **AFDC**

#### 20. Was the child removed from the home of a specified relative?

Indicate YES or NO and record from whose home the child was physically or constructively removed (e.g., parent, aunt, legal guardian) according to a court order (Question 12) or voluntary placement agreement (Question 15). For title IV-E eligibility, the removal home is the home of the specified relative who is the subject of the contrary to welfare judicial determination, or who signs the voluntary placement agreement.

If the bold NO box is checked, this indicates an error case with ineligible payments, and the child is ineligible under title IV-E for the entire foster care episode.

In a judicial removal, the court order might indicate that the child was removed from the home of various individuals, such as a specified relative or an unrelated caregiver. In a voluntary placement, a parent or legal guardian (related or unrelated) might have signed the voluntary placement agreement. However, to qualify for title IV-E, a valid removal of the child from a specified relative must occur for the most recent foster care episode. [See 45 CFR § 1356.21(k).] A specified relative may be a parent or any relation by blood, marriage, or adoption who is within the fifth degree of kinship to the child. [See 45 CFR § 233.90(c)(1)(v).] When the child is living with an interim caregiver at removal, the child is considered to be constructively removed from the specified relative who is the subject of the contrary to welfare judicial determination or who signs the voluntary placement agreement. A constructive removal is a non-physical removal that occurs only on paper from that specified relative. Constructive removals apply to judicial or voluntary removals occurring on or after March 27, 2000, for a child who has not lived with an interim caregiver longer than 6 months prior to the constructive removal.

Yes

No

20. Removal Home:

# 20. The removal home is the subject of the contrary to welfare finding.

9. Contrary to Welfare: In accordance with section 39.402(8)(h), placement of the child(ren) in shelter care is in the best interest of the child(ren). Continuation in the home is contrary to the welfare of the child(ren) because the home situation presents a substantial and immediate danger to the child(ren)'s physical, mental or emotional health or safety, which cannot be mitigated by the provision of preventive services and placement is necessary to protect the child(ren), as shown by the following facts:	; ;
The child(ren) was/were abused, abandoned, or neglected, or the child(ren) are suffering from or in imminent danger of injury or illness as a result of abuse, abandonment, or neglect. The specific findings in Paragraph 8 above are incorporated as though fully set forth herein and support the Court's finding that continuation in the home is contrary to the welfare of the child.	
(_) The parent or legal custodian has materially violated a condition of placement imposed by the court, specifically:	
() The child(ren) have no parent, legal custodian, or responsible adult relative immediately known and available to provide supervision and care, specifically:	
10.Cause of the Removal: The conditions that led to the child(ren)'s out of home placement were caused by the   Mother;  Father;  Mother and Father.	

Note: Petition may be used if order is not clear.

#### **AFDC**

21. Child must have lived with the specified relative (subject of CTW) within 6 months of date court proceedings were initiated (Date AFDC Applies).

21(a).	If Question 21	is NO,	had the	child	lived w	ith the	specified	l relative	within 6	months	s of the
	date the court	proce	edings v	ere in	itiated	, or the	date the	voluntar	y placem	ent agi	reement
	was signed?	•							•		

Indicate N/A if Question 20 is NO or Question 21 is YES. Otherwise, indicate YES or NO.

	YES [	NO L	N/A
Date child last lived with specified	relative (month	/year):	
Date court proceedings initiated (judicial remova	al only) (month/	year):	
Date voluntary placement agreement signed (date recorded in Quest	tion 16) (month/	year):	

If the response is NO to Questions 21 and 21(a), the child is ineligible for title IV-E for the entire foster care episode and the case is an error case.

For title IV-E eligibility purposes, a child must be living with a specified relative during the month in which court proceedings are initiated to remove the child from that relative's home or the month in which the specified relative signed a *voluntary placement agreement*. The only exception to this requirement is when a child has not been living with that specified relative in such month, but has lived with that relative within 6 months of the initiation of court proceedings or signing of the *voluntary placement agreement*. [See § 472(a)(3)(A)(II) of the Act and 45 CFR § 1356.21(I)(2).] When the child is living with an interim caregiver at removal, the child is considered to be constructively removed from the specified relative who is the subject of the *contrary to welfare* judicial determination or who signs the *voluntary placement agreement*. Calculation of the 6-month period for the *living with* requirement is based on calendar months and is not counted from date to date. For judicial removals, the date the court proceedings are initiated is usually the date on which the removal petition is filed with the court.

NOTE: If a removal petition (1) is not filed or (2) is filed after the removal court order, then use the date of the removal court order as the date the court proceedings are initiated.

Comments:

proceedings were initiated or the date the voluntary	placement agreeme	ent was signed	1?
If Question 20 is NO, indicate N/A. Otherwise, indicate YES if (referred to in Question 20) in the month that court proceeding	_	•	
the voluntary placement agreement was signed (date that is rewas not living with that specified relative during either time fra		6). Indicate NO i	f the child
	YES 🗌	NO 🗌	N/A
Date child last lived with specified re	lative (month/day/year)	:	
Date court proceedings initiated (judicial removal	only) (month/day/year)	:	
Date voluntary placement agreement si	igned (month/day/year)	:	
If the bold NO box is checked, this indicates a potential error of	case or case with inelig	gible payments.	
For judicial removals, the date the court proceedings were init date the removal petition is filed with the court.	iated to judicially remo	ve the child is u	sually the
NOTE: If a removal petition (1) is not filed or (2) is filed after the removal court order as the date the court proceedings were in		then use the da	ate of the
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#### Date AFDC Applies

21. If Question 20 is YES, was the child living with that specified relative in the month court

#### Legal Actions

- Shelter Petition, if Result = Filed
- Shelter Hearing Initial, if Result = Continued
- Shelter Hearing Initial, if Result = Granted
- Shelter Hearing Subsequent, if Result = Continued
- Shelter Hearing Subsequent, if Result = Granted
- Pickup Order Take into Custody, if Result = Continued
- Pickup Order Take into Custody, if Result = Granted
- Post Disposition Change of Custody, if Result = Continued
- Post Disposition Change of Custody, if Result = Granted
- Motion Other, if Result = Filed
- Motion Other, if Result = Continued
- Motion Other, if Result = Granted
- Modification of Placement, if Result = Continued
- Modification of Placement, if Result = Approved
- Termination of Parental Rights Petition Private, if Result = Filed
- Termination of Parental Rights Private, if Result = Granted Legal Documents
- Sua Sponte Order



#### (N) PLACEMENT IN LICENSED FOSTER CARE SETTINGS [Statutory Citation: §§ 472(b) & (c) of the Act; Regulatory Citation: 45 CFR § 1355.20 and 1356.71 (d)(1)(iv)] Note: Enter only for providers licensed in FSFN Complete for every place the child resided during the PUR for which a title IV-E maintenance payment was made for the period of stay in the placement setting. If title IV-E maintenance payments were not claimed for the period of stay, record below in Comments the placement name, placement type, and the begin and end dates of the child's stay in this setting during the N1 33. Indicate the type of setting in which the child lived during the PUR. Under § 472(c)(2) of the Act, an PUR. allowable foster care placement for title IV-E eligibility purposes is a foster family home, group home, public childcare institution of 25 children or fewer, or private childcare institution. The Other category should be used only when the child has not lived in one of the placement types listed. N1 Placement One FSFN Provider ID: NOTE: Beginning on October 1, 2010, the definition of a childcare institution also includes a supervised independent living placement in which a youth age 18 years or older is living 29. FSFN Provider Name: (FH Last Name or Facility Name) independently. [See § 472(c) of the Act.] A youth who is eligible to remain in foster care until age 19 pursuant to a state title IV-A plan option (as in effect July 16, 1998) may be placed in a supervised independent living setting. If such youth, age 18-19, is placed in this type of setting, indicate N/A for questions 33(a)-37. 30. Provider City: 31. Provider State: Foster Family Home Date(s) of child's stay in this placement setting (From month/day/year to month/day/year) If a break in the dates of child's stay in this placement, what were they? (from month/day/year to month/day/year) Group Home Public Childcare Institution (25 children or fewer) Private Childcare Institution Supervised Independent Living Placement Other (Specify Other): 17

# **EFC FOSTER CARE POPULATION**

This is the only question for Supervised Living Arrangement Placements.

If Plan and Assessment were not completed, IV-E payments are not allowable.

Licensure and background screenings do not apply.

N1 33b. For the Supervised Independent Living Placement, the Shared Living Agreement Assessment and Shared Living Plan was completed, signed and uploaded to the FSFN File Cabinet?

If the Assessment and Plan were not completed, this is an 'Error Case'. If the Assessment and Plan were completed but not uploaded into FSFN, this is a 'Procedural Error'.

Yes

No



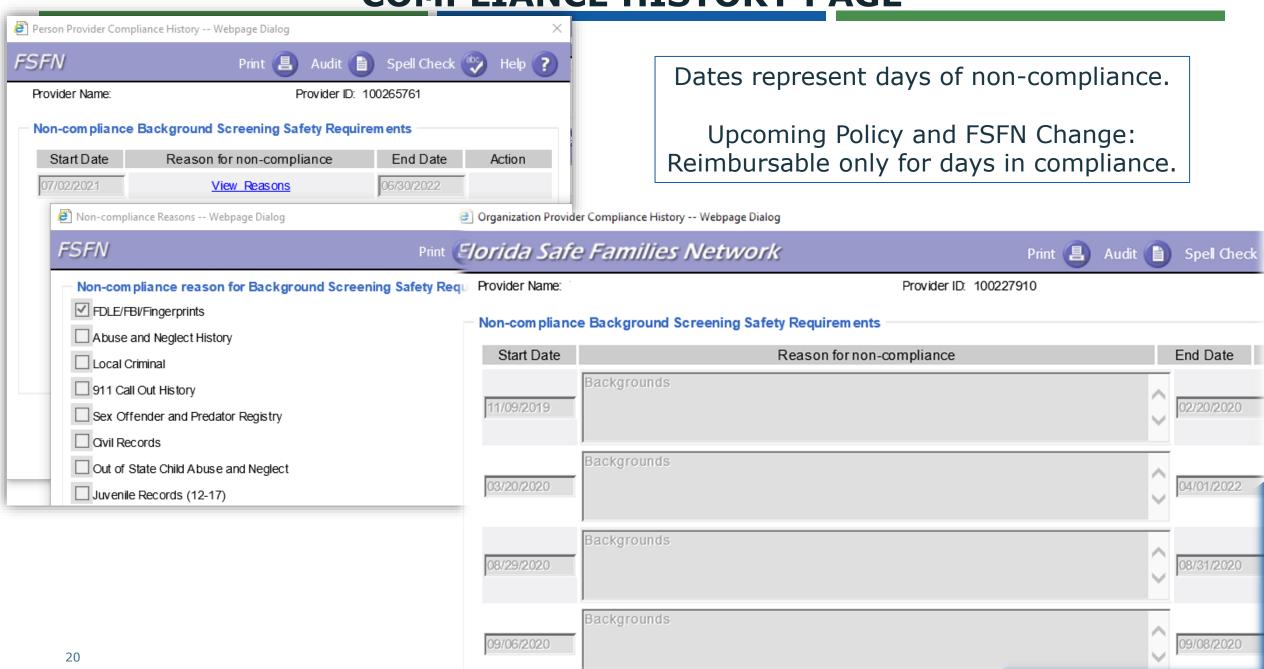
### **Foster Homes and Group Homes**

O2 37. If the child's placement during the PUR was a childcare institution, were the safety If 'No', action taken must be to ensure requirements completed satisfactorily for the caregiver staff of the institution? the non-compliance is entered into FSFN O1 36a. If the foster family home was newly licensed before October 1, 2008, and the title by the Region and ensure IV-E Indicate N/A if the child is in IV-E agency did not "opt out" of the 1997 criminal record check requirement, was a CRC completed satisfactorily on the foster parent(s)? Redeterminations generated. If the bold NO box is checked O1 36c. If the foster family home was newly licensed on or after October 1, 2008, was a Indicate N/A if (1) the child's placement was not a foster family home; (2) the fingerprint-based CRC of the National Crime Information Databases (NCID) completed (3) the foster family home was newly licensed before November 19, 1997, Question 37 applies to the satisfactorily on the foster parent(s)? home was newly licensed on or after October 1, 2008 (or the title IV-E ager after March 27, 2000. The the reason for the N/A response. Otherwise, indicate YES or NO. renewal, or a re-licensure of Indicate N/A, if (1) the child's placement was not a foster family home; or (2) the foster family home was newly licensed before October 1, 2008 (or the that the background checks Question 38(a) applies to the CRC requirement for those foster family homes approved delayed implementation date) and remained continuously licensed after this date. Otherwise, indicate YES or NO. requirements where the chil the title IV-E agency's approved delayed effective date for the fingerprint-bas 1997 CRC provisions prior to October 1, 2008, for these foster family homes Explain below in Comments the reason for the N/A response. For the IV-E review, review, agency to document the results of a CRC. [ACYF-CB-PI-10-02] established policies with res Question 38(c) applies to the CRC for those foster family homes newly licensed on or after October 1, 2008 (or the title IV-E agency's approved For the IV-E review, the CRC requirement is considered met for the PUR for recent period of the licensing delayed effective date for the fingerprint-based check of the NCID). For the noted foster family homes, federal requirements under § 471(a)(20) of the October 1, 2008 (or the title IV-E agency's approved delayed effective date requirements are fully satis Act mandate the title IV-E agency to document a CRC that includes a fingerprint-based check of the NCID. [ACYF-CB-PI-10-02] verifies that: (1) a CRC is completed at either the local, state or federal leve childcare institution during felonies listed under § 471(a)(20)(A)(i) and (ii) of the Act; and (3) title IV-E m (1) the background checks For the IV-E review, the CRC requirement is considered met for the PUR for those foster family homes newly licensed on or after October 1, 2008 (or conditions being met. Note that a request for a CRC without obtaining the re check or reviewing the resul the title IV-E agency's approved delayed effective date for the fingerprint-based check of the NCID) if the documentation clearly verifies that: (1) a safety requirement. record search is not sufficie CRC is completed that includes a fingerprint-based check of the NCID; (2) the foster parent has not been convicted of any of the prohibited felonies listed in §§ 471(a)(20)(A)(i) and (ii) of the Act; and (3) title IV-E maintenance payments are not made for a period in the PUR prior to these conditions being met. A request for a CRC without the results of the record search is not sufficient documentation of compliance with the safety requirement. Yes Yes Yes No No

No



**COMPLIANCE HISTORY PAGE** 



## **Findings**



**Error Case** = IV-E was claimed and should not have been during the Period Under Review.

**Procedural Error Case Only** = Documentation was not properly uploaded in FSFN.

**Underpayments** = A payment should have been funded by IV-E and was unintentionally not.

**Ineligible Payments** = A payment should not have been funded by IV-E and was. An ineligible payment may occur in a Non-Error Case if the payment was outside of the Period Under Review.

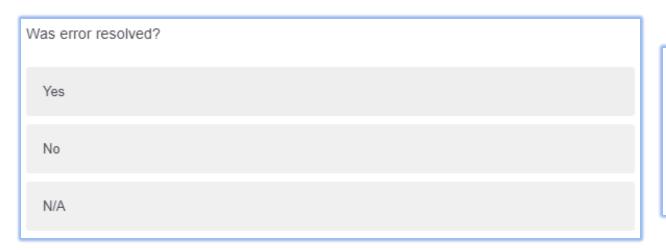


NA

Underpayments

Ineligible Payments

# **Findings**



Comments on Case Type (Actions and Status of Error Case, Underpayment, and/or Ineligible Payment Corrections):

Efforts to correct errors should be made during the review process so that efforts and status of efforts can be reflected in Qualtrics.

Upon review, was CCWIS data determined to be accurate? (if any CWWIS data required modification, the response shall be "no")

Yes

No





# **ADOPTION ELIGIBILITY**

# IV-E AND TANF FEDERAL MONITORING REVIEWS





# **ADOPTION ELIGIBILITY**

Background screening compliance applies to both IV-E and TANF funding sources.

ompliance with timeframes before the execution of the Adoption		eted and in nent? If 'No', this is
Error Case'.		
Yes		
No		
All persons are free of a felony conviction involving:		
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	Yes	No
	Yes	No O
a. Child abuse or neglect	Yes O	No O
a. Child abuse or neglect b. Spousal abuse	Yes O O	No O O
a. Child abuse or neglect b. Spousal abuse c. A crime against a child or children (including child pornography) d. A crime involving violence, including rape, sexual assault, or homicide, but not including other physical assault or battery?	Yes O O O	No

If any of the subsequent questions regarding background screenings are not in compliance, the response to Question 4 must be 'No'.



# **Background Screenings – Apply to IV-E and TANF Funding**

5a. National/federal criminal fingerprint-based background checks - Foster or relative caregivers must be current within 5 years of AAA execution. Nonrelative caregivers or potential adoptive parent(s) who are not						
the current caregiver must be current within 1 year of AAA execution.  Dates results received (list all dates for required persons):						
5b. State criminal background checks - Current within 90 calendar days of AAA execution.						
Dates results received (list all dates for required persons):						
5c. Local (City and/or County) criminal background checks - Current within 90 calendar days of adoptive placement.						
Date results received (list all dates for required persons):						

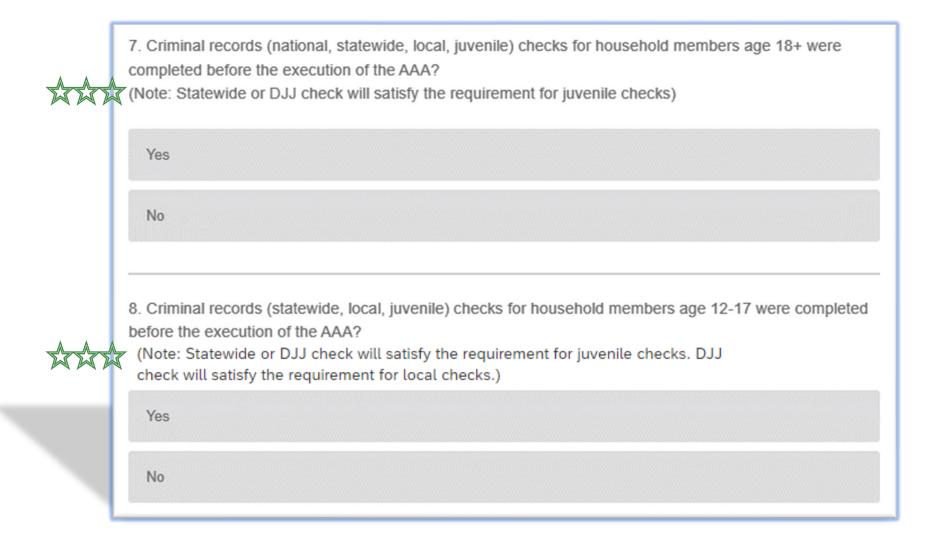


# Background Screenings - Apply to IV-E and TANF Funding

6. Florida Abuse Registry checks - Current within 30 calendar days of AAA execution			
	Yes	No	NA
a. Florida Abuse Registry checks	0	0	0
b. Abuse Registry (Adam Walsh) checks in all other relevant states for adoptive placements on and after 10-1-2006 for all household members who have lived in another state during the previous five years	0	0	0
6a. Florida Abuse Registry checks. Dates results received:			
6b. Adam Walsh Abuse Registry checks. Dates results received:			



## **Background Screenings – Apply to IV-E and TANF Funding**







# To Whom It May Concern:

RE: Foster, Adoption, and Childcare Institution Safety Requirements Request

The State of Florida respectfully requests background screening safety requirements for foster, adoptive and childcare institutions to include documentation that supports federal regulations regarding Criminal Record Checks (CRC). Additionally, packets shall include documentation that the placement meets the receiving state's standards for full licensure.

For compliance in Federal Title IV-E Eligibility On-Site Reviews, the documentation should clearly verify the following:

- (1) a CRC was completed that includes a fingerprint-based check of the
- National Crime Information Databases (NCID) (2) the foster parent has not been convicted of any of the prohibited felonies listed in §§ 471(a)(20)(A)(i) and (ii) of the Act (3) the date the CRC was completed and the evidence reviewed

  - (4) whom the CRC was completed by

Please complete the subsequent document for verification of background screening requirements. A request for a CRC without the results of the record search is not sufficient documentation of compliance with the safety requirement.

Respectfully Requested,

Office of Child Welfare Department of Children & Families

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#### **Error Case versus Procedural Error**



9a. TPR Order may be uploaded in either Pre or Post Adoption FSFN Case.

10. A N/A response is only acceptable if adoption finalization has not yet occurred.



# ADOPTION ASSISTANCE AGREEMENTS (AAA)

The AAA and EAAA are the driving components for a child or young adult being including in our federal adoption claim and AFCARS submissions.

These pages in FSFN must be maintained accurately.

11. Was the 'Initial' Adoption Assistance Agreement signed and dated by all parties prior to the finalization of the adoption? If 'No', this is an 'Error Case'.
Yes
No
11a. Date of adoption finalization: (Indicate N/A if adoption has not finalized)
11b. Last signature date on AAA:
12. Does the signed AAA and the FSFN AAA accurately reflect Effective Date, Date Signed, Subsidy Funding Type, and subsidy amount?
Yes
No
12a. Amount of Subsidy on AAA:
12b. Amount of Subsidy Paid in FSFN:

Note: Do not terminate an AAA or EAAA with the reason of 'Other' or 'Made in Error' in a Post Adoption case without prior consultation with OCFW.



# **SPECIAL NEEDS**

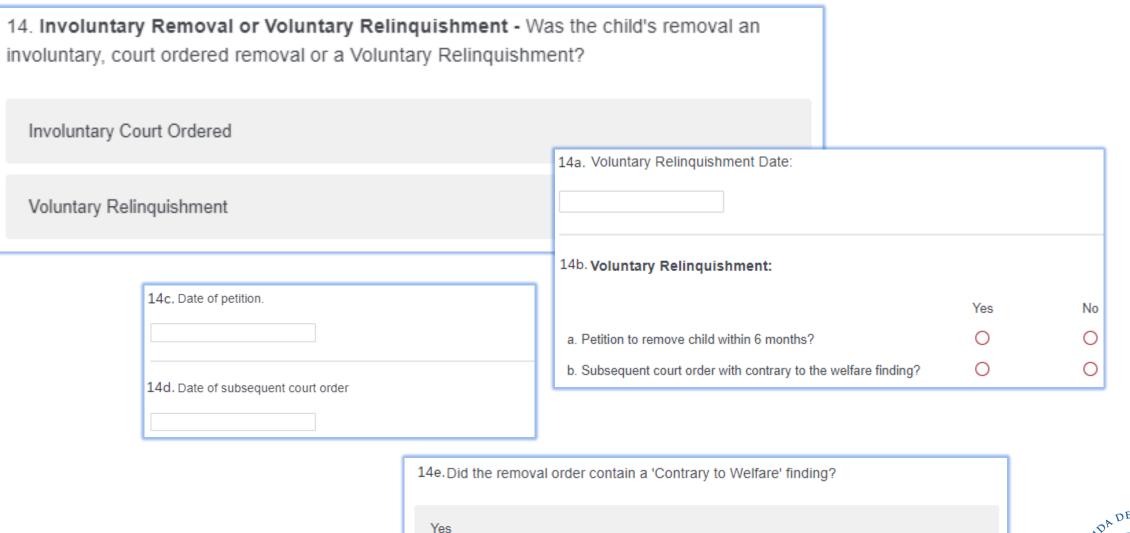
All THREE factors must be met for requirement to be met for receiving adoption assistance.

- 1. Child cannot return home
- 2. Hard to Place Factor
- 3. Reasonable Efforts to Place Without Subsidy

SECTION II: SPECIAL NEEDS			
Special Needs Factors (Must meet all three. If not, child not eligible for subsidy):			
	Yes	No	
a. Child cannot return home	0	0	
b. Hard to place condition or factor	0	0	
b1. Medical or disability requirements for SSI (Applicable Child only)	0	0	
b2. Black or of racially mixed heritage	0	0	
b3. Eight years of age or older	0	0	
b4. Siblings placed together for adoption	0	0	
b5. Intellectual Disability	0	0	
b6. Emotional handicap	0	0	
b7. Physical disability	0	0	
b8. Other clinically diagnosed disability/At Risk			
b9. Significant emotional ties to prospective adoptive parents as a licensed foster child (If this is the only factor, child is not eligible for Title IV-E)			
c. Reasonable effort to place without subsidy OR	0	0	
c1. Prospective adoptive parent(s) is a relative or licensed foster parent			
	0	0	



### **Voluntary Relinquishment – Private Adoptions**



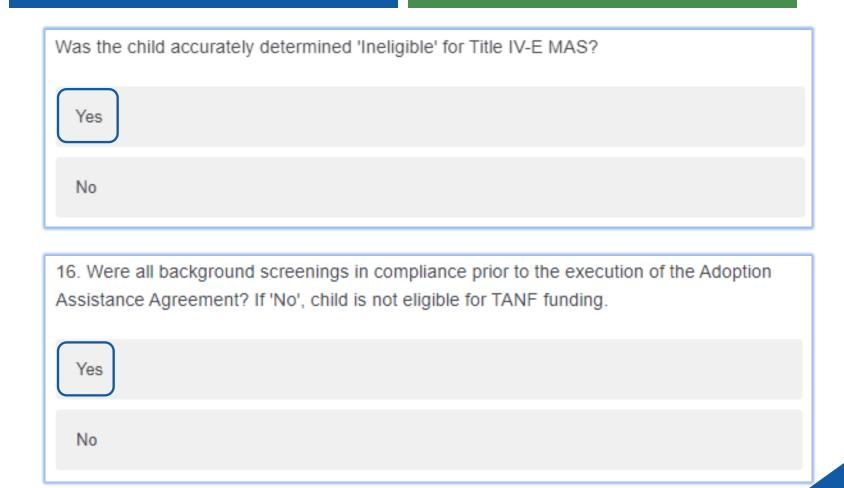
No



# **Applicable or Not Applicable Child - Determines Eligibility Path Options**

SECTION III: APPLICABLE CHILD AND ELIGIBILITY PATH				SECTION III: APPLICABLE CHILD AND ELIGIBILITY PATH		
				15. When the Adoption Assistance Agreement was entered into, was the chill Child based any of the following?	d an App	olicable
	Yes	No		Yes	No	
a. Age at time of adoption	•	0		a. Age at time of adoption	•	
b. 60 consecutive months in foster care	0	0		b. 60 consecutive months in foster care		
c. Sibling of an Applicable Child placed together for adoption	0			c. Sibling of an Applicable Child placed together for adoption	•	
15a. Applicable Child Eligibility Paths:		Yes	No	15b. Not Applicable Child Eligibility Paths:		
15a1. Child that at the time of initiation of adoption proceedings is		0	0		Yes	No
involuntary removal with Contrary to Welfare judicial determination placement agreement.	n or voluntary		0	15b1. Child was eligible for IV-E including AFDC at time of the most recent removal	0	0
15a2. Child meets all the requirements of eligibility for SSI at the t	time of AAA.	0	0	15b2. Child meets all the requirements of eligibility for SSI at the time of AAA	0	0
15a3. Child of a minor parent who was in foster care with the parent.  The child was residing with their minor parent, at the time of removal, and the minor parent was in foster care pursuant to an involuntary removal with Contrary to Welfare judicial determination or voluntary placement agreement.		0	0	15b3. Child of a minor parent  The child's minor parent was in foster care and Title IV-E foster maintenance payments made covered both the minor parent at the time of the child's removal.	0	0
15a4. Child eligible for Title IV-E Adoption Assistance in a prior adoption.  The child's adoption occurred after 10-1-97 and Title IV-E adoption assistance was paid on his/her behalf.			0	15b4. Child eligible for Title IV-E Adoption Assistance in a prior adoption.  The child's adoption occurred after 10-1-97 and Title IV-E adoption assistance was paid on his/her behalf.	0	0

Questions determine if the TANF Eligibility section must be completed for the review.





# **Adoption TANF Eligibility**

TANF MAS - Complete this section documenting TANF Eligibility during Period Under Review
17. Resides in Florida?
Yes
No
18. Determined to meet all three criteria of special needs?
Yes
No
19. Child lives with a specified relative (adoption finalization establishes a specified relative relationship between the child and his or her adoptive parents)?
Yes
No
20. Child has gross income below 200% of the current FPL?
Yes
No

21. The subsidy OCA matches the eligibility specified on the Adoption Assistance Agreement (and/or its amendments) indicated as being paid in FSFN.
Yes
No
21.1 MAS TANF Eligibility Effective From Date (MM/DD/YYYY):
21.2 MAS TANF Eligibility Effective To Date (MM/DD/YYYY):
21.3 TANF Eligibility Determination
Eligible
Ineligible
21.4 AAA Matches Eligibility
Yes
No
21.5 OCA Matches Eligibility

At least one
Adoption TANF
must be
documented. If
one did not occur
during PUR, enter
most recent.



# **Findings**

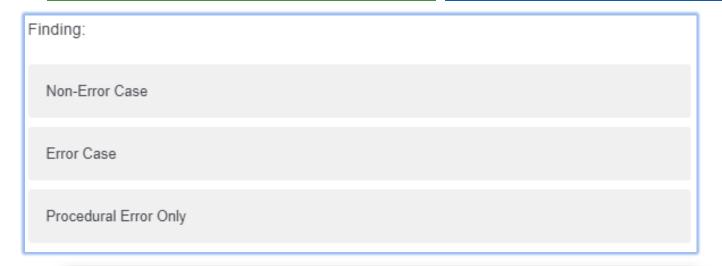


FSFN Adoption Eligibility Determination IV-E Eligible TANF Eligible TANF Ineligible FSFN Applicable Child Determination Applicable Child Not Applicable Child

Selection is based off review.

Selection is based off what FSFN reflected upon review.

#### **Findings**



Summary of Corrections Made and Outstanding Compliance Factors:

The section should clearly explain the errors, actions taken to resolve, and the status.

Any Error Case that results in the Adoption Eligibility in a Post Adoption Case needing to be overridden, an email should be sent to HQW.FS.Eligibility.Redesign@myflfamilies.com once the TPR Order and signed AAA is uploaded to either the Pre or Post Adoption case.

The email must include the reason for the override and background screening dates.

This can be done as soon as the case review is completed.







#### DCF Completed IV-E Reviews:

- <sup>™</sup> Guardianship Assistance Program (GAP)
- 🖹 Extension of Guardianship Assistance Program (EGAP)
- Extension of Maintenance Adoption Subsidy (EMAS)



# IV-E Guardianship Assistance Program (GAP) Review Tool

Sectio	n I: PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS	Yes	No	N/A
(1)	Was the Guardian established as a Relative or Fictive Kin prior to Permanent Guardianship (PG) case closure?			
(2)	Was the child placed with the Guardian as a licensed placement for at least 6 consecutive months prior to PG case closure? (N/A only applicable if eligibility derived by a sibling.)			
(3)	Does the permanent guardianship case plan describe the following for the child? (N/A is only applicable if eligibility derived by a sibling.)			
	(a) The way in which the child meets program eligibility requirements. (b) Efforts to discuss adoption with the child's permanent guardian.			
	<ul><li>(c) The reason why reunification or adoption is not appropriate.</li><li>(d) Efforts to discuss guardianship assistance with the child's parent or the reasons why efforts were not made.</li></ul>			
	<ul> <li>(e) The reasons why a permanent placement with the prospective guardian is in the best interest of the child.</li> </ul>			
	(f) The reason why the child is separated from his or her siblings during placement, if applicable. (g) The manner in which a child 14 years of age older, has been consulted regarding the permanent guardianship arrangement (Not applicable if the child is less than 14 years of age).			
(4)	Was the Guardianship Assistance Agreement (GAA) signed/dated by all parties prior to PG closure?			
(5)	Was the placement with the permanent guardian approved by the court? Date:			
(6)	Is there a completed, accurate Guardianship Assistance Agreement (GAA) completed in FSFN and a completed GAA uploaded to the FSFN File Cabinet? Effective Date:			
(7)	Does the payment amount exceed 100% of the statewide foster board rate? Amount: \$			
(8)	Was Regional approval obtained for payments exceeding 100% of the statewide foster board rate?			
(9)	Does the payment amount on the GAA (FSFN & Signed) match the payment amount issued?			
Redete	erminations			
(10)	Does FSFN have completed 'Redeterminations' every 12 months on the GAP page?			
(11)	Is the completed Guardianship Assistance Program Eligibility Redetermination form (CF-FSP 5441) uploaded in the FSFN File Cabinet?			
Sectio	n II: FUNDING SOURCE	Yes	No	N/A
(12)	Was child determined Title IV-E Foster Care 'Eligible' in removal episode that resulted in Permanent Guardianship and 'Eligible' on FSFN Guardianship Assistance Program Eligibility page?			
(13)	Does the Subsidy Type indicated on the GAA (Initial and Updates) match the OCA of the payments issued in FSFN?			
(14)	Were GAP payments accurately issued? (Not prior to the GAA Effective Date or Effective/Enrolled Date on the FSFN Guardianship Assistance Program Eligibility page and align with PG closure)			
Sectio	n III: FINDINGS			
□Nor	n-Error Case			
	or Case			
	or Resolved: Yes No			
Explair	n Reason for Error and Outcome of Efforts to Resolve:			

Review covers

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being met to

claim title IV-E

for GAP payment

and FSFN

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Section	on I: PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS	Yes	No	N/A
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(4)	Was the Guardianship Assistance Agreement (GAA) signed/dated by all parties prior to PG closure?			
(5)	Was the placement with the permanent guardian approved by the court? Date:			

FSFN populates based on relationship selected on current/discharged out-of-home placement.



#### Review Errors: Relationship does not align with placement entry.





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(4)	Was the Guardianship Assistance Agreement (GAA) signed/dated by all parties prior to PG closure?			
(5)	Was the placement with the permanent guardian approved by the court? Date:			

FSFN populates based on the licensure of the provider for the placement discharged to Permanent Guardianship.

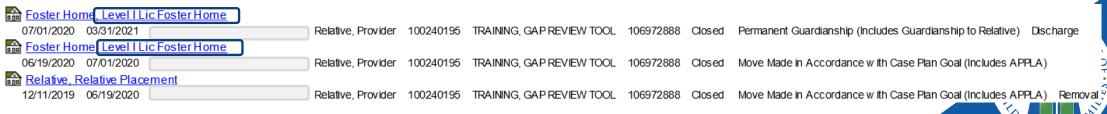
Six consecutive months must be achieved based on the Effective/Enrolled Date on the GAP program page.

Provider must have a license for each type required by each Service Type.

#### **Review Errors: None**





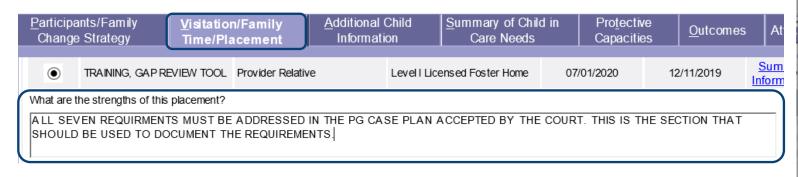


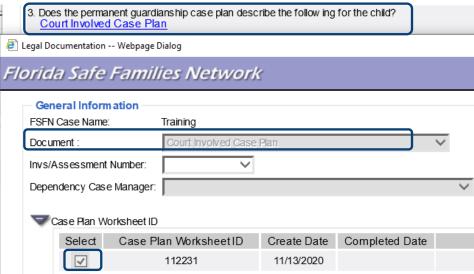
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All 7 elements must be addressed in the PG Case Plan that was accepted by the Court.

The FSFN Case Plan Worksheet with the requirements addressed must be linked to the GAP Eligibility page.

### Review Errors: No case plan has ALL required elements or the incorrect Case Plan Worksheet is linked.





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(4)	Was the Guardianship Assistance Agreement (GAA) signed/dated by all parties prior to PG closure?			
	Was the placement with the permanent guardian approved by the court? Date:			

The GAA must be signed with dates on each signature prior to or on the date of the Permanent Guardianship closure.

The signed GAA must be uploaded to the FSFN File Cabinet.

Both the signed GAA and FSFN GAA must align.

Review Errors: Executed GAA is not being uploaded to FSFN OR signature date is not present OR signature date of DCF representative is after PG case closure OR incorrect Effective Date.

Example 1: Signatures not dated

Guardian Signature

Date Signed

Guardian Signature

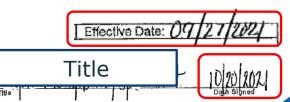
Signature of Guardian 2

Date Signed

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Example 2: Late DCF signature







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(4)	Was the Guardianship Assistance Agreement (GAA) signed/dated by all parties prior to PG closure?			

The PG order must be uploaded and linked to the GAP page.

Each of the following dates should align regarding the approval of the PG by the court:

- Date of Legal Record entry
- Date of out-of-home placement/removal discharge
  - Date of GAP payment beginning

### Review Errors: The order granting PG is not uploaded and incorrect document linked to GAP page OR the dates do not align.





Section	I: PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS	Yes	No	N/A
(7)	Does the payment amount exceed 100% of the statewide foster board rate? Amoun	t: \$		[
(8)	Was Regional approval obtained for payments exceeding 100% of the statewide for	ter boo	ard ro	ite?
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Review Errors: Regional approval documentation is not uploaded to FSFN File Cabinet (5 instances) OR GAA amount not matching payment amount being issued.

Payment (Non-Payment Service) should not be entered into FSFN without validation of signed and FSFN GAA and Regional approval, if necessary, being in FSFN.



Section	on I: PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS	Yes	No	N/A
Redeterminations  (10) Description of the CAR page 2				
(10)	Does FSFN have completed 'Redeterminations' every 12 months on the GAP page?			
(11)	Is the completed Guardianship Assistance Program Eligibility Redetermination form (CF-FSP 5441) uploaded in the FSFN File Cabinet?			

Program Redetermination is required every 12 months in FSFN.

#### Review Errors: Redeterminations not being completed in FSFN nor form uploaded.



File Cabinet

Guardianship Assistance Program - GAP Annual Redetermination
08/30/2021, Redetermination NG.docx

#### **Child Information**

Child Name: TRAINING, GAP REVIEW TOOL Person ID: 106972888 DOB: 08/21/2018 Age: 4



GAP Eligibility Determination Type Effective/ Redetermination Termination Enrolled Date Due Date Date Termination Reason Act	tions

 Eligible
 Initial
 03/31/2021
 03/30/2022
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 Redetermination
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 Eligible
 Redetermination
 03/30/2022
 03/29/2023
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(12)	Was child determined Title IV-E Foster Care 'Eligible' in removal episode that resulted in Permanent Guardianship and 'Eligible' on FSFN Guardianship Assistance Program Eligibility page?			
(13)	Does the Subsidy Type indicated on the GAA (Initial and Updates) match the OCA of the payments issued in FSFN?			
(14)	Were GAP payments accurately issued? (Not prior to the GAA Effective Date or Effective/Enrolled Date on the FSFN Guardianship Assistance Program Eligibility page and align with PG closure)			

Accurate determination of funding source and communication between eligibility staff and program staff is critical.

**Review Errors**: Subsidy Type (funding source) is not accurate on GAA OR payment begin date did not align.





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# Extension of Guardianship Assistance Program (EGAP)

## Extension of Maintenance Adoption Subsidy (EMAS)

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FSFN and signed GAA/AAA must indicate "Opt In" election for extended program.

Signed versions of all agreements must be uploaded to FSFN (pre or post adoption case).

Regional approval of rate can be satisfied by same approval for GAP or MAS.

Young adult cases should **not** be created.

GAA and EGAA are located under Guardianship Assistance Program icon. AAA is located under Adoption icon and EAAA is located under Youth/Young adult icon.

Guardianship Assistance Program

Extended Guardianship Assistance Agreement

Guardianship Assistance Agreement

Adoption Adoption

**Adoption Subsidy Agreement Information** 

Youth/Young Adult

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Extended Maintenance Adoption Subsidy

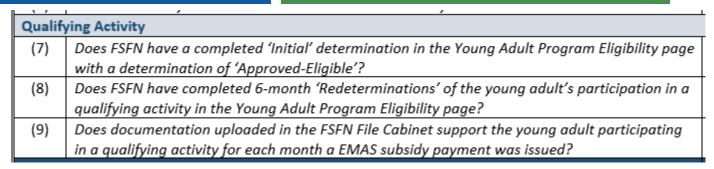


Program redeterminations are required every SIX months.

Young Adult Program Eligibility (YAPE) page is located under Youth/Young adult icon.



Academic and Life Skills Progress



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	(7)	Does FSFN have a completed 'Initial' determination in the Young Adult Program Eligibility page					
		with a determination of 'Approved-Eligible'?					
	(8)	Does FSFN have completed 6-month 'Redeterminations' of the young adult's participation in a					
		qualifying activity in the Young Adult Program Eligibility page?					
	(9)	Does documentation uploaded in the FSFN File Cabinet support the young adult participating					
		in a qualifying activity for each month an EGAP payment was issued?					

Age 18-23



Academic and Life Skills Progress			Age 13-17			Ag <u>e</u> 18-23		
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Age 13-17



# The qualifying activity for each Redetermination must have supporting documentation uploaded in FSFN File Cabinet.

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(12)	Were EGAP payments accurately issued? (Not prior to the Effective Date and signature dates on EGAA or Effective/Enrolled Date on the FSFN Young Adult Program Eligibility page)

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## FINDINGS & CORRECTIONS

- Explanation of Error
- Action to take
- Response to be provided in Word document that confirms actions taken and date completed

Section III: FINDINGS
□ Non-Error Case
☑ Error Case
Error Resolved: 🗆 Yes 🗀 No
Explain Reason for Error and Outcome of Efforts to Resolve:



- (5) The Permanent Guardianship Order is not uploaded and linked to GAP page question #5.
   OCW Action Requested: Upload as a Legal Document the Order for Permanent Guardianship. Terminate 'Initial' determination as 'Created in Error' and reconstruct with court order linked to Question #5.
   CBC Action Status/Date Completed: initial GAP eligibility terminated as "created in error" on 12/2/2022; new initial eligibility page was created and completed on 12/2/2022 with linking court order
- (6) Signed Guardianship Assistance Agreement (GAA) is missing the Effective Date.
   OCW Action Requested: Update signed GAA with correct Effective Date of XX/XX/XX, have all parties initial change and upload the FSFN File Cabinet.

CBC Action Status/Date Completed: initial signed GAA was corrected, initial by GAP specialist and caregiver, and uploaded into FSFN on 12/02/2022

- (10) FSFN does not have a completed 'Redetermination' every 12 months on the GAP page.
   OCW Action Requested: Complete 12-month Redeterminations.
   CBC Action Status/Date Completed: 12 month redetermination completed on GAP eligibility page 12/2/2022
- (11) There is no form CF-FSP 5441 completed and uploaded in FSFN File Cabinet for the Redetermination.
   OCW Action Requested: Upload the completed redetermination form to FSFN File cabinet.
   CBC Action Status/Date Completed: uploaded completed CF-FSP 5441 on 12/2/2022
- (#8) FSFN does not have completed 6-month 'Redeterminations' of the young adult's participation in a qualifying activity in the Young Adult Program Eligibility page.

**OCW Action Requested:** Complete 6-month 'Redeterminations' of the young adult's participation in a qualifying activity in the Young Adult Program Eligibility page.

CBC Action Status/Date Completed: 11/15/22

3. (#9) There is no documentation uploaded in the FSFN File Cabinet to support the young adult participating in a qualifying activity for each month an EGAP payment was issued.

**OCW Action Requested:** Upload documentation to support young adult participating in a qualifying activity for each month an EGAP payment was issued.

CBC Action Status/Date Completed: 11/7/22

4. (#12) Payments were issued beginning 7/26/2021. The effective date of the EGAA is 7/28/2021.

**OCW Action Requested:** Adjust payments made to align with effective date of EGAA.

CBC Action Status/Date Completed: 11/7/22





## QUESTIONS?