

## *Sample Questions for Lead Questioners*

To Case Workers	To Foster Parents	To Parents	To Other Parties
What are your concerns?	What are your concerns?	What are your concerns?	What are your concerns?
Are all of the child's needs being met?	Are all of the child's needs being met?	Are all of the child's needs being met?	Are all of the child's needs being met?
When do you perceive the child will actually reach permanency?	Are you willing to provide permanency if reunification does not occur?	Do you need any further help or services to achieve your case plan goals?	Are you kept adequately informed of case progress?
What is your perception of the case progress at this point?	How is your communication with the other parties (case worker, GAL)?	Do you know what your case plan goals are? Are team meetings productive?	What do you believe needs to happen for permanency to occur?
What are your next steps?	Do you have any communication with the biological parents?	Do you have opportunities to communicate with the case worker and others as needed?	Is the case plan in the child's best interest? Are safety, permanency, and well-being being considered?
How are visits going? Any specific concerns?	Are the children up to date on their medical appointments? What medications are they on? Are you aware of all diagnoses?	How are visits going? What do you guys do on visits? Have you been able to attend consistently?  If not, what are the barriers and your suggestions?	Are you invited to team meetings? Are team meetings productive?
How is the child doing in school?	How is the child doing in school?	How is your child doing in school? Are you involved in educational decisions?	How is the child doing in school?
Are all of the court's orders being followed?	What does the child like to do for fun? Any extra-curricular activities?	Do you have adequate communication with your attorney?	Could the children safely return home?

- **Remember:** No question needs to be asked if it is not relevant to the case or if you feel they are already answered by the case summaries. Add any questions that are case-specific that are not covered here.
- Your Review Specialist will give you a heads up if they know for sure that a participant will be in attendance, but remember that participants frequently show up without informing the Review Specialist.
- Get into the habit of writing down your questions for all your cases, but especially when assigned as the Lead Questioner.
- Keep in mind each participant should be given no more than 15 minutes to answer questions and give their case concerns.