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To: Regional Managing Directors and Community Based Care Chief Executive Officers

From: Pete Digre, Deputy Secretary/Operations  
Janice Thomas, Assistant Secretary for Child Welfare 

Subject: New CBC Scorecard 

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**Purpose:** The purpose of this memorandum is to inform you of the upcoming release of the new CBC Scorecard. The new CBC Scorecard will be released quarterly, with the first release scheduled for mid-January 2015 for the quarter ending December 31, 2014. To allow CBCs an appropriate amount of time to review and respond with any questions, this first release will be marked "Draft," and will not be posted on the web.

**Background:** Over the last year, the Department partnered with Casey Family Programs and Community Based Care Lead Agencies to develop a new CBC Scorecard. A workgroup of representatives from the Department and the CBCs developed and recommended measures and targets for the new Scorecard. The recommendations were approved by a Leadership Committee, consisting of Secretary Carroll, representatives from Casey Family Programs, CBC CEOs, CBC service providers, community stakeholders such as the Guardian ad Litem Program, and DCF leadership within the Office of Child Welfare.

The result was a new CBC Scorecard, (attached) consisting of 12 measures, five of which are consistent with the new federal safety and permanency measures released in October of 2014. Targets for the five federal measures are based on the national standards established by the Children's Bureau. Targets for the remaining measures were developed by reviewing and analyzing 2 years worth of quarterly performance data on each measure.

The Office of Child Welfare has developed and posted reports for ten of the twelve measures in the FSFN Reporting Environment in the following folder: : Home\Public Folders\OCWDRU Reports\Outcomes\CBC Scorecard. These reports are designed to allow the CBCs and others to monitor their own progress. Each measure has an on-demand summary report and an on-demand listing report where the user can enter their own reporting periods. Additional details on each measure's logic can be found in the respective report on the Report Description tab. Reports for the two remaining measures, Percent of Children under Supervision Who are Seen Every 30 Days and

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Percent of Children Achieving Permanency in Twelve Months for Children in Foster Care Twelve to Twenty-Three Months, are still in development.

**Action Required:** Please review and disseminate this information as appropriate.

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**Attachments:**

CBC Scorecard

CBC Scorecard Algorithms

## **CBC Draft Scorecard<sup>1</sup>**

The Community Based Care (CBC) Scorecard measures the performance of CBC agencies on a key set of measures; CBC agencies represent one segment of a broader child welfare system. Thus, CBC agency performance and the outcomes of safety, permanency, and well-being are impacted by a wide variety of other stakeholders in Florida. Here is a list of primary stakeholders in addition to CBC agencies:

- Department of Children and Families
- Agency for Persons with Disabilities
- Agency for Health Care Administration
- Child Protective Investigators
- Judiciary
- Managing Entity
- Children's Legal Services
- Guardian Ad Litem
- Parents' Attorneys
- Department of Juvenile Justice
- Schools
- Childcare facilities
- Community Based Care Integrated Health
- Department of Education

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<sup>1</sup> Please see "Draft Scorecard and Contract Measure Algorithms FY 2014-2015 v1.06" to view algorithms for each measure. DCF will produce quarterly scorecard for the public; CBCs can run their own measures more frequently if they wish.

**Safety Measures**

**Value:** Florida's children live free from maltreatment.

**Outcome:** Children are not neglected or abused during or after completion of services.

Measure 1	Target	Reporting Period
<b>#1: Rate of abuse per day while in foster care</b> <i>Federal Measure</i>	8.04 or below = Green 8.05 to 8.84 = Yellow More than 8.84 = Red	9/1/2013 - 8/31/2014 - Federal Register specifies 12 months, 2 month lag for investigations

Measure 2	Target	Reporting Period
<b>#2: Percent of children who are not neglected or abused during in-home services.</b>	95% or above = Green 94.9% - 93% = Yellow Less than 93% = Red	Most recent quarter of available data.

Measure 3	Target	Reporting Period
<b>#3: Percent of children who are not neglected or abused after receiving services.</b>	95% or above = Green 94.9% - 93% = Yellow Less than 93% = Red	Most recent quarter data available.

Measure 4	Target	Reporting Period
<b>#4: Percent of children under supervision who are seen every 30 days.</b>	99.5% or above = Green 99.4%-99.0% = Yellow Less than 99% = Red	Most recent quarter data available.

**Permanency Measures**

**Value:** Florida's children enjoy long-term, secure relationships within strong families and communities.

**Outcome:** All children achieve permanency as quickly as possible with a nurturing, supportive, and safe family.

Measure 5	Target	Reporting Period
<b>#5: Percent of children exiting foster care to a permanent home within 12 months of entering care.</b> <i>Federal Measure</i>	40.4% or above = Green 40.3%-36.4% = Yellow Less than 36.4% = Red	Most recent quarter data available

Measure #6	Target	Reporting Period
<b>#6: Percent of children achieving permanency in 12 months for children in foster care 12 to 23 months.</b> <i>Federal Measure</i>	43.7% or above = Green 43.6%-39.3% = Yellow Less than 39.3% = Red	TBD

Measure 7	Target	Reporting Period
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<b>#7: Percent of children who re-enter foster care within 12 months of moving to a permanent home.</b> <i>Federal Measure</i>	8.3% or below = Green 8.31%-9.05% = Yellow 9.06% or above = Red	Most recent quarter available.
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Measure 8	Target	Reporting Period
<b>#8: Children’s placement moves per 1,000 days in foster care.</b> <i>Federal Measure</i>	4.12 or less = Green 4.13-4.53 = Yellow More than 4.53 = Red	Rolling 12 months

**Well-Being Measures**

**Value:** *Florida’s children are physically and emotionally healthy, and socially competent. Florida’s families’ nurture, protect, and meet the needs of their children, and are well integrated into their communities.*

**Outcome:** *All children receive quality services to achieve optimal health and successful educational achievement.*

Measure 9	Target	Reporting Period
<b>#9: Percent of children in out-of-home care who have received medical services in the last 12 months.</b>	95% and above = Green 94.9% – 90% = Yellow 89.9% and below = Red	Based on last day of reporting period plus 3 month lag.

Measure 10	Target	Reporting Period
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<b>#10: Percent of children in out-of-home care who received dental services within the last seven months.</b>	95% and above = Green 94.9% – 90% = Yellow 89.9% and below = Red	Based on last day of reporting period plus 3 month lag.
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<b>Measure 11</b>	<b>Target</b>	<b>Reporting Period</b>
<b>#11: Percent of young adults in foster care at age 18 that have completed or are enrolled in secondary education, vocational training, and/or adult education.</b>	80% and above = Green 79.9%– 70% = Yellow 69.9% and below = Red	Rolling 12 months (reduces wide variation in data – makes it more representative of performance)

<b>Measure 12</b>	<b>Target</b>	<b>Reporting Period</b>
<b>#12: Percent of children placed with all of their siblings who are also under court jurisdiction.</b>	65% and above = Green 64.9% - 60% = Yellow 59.9% and below = Red	Based on last day of current reporting period.

# Draft Scorecard Measure Algorithms

## FY 2014-2015

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## Measures

### Safety Indicators

1. Rate of abuse or neglect per day while in foster care.
2. Percent of children not abused or neglected while receiving in-home services.
3. Percent of children with no verified maltreatment within six (6) months of termination of supervision
4. Children under supervision who are seen every thirty (30) days

### Permanency Indicators

5. Percent of children exiting foster care to a permanent home within twelve (12) months of entering care
6. Percent of children exiting foster care to a permanent home in twelve (12) months for children in foster care twelve (12) to twenty-three (23) months.
7. Percent of children who do not re-enter foster care within twelve (12) months of moving to a permanent home
8. Placement moves per one-thousand (1,000) days in foster care

### Well-Being Indicators

9. Percent of children in foster care who have received medical services in the last twelve (12) months
10. Percent of children in foster care who have received dental services in the last seven (7) months
11. Percent of young adults who have aged out of foster care who have completed or are enrolled in secondary education, vocational training, and/or adult education
12. Percent of sibling groups where all siblings are placed together



# Definitions

Several key terms related to the measures are defined here.

“*Cohort*” is a group of children who share a common characteristic or event in a period of time or a point in time. Some cohorts are defined by a child’s status on a given date; others are defined by an event (e.g., a removal date or permanency date); still others are defined by the child’s receiving a type of service within a date range.

“*Discharge Date*” is the date a child leaves *foster care* and marks the end of a *removal episode*.

A “*Face-to-face visit*” occurs when a caseworker has contact with a child, face-to-face, regardless of where the visit takes place and documents this activity in FSFN as a case note where the child is selected as a participant and the Face-to-Face Contact has been Completed, regardless of the type of note. The date of the visit is also documented in the case note.

“*Foster Care*” is substitute care provided for children placed away from their parents or guardians regardless of placement type or custodian, including those in licensed board-paid foster care (foster homes and group care), kinship (relative or non-relative) care, or any other placement where the State agency has placement and care responsibility. This status is defined by the entry of a *removal episode* in FSFN.

“*Follow-Up Period*” is the period of twelve (12) months used to measure safety, timely permanency, or re-entry for a *cohort* of children.

“*In-Home Episode*” is a series of consecutive *living arrangements* where there is no more than a full calendar day gap between the ending of one and the beginning of a subsequent *living arrangement*. Any gaps of more than a full calendar day between individual *living arrangements* indicates a different *in-home episode*.

“*In-Home Services*” are case managed services where the child remains with their parent(s) or primary caretakers but the Department maintains supervision. This status is defined by the entry of a *living arrangement* in FSFN.

“*Incident Date*” is the date the *verified maltreatment* occurred based on the findings entered into FSFN.

“*Investigation Completion Period*” is the two (2) month period following the end of the *cohort selection period* and/or the *follow-up period* for child safety indicators. This is necessary to allow up to sixty (60) days for completion of a child protective investigation that may have commenced near the end of the *cohort selection period* and/or the *follow-up period* and entry of findings into FSFN.

“*Length of Stay*” is the duration a child is in *foster care* and is measured as the time between their *removal date* and either their *discharge date* or some other defined date (e.g., the end of the *report period*).

“*Living Arrangement*” is a period of time in which a child is receiving *in-home services*.

“*Permanency*” is the discharge of a child from *foster care* to a permanent home, indicating reunification, adoption, or permanent guardianship. Specific permanency discharge reasons include: Adoption, Guardianship, Guardianship to Non-Relative, Guardianship to Relative, Living with Other Relatives, Reunification with Parent(s)/Primary Caretaker.

“*Permanency Date*” is the *discharge date* when a child is discharged from *foster care* to *permanency*.

“*Post-Placement Supervision*” is any *in-home service* provided following the child’s exiting from *foster care* due to reunification.

*“Removal Episode”* is a period of time where a child is placed in *foster care*, beginning with a *removal date* and ending with a *discharge date*. A *removal episode* may include multiple placements, so the end of a placement may not be the end of a *removal episode*.

*“Report Period”* is the period of time used for selecting a *cohort* of children to be included in the calculation of a specific measure.

*“Report Received Date”* is the date that the initial report regarding allegations of abuse or neglect was received by the Department.

A child is considered *“seen”* if they have had a *“face-to-face visit”* with a caseworker.

A *“Sibling”* is any child in the same case as another child.

A *“Sibling Group”* is any case with two or more children in *foster care*.

*“Termination of Supervision”* means there is a gap of at least one calendar day between closure of one service and the opening of another service. For example, a child who ends one service on July 1<sup>st</sup> at 8am and begins another on July 2<sup>nd</sup> at 11pm would not be considered to have services terminated on July 1<sup>st</sup>. A child who ends services July 1<sup>st</sup> at 8am and begins another on July 3<sup>rd</sup> at 1am would be considered as having services terminated on July 1<sup>st</sup> as one full calendar day (i.e., July 2<sup>nd</sup>) separated the end and beginning of services. Services include both out-of-home care and in-home services, but do not include family support services. The follow-up period after discharge from a removal episode does not begin until after any period of post-placement supervision.

*“Verified Maltreatment”* means that a child had at least one verified finding of abuse or neglect during the measurement period.

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# Description of Indicators

## 1. Rate of abuse or neglect per day while in foster care

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This measure is the rate at which children are the victims of abuse or neglect while in *foster care* during the *report period*. This measure is similar to the proposed federal indicator, *Proposed Safety Performance Area 1 Maltreatment in Foster Care*.

**Report Period:** Rolling twelve (12) month period ending two (2) months prior to the end of the Scorecard Quarter (e.g., August 1, 2013 to July 31, 2014 for the July to September 2014 Scorecard).

**Denominator:** The total number of days in *foster care* for all children in *foster care* for at least twenty-four (24) hours during the *report period* where the *removal episode* had an overall *length of stay* of at least eight (8) days.

**Numerator:** The total number of reports received with at least one instance of *verified maltreatment* during the *report period* and the child's time in *foster care*.

### Algorithm

Select all children in *foster care* for at least twenty-four (24) hours during the *report period* where the *removal episode* had an overall *length of stay* of at least eight (8) days. If a child had multiple *removal episodes* during the *report period*, the days in *foster care* for all such *removal episodes* which meet this criteria are included in the denominator. If a child has no active placements in foster care during the report period, they are excluded from the denominator. Any days in *foster care* after the child turns eighteen (18) year of age are excluded from this measure (i.e., the child's *removal episode* is considered to have ended as of the end of the day immediately prior to their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday). The total number of days that meet the above criteria is the denominator.

The numerator is the count of the total number of reports with at least one *verified maltreatment* for all children in the denominator where the *report received date* was both in the *report period* and during the child's time in *foster care*; was prior to the child's eighteenth (18<sup>th</sup>) birthday; and, did not occur during the first seven (7) days of the child's *removal episode*. If the *incident date* of the *verified maltreatment* indicates that the abuse or neglect was prior to the child's time in *foster care* or the *report period*, that *verified maltreatment* is not included in determining the numerator. All such reports with *verified maltreatment* which meet these criteria are included in the numerator regardless of the perpetrator responsible.

The measure is the total number reports with at least one *verified maltreatment* divided by the total number of days in *foster care* with the result multiplied by one-hundred thousand (100,000) to calculate the rate of victimization per one-hundred thousand (100,000) days in *foster care* and provide a larger and more meaningful number.

Each *removal episode* included in the denominator is assigned to the CBC Lead Agency based on primary caseworker assigned to the case as of the earlier of the *discharge date* of the *removal episode* or the end of the *report period*. Only removal episodes with a worker whose agency type is "CBC Lead Agency" are included in the scorecard calculation.

### Access to Reports and Listings

To be determined.

## 2. Percent of children not abused or neglected while receiving in-home services

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This measure is the percentage of *in-home service episodes* during the *report period* where the child did not have a *verified maltreatment* while receiving the services.

**Report Period:** The three (3) month period ending two (2) months prior to the end of the scorecard quarter (e.g., May 1, 2014 to July 31, 2014 for the July to September 2014 Scorecard).

**Denominator:** The number of children's *in-home service episodes* that lasted at least twenty-four (24) consecutive hours within the *report period*.

**Numerator:** The subset of *in-home service episodes* in the denominator where the child had no *verified maltreatment* while receiving *in-home services* during the *report period*.

### Algorithm

Select all children who had an *in-home service episode*, including *post-placement supervision*, where the episode lasted at least twenty-four (24) consecutive hours during the *report period*. If a child received multiple episodes of *in-home services* during the period, they are counted once for each such episode of service. Any *in-home services* provided after the child turns eighteen (18) years of age are excluded from this measure (i.e., the child's *in-home service episode* is considered to have ended the day prior to their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday).

The numerator is the count of all *in-home service episodes* in the denominator where the child did NOT have a *verified maltreatment* while receiving the *in-home service* where the *report received date* was both in the *report period* and during the child's *in-home service episode*; was prior to the child's eighteenth (18<sup>th</sup>) birthday; and was not the same date as the date the *in-home service episode* began. If the *incident date* of the *verified maltreatment* indicates that the abuse or neglect was prior or equal to the date the *in-home service episode* began or prior to the *report period*, that *verified maltreatment* is not included in determining the numerator. All such reports with *verified maltreatment* which meet these criteria are included in the numerator regardless of the perpetrator responsible.

*In-home service episodes* are assigned to the Lead Agency based on the primary case worker as of the earlier of the termination of the *in-home service episode* or at the end of the *report period*. Only episodes with a worker whose agency type is "CBC Lead Agency" are included in the scorecard calculation.

### Access to Reports and Listings

To be determined.

### 3. Percent of children with no verified maltreatment within six (6) months of termination of supervision

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This measure is the percent of children who are not the victims of abuse or neglect in six months after *termination of supervision*.

**Report Period:** The three (3) month period ending eight (8) months prior the end of the Scorecard Quarter (e.g., November 1, 2013 to January 31, 2014 for the July to September 2014 Scorecard).

**Denominator:** The number of children during the *report period* for whom supervision was terminated.

**Numerator:** The subset of children in the denominator who had no *verified maltreatment* in an investigation received within six (6) months of the *termination of supervision*.

#### Algorithm

Select all children whose supervision was terminated during the *report period*. If a child had supervision terminated multiple times during the *report period*, the earliest termination in the *report period* is included in the calculation of this measure. If a child was in a *removal episode* for less than eight (8) days or the child's *removal episode* was discharged with a discharge reason of "Adoption," "Age of Majority," "Child Turned 18," "Death of Child," "Dismissed by Court," or "Emancipation" that service is not included in the report for the purposes of determining if the child had supervision terminated. Any service where a child will have turned eighteen (18) years of age prior to the full six (6) month followup period after the service has been terminated is not included in the report for the purposes of determining if the child had supervision terminated.

The numerator is the count of children in the denominator where the child had no *verified maltreatments* where the *report received date* of the allegation was in the six (6) months following the *termination of supervision*. If the *incident date* of the *verified maltreatment* indicates that the abuse or neglect was prior to the *termination of supervision* or prior to the *report period*, that *verified maltreatment* is not included for the purposes of calculating the numerator.

Children are assigned to the Lead Agency based on the primary case worker as of the child's *termination of supervision*. Only children with a worker whose agency type is "CBC Lead Agency" are included in the scorecard calculation.

#### Access to Reports and Listings

To be determined.

## 4. Children under supervision who are seen every thirty (30) days

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This measure is the rate at which children are *seen* every thirty (30) days while in *foster care* or receiving *in-home services* during the *report period*.

Report Period: Three (3) month period immediately prior to the end of the Scorecard Month (e.g., July 1, 2014 to September 30, 2014 for the July to September 2014 Scorecard).

Denominator: The total number of days that children were in *foster care* or receiving *in-home services* during the *report period*.

Numerator: The total number of days that children in the denominator had been *seen* in the thirty (30) days immediately prior.

### Algorithm

Select all days a child was in *foster care* or receiving *in-home services* as of the end of the day for any day during the *report period*. If the child was receiving services for less than thirty (30) days and did not have a *face-to-face visit* with a caseworker, they are not included in the denominator. A child who has had a *face-to-face visit* but has not yet been in care for at least thirty (30) days is included in the denominator. Any days during which the child did not reside in the state of Florida or had an active alert indicating the child has runaway or absconded or has been abducted are excluded from the denominator. In addition, once the child no longer meets one of these three conditions, they are also excluded from the denominator until the third day after not meeting the condition unless they have had a *face-to-face visit* with a caseworker. If the child had a *face-to-face visit* during this period, they are included in the denominator again. Once a child turns eighteen (18) years of age, they are no longer included in the denominator. The total number of days that meet the above criteria is the denominator.

The numerator is the subset of total days in the denominator where the child had had at least one *face-to-face visit* in the thirty (30) day period immediately preceding the day.

Children are assigned to the Lead Agency based on the out-of-county services worker assigned to the child or if no such worker, the primary case worker as of the end of each day the child is in care. Only children with a worker whose agency type is "CBC Lead Agency" and the case worker was assigned to the child's case for at least three days prior to the end of the day are included in the scorecard calculation.

### Access to Reports and Listings

To be determined.

## 5. Percent of children exiting foster care to a permanent home within twelve (12) months of entering care

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This measure is the percentage of children who entered *foster care* during the *report period* where the child achieved *permanency* within twelve (12) months of entering *foster care*. This measure is similar to the proposed federal indicator, *Proposed Permanency Performance Area 1: Permanency in 12 Months for Children Entering Foster Care*.

**Report Period:** The three (3) month period that ends twelve (12) months prior to the end of the scorecard quarter (e.g., July 1, 2013 to September 30, 2013 for the July to September 2014 Scorecard).

**Denominator:** The number of children who entered *foster care* during the *report period*.

**Numerator:** The subset of children in the denominator where the child achieved *permanency* within twelve (12) months of their *removal date*.

### Algorithm

Select all children with a new *removal episode* during the *report period* where the *removal episode* was at least eight (8) days in duration. Exclude any *removal episode* ending with a discharge reason of "Dismissed by Court." Exclude any *removal episode* where the child was eighteen (18) years of age before the beginning of the *report period*. If a child has multiple *removal episodes* that meet the above criteria, select only the first such *removal episode* in the *report period*.

The numerator is the count of children in the denominator where the child achieved *permanency* such that their *permanency date* is less than twelve (12) months from the *removal date* of the *removal episode*.

Children are assigned to the Lead Agency based on the primary case worker as of the earlier of the *discharge date* of the *removal episode* or twelve (12) months after the *removal date*. Only episodes with a worker whose agency type is "CBC Lead Agency" are included in the scorecard calculation.

### Access to Reports and Listings

To be determined.

## 6. Percent of children exiting foster care to a permanent home in twelve (12) months for children in foster care twelve (12) to twenty-three (23) months

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This measure is the percentage of children in *foster care* as of the beginning of the report period whose *length of stay* is between twelve (12) and twenty-three (23) months as of the beginning of the report period who achieved *permanency* within twelve (12) months of the beginning of the report period. This measure is similar to the proposed federal indicator, *Permanency Performance Area 2: Permanency in 12 Months for Children in Foster Care 12 – 23 Months*.

**Report Period:** The beginning of the day twelve months prior to the end of the Scorecard Quarter (e.g., January 1, 2014 for the October to December 2014 Scorecard).

**Denominator:** The number of children in *foster care* between twelve (12) and twenty-three (23) months as of the beginning of the report period.

**Numerator:** The subset of children in the denominator where the child achieved *permanency* as of the end of the Scorecard Quarter.

### Algorithm

Select all children in a *removal episode* as of the *report period* where the *removal episode* was at least twelve (12) months but less twenty-four (24) months in duration. Exclude any *removal episode* ending with a discharge reason of “Dismissed by Court.” Exclude any *removal episode* where the child was eighteen (18) years of age prior to or on the date of the *report period*. If a child has multiple *removal episodes* that meet the above criteria, select only the first such *removal episode* that meets the criteria.

The numerator is the count of children in the denominator where the child achieved *permanency* such that their *permanency date* is prior to the end of the Scorecard Quarter and prior to their eighteenth (18) birthday.

Children are assigned to the Lead Agency based on the primary case worker as of the earlier of the *discharge date* of the *removal episode* or the end of the Scorecard Quarter. Only episodes with a worker whose agency type is “CBC Lead Agency” are included in the scorecard calculation.

### Access to Reports and Listings

To be determined.



## 7. Percent of children who do not re-enter foster care within twelve (12) months of moving to a permanent home

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This measure is the percentage of exits from *foster care* to *permanency* for a *cohort* of children who entered *foster care* during the *report period* and exited within twelve (12) months of entering and subsequently do not re-enter *foster care* within twelve (12) months of their *permanency date*. This measure is similar to the proposed federal indicator, *Proposed Permanency Performance Area 3: Re-Entry to Foster Care*.

**Report Period:** The three (3) month period ending twenty-four (24) months prior to the end of the Scorecard month (e.g., July 1, 2012 to September 2012 for the July to September 2014 Scorecard).

**Denominator:** The number of children who entered *foster care* during the *report period* and achieved *permanency* within twelve (12) months of their *removal date*.

**Numerator:** The subset of children in the denominator where the child did not re-entered *foster care* within twelve (12) months of their *permanency date*.

### Algorithm

Select all children who entered *foster care* during the *report period* and achieved *permanency* within twelve (12) months of entry. Exclude exits due to an Adoption Finalization and any *removal episodes* lasting less than eight (8) days. If a child re-entered *foster care* and exited to *permanency* multiple times during the *report period*, only the first exit is included in this measure.

The numerator is the count of children the denominator where the child did not have a subsequent re-entry into *foster care* such that the *removal date* of the re-entry is within twelve (12) months of the *permanency date*. Only one re-entry can occur for each exit from *foster care*. *Removal episodes* which are ended with a discharge reason of "Dismissed by Court" are not considered a re-entry into care.

Children are assigned to the Lead Agency based on the primary case worker as of the *permanency date*. Only exits to *permanency* with a worker whose agency type is "CBC Lead Agency" are included in the scorecard calculation.

### Access to Reports and Listings

To be determined.

## 8. Placement moves per one-thousand (1,000) days in foster care

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This measure is the rate at which children change placements while in *foster care* during the *report period*. This measure is similar to the proposed federal indicator, *Proposed Permanency Performance Area 4: Placement Stability*.

**Report Period:** A rolling twelve (12) month period ending as of the end of the scorecard quarter (e.g., October 1, 2013 to September 30, 2014 for the July to September 2014 Scorecard).

**Report Schedule:** To be determined.

**Denominator:** The total number of days in *foster care* during the *report period* for children entering *foster care* during the *report period*.

**Numerator:** The total number of placement moves during the *report period* for all children in the denominator.

### Algorithm

Select all *removal episodes* for children entering *foster care* during the *report period*. *Removal episodes* lasting less than eight (8) days are excluded. If a child has no active placements in the removal episode during the report period, they are excluded from the denominator. Calculate the total number of days that children were in *foster care* during the *report period* by comparing the child's *removal date* to their *discharge date*. If a child remains in *foster care* as of the end of the *report period*, treat the end of the *report period* as their *discharge date* for this calculation. A child who is only placed in placements not considered a placement move for the purposes of calculating the numerator (e.g., a child only placed in a Visitation service category) are excluded from the denominator regardless of the child's *length of stay*. Any days in *foster care* after the child turns eighteen (18) year of age are excluded from this measure (i.e., the child's *removal episode* is considered to have ended at midnight on the day prior to their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday).

The numerator is the total number of placement moves for all *removal episodes* included in the denominator. All placements are entered into FSFN but not every placement change is considered a placement move for the purposes of this measure. Any placement in the following placement service categories is excluded from the count of placement moves: Child Activity, Missing Child, Respite Placement, Visitation, or a medical placement (Routine/Emergency Medical Services, Routine/Emergency Mental Health Services, Routine/Emergency Services, Hospitalization – Medical, Hospital – Mental) where a single or combination of consecutive medical placements had a duration of fifteen (15) days or less. If two or more consecutive valid placements are with the same provider, the subsequent placement is not considered a placement move. For example, if a child was placed with Provider A, had a placement change to Missing Child, and then returned to Provider A, these three would all be considered a single placement with no placement moves. If a child was placed in an Approved Relative placement with Provider B and the placement changed to a Foster Home placement but was still with Provider B, that would not be considered a placement move. The first placement in the *removal episode* is not considered a placement move for the purpose of calculating the numerator. All other placements, regardless of the time in the placement, are included.

The measure is the total number of placement moves divided by the total number of days in *foster care* with the result multiplied by one-thousand (1,000) to calculate the rate of placement moves per one-thousand (1,000) days in *foster care* and provide a larger and more meaningful number.

*Removal episodes* are assigned to the CBC Lead Agency based on the primary caseworker assigned to the case as of the earlier of the *discharge date* of the *removal episode* or the end of the *report period*. Only removal episodes with a worker whose agency type is “CBC Lead Agency” are included in the scorecard calculation.

### Access to Reports and Listings

To be determined.

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## 9. Percent of children in foster care who have received medical services in the last twelve (12) months

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This measure is the percentage of children in *foster care* as of the end of the *report period* who have received a medical service in the last twelve (12) months.

Report Period: The end of the day as of the day prior to the beginning of the Scorecard Quarter (e.g., June 30, 2014 for the July to September 2014 Scorecard).

Denominator: The number of children in *foster care* as of the end of the *report period*.

Numerator: The subset of children in the denominator where the child has received a medical service in the prior twelve (12) months.

### Algorithm

Select all children in *foster care* as of the end of the *report period* who have been in *foster care* greater than five (5) days as of the end of the *report period* and those in *foster care* five (5) days or less who have received a medical service (i.e., a “medical” condition type has been documented in the child’s Medical History tab in FSFN’s Medical/Mental Health module) in the twelve (12) months prior to the end of the *report period*. Any young adults who are eighteen (18) years of age or older as of the date of the *report period* are excluded.

The numerator is the count of children in the denominator who have had a medical service documented in FSFN where the date of the medical service is in the twelve (12) months prior to the end of the *report period*.

Children are assigned to the Lead Agency based on the primary case worker as of the end of the *report period*. Only children with a worker whose agency type is “CBC Lead Agency” are included in the scorecard calculation.

### Access to Reports and Listings

To be determined.

## 10. Percent of children in foster care who received dental services within the last seven (7) months

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This measure is the percentage of children in *foster care* as of the end of the *report period* who have received a dental service in the last seven (7) months.

Report Period: The end of the day as of the day prior to the beginning of the Scorecard Quarter (e.g., June 30, 2014 for the July to September 2014 Scorecard).

Denominator: The number of children in *foster care* as of the end of the *report period*.

Numerator: The subset of children in the denominator where the child has received a dental service in the prior seven (7) months.

### Algorithm

Select all children three (3) years of age and older and in *foster care* as of the end of the *report period* who have been in *foster care* greater than six (6) months as of the end of the *report period* and those in *foster care* six (6) months or less who have received a dental service (i.e., a “dental” condition type has been documented in the child’s Medical History tab in FSFN’s Medical/Mental Health module) in the seven (7) months prior to the end of the *report period*. Any young adults who are eighteen (18) years of age or older as of the date of the *report period* are excluded.

The numerator is the count of children in the denominator who have had a dental service documented in FSFN where the date of the dental service is within the seven (7) months prior to the end of the *report period*.

Children are assigned to the Lead Agency based on the primary case worker as of the end of the *report period*. Only children with a worker whose agency type is “CBC Lead Agency” are included in the scorecard calculation.

### Access to Reports and Listings

To be determined.

# 11. Percent of young adults who aged out of foster care who have completed or are enrolled in secondary education, vocational training, and/or adult education

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This measure is the percentage of young adults who aged out of *foster care* who had either completed or were enrolled in secondary education, vocational training, or adult education as of their eighteenth (18) birthday.

**Report Period:** The twelve (12) month period ending as of the end of the Scorecard Quarter (e.g., October 1, 2013 to September 30, 2014 for the July to September 2014 Scorecard).

**Denominator:** The number of young adults who aged out of *foster care* and turned eighteen (18) years of age during the *report period*.

**Numerator:** The subset of young adults in the denominator who had completed or were enrolled in secondary education, vocational training, or adult education as of their eighteenth (18) birthday.

## Algorithm

Select all young adults who turned eighteen (18) years of age during the *report period* and had aged out of *foster care* as documented by a discharge reason of Age of Majority, Child Turned 18, or Emancipation.

The numerator is the count of young adults in the denominator who meet one of the following:

1. The young adult has either a High School Diploma, GED Certificate, or Certificate of Completion/Special Diploma checked on the Education Information screen in FSFN and the corresponding date field is prior to or on the young adult's eighteenth (18) birthday. In addition, they must have an end date (prior to or on the young adult's eighteenth (18) birthday) and one of the following Completion Statuses entered on the Maintain Education History Tab:
  - Standard High School Diploma
  - Standard High School Diploma (GED and Graduation Test)
  - Standard High School Diploma (GED and Alternate Assessment)
  - Standard Diploma (FCAT waiver)
  - Adult Standard High School Diploma
  - Adult State of Florida Diploma (GED)
  - State of Florida Diploma (GED)
  - Special Diploma 1
  - Special Diploma 2
2. The Program Type is Adult Education, Career & Vocational Education, or GED and the end date is prior to the 18<sup>th</sup> birthday and completion status is Certificate of Completion.
3. The young adult was enrolled in school where:
  - a. the enrollment begin date is less than or equal to their eighteenth (18) birthday and the enrollment end date is either blank or after the eighteenth (18) birthday; and either:
    - i. the school type is Vocational/Technical  
OR
    - ii. the grade is Vocational/Technical  
OR
    - iii. the grade is Ninth, Tenth, Eleventh, or Twelfth  
OR

iv. the Program Type is Adult Education, Career & Vocational Education, or GED

Young adults are assigned to the Lead Agency based on the primary case worker as of their *discharge date*. Only young adults with a worker whose agency type is "CBC Lead Agency" are included in the scorecard calculation.

### Access to Reports and Listings

To be determined.

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## 12. Percent of sibling groups where all siblings are placed together

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This measure is the percentage of *sibling groups* with two or more children in *foster care* as of the end of the *report period* where all *siblings* are placed together.

Report Period: The end of the day of the Scorecard Quarter (e.g., September 30, 2014 for the July to September 2014 Scorecard).

Denominator: The number of *sibling groups* with two or more children in *foster care* as of the end of the *report period*.

Numerator: The subset of *sibling groups* in the denominator where all *siblings* in *foster care* are placed together.

### Algorithm

Select all *sibling groups* with two or more children in *foster care* as of the end of the *report period*. Any child eighteen (18) years of age as of the end of the *report period* is not considered a child in *foster care* for the purposes of determining if a *sibling group* should be included in the denominator.

The numerator is the count of *sibling groups* in the denominator where all *siblings* in *foster care* are placed with the same provider as of the end of the *report period* (i.e., the same ID\_PRVD\_ORG for the placements). Any child eighteen (18) years of age as of the end of the *report period* is not considered a child in *foster care* for the purposes of determining if a *sibling group* should be included in the numerator.

*Sibling groups* are assigned to the Lead Agency based on the primary case worker as of the end of the *report period*. Only *sibling groups* with a worker whose agency type is "CBC Lead Agency" are included in the scorecard calculation.

### Access to Reports and Listings

To be determined.