

Local Board Findings Worksheet

Children's Names _____
FCRO Local Board Number/Location _____
Date of Board Meeting _____

Strengths

Current Barriers to Achieving Permanency:

Recommendations for Alleviating Barriers:

Recommendations Regarding Child's Well-being

Board's Findings and Rationale

Placement

- A1 The child/children's current placement appears safe.
A2 The child/children's current placement appears unsafe due to _____.
A3 The child/children's safety in the current placement could not be determined due to _____.
- B1 The child/children's current placement appears appropriate.
B2 The child/children's current placement appears inappropriate due to _____.
B3 The appropriateness of the child/children's current placement could not be determined due to _____.

DHHS case plan

- C1 The DHHS case plan was available and reviewed.
- C2 There was no DHHS case plan.

First follow-up finding if C1 was chosen:

- C10 The DHHS case plan was updated within the last six months.
- C11 The DHHS case plan was not updated in the last six months.

Second follow-up finding if C1 was chosen:

- C20 The DHHS case plan was complete.
- C21 The DHHS case plan was incomplete due to _____.

Current DHHS safety planning

- D1 DHHS evaluated the child/children’s safety and adequate safety measures and services are currently in place.
- D2 DHHS does not have adequate safety measures and services in place; it has not addressed _____.
- D3 Whether DHHS currently has adequate safety measures and services in place cannot be assessed due to _____.

Court ordered primary permanency plan

- E1 There is a court-ordered primary permanency plan objective.
- E2 There is not a court-ordered primary permanency plan objective.

Follow up finding if E1 was chosen:

- E10 At the time of the FCRO review, that objective is still appropriate.
- E11 At the time of FCRO review the current objective is not appropriate due to _____.
- E12 At the time of FCRO review the continued appropriateness of the primary objective cannot be determined due to _____.

DHHS efforts towards primary permanency plan

- F1 DHHS is making reasonable efforts towards the court-ordered primary permanency objective.
- F2 DHHS is not making reasonable efforts towards the court-ordered primary permanency objective; _____ needs to occur.
- F3 DHHS efforts towards the court-ordered primary permanency objective cannot be determined due to _____.
- F4 There is not a court-ordered primary permanency objective so the level of DHHS efforts toward it cannot be assessed.

Progress to primary goal

- G1 Progress is being made towards the court-ordered primary permanency objective.
- G2 Minimal progress towards the court-ordered primary permanency objective is being made; _____ still needs to occur.
- G3 No progress is being made towards the court-ordered primary permanency objective.
- G4 It cannot be determined if progress is being made towards the court-ordered primary permanency objective due to _____.
- G5 There is not a court-ordered primary permanency objective so progress toward it cannot be assessed.

Most recent court order completeness

- H1 The most recent court order contained a complete plan.
- H2 The most recent court order contained an incomplete plan; it lacked _____.
- H3 The most recent court order did not contain a plan.
- H4 There is no recent adjudication, disposition, review or permanency hearing order so it is not possible to determine the completeness of that plan.

Court ordered concurrent permanency plan

- J1 There is a court-ordered concurrent permanency plan objective.
- J2 There is not a court-ordered concurrent permanency objective.

Follow up finding if J1 was chosen:

- J10 The board finds that the concurrent objective is still appropriate.
- J11 The board finds that the concurrent objective to not still be appropriate due to _____.
- J12 The board cannot determine the appropriateness of continuing the concurrent objective due to _____.

Follow up finding if J2 was chosen:

- J20 The board finds that a concurrent plan is not necessary.
- J21 The board finds that a concurrent plan of _____ should be ordered.

DHHS efforts towards concurrent permanency objective

- K1 DHHS is making reasonable efforts towards the court-ordered concurrent permanency objective.
- K2 DHHS is not making reasonable efforts towards the court-ordered concurrent permanency objective; _____ needs to occur.
- K3 DHHS efforts towards the court-ordered concurrent permanency objective cannot be determined due to _____.
- K4 There is not a court-ordered concurrent permanency objective so efforts toward it cannot be assessed.

Progress to concurrent goal

- L1 Progress is being made towards the court-ordered concurrent permanency objective.
- L2 Minimal progress towards the court-ordered concurrent permanency objective is being made; _____ still needs to occur.
- L3 No progress is being made towards the court-ordered concurrent permanency objective.
- L4 Progress towards the court-ordered concurrent permanency objective cannot be determined due to _____.
- L5 There is not a court-ordered concurrent permanency objective so progress toward it cannot be measured.

Need for out-of-home placement

- M1 The board finds there is a continued need for out of home placement.
- M2 The board finds there is no longer a need for out of home placement.
- M3 The child is in a trial home visit.

Follow up finding if M2 was chosen:

- M20 The child should be returned to parent(s) from whom removed.
- M21 Custody should be granted to the non-custodial parent and the case closed.
- M22 The child's adoption, guardianship, or other permanency should be finalized.

Follow up finding if M3 was chosen:

- M30 Continued court oversight is needed.
- M31 Continued court oversight is not needed and the case should close.

Required finding on likeliness of return to parents and alternative permanency

- N1 Return of the child/children to the parent(s) from whom removed is likely or may be possible.
- N2 Return of the child to the parent(s) from whom removed has occurred through a trial home visit.
- N3 Return of the child to the parent(s) from whom originally removed is unlikely.

Follow up finding if N3 was chosen:

- N30 The board recommends custody be granted to the non-custodial parent and the case closed.
- N31 The board recommends referral for termination of parental rights and/or completion of adoption.
- N32 The board recommends referral for termination of parental rights and/or completion of guardianship.
- N33 The board recommends a planned, permanent living arrangement other than adoption or guardianship.
- N34 The board recommends permanent placement with a relative without adoption or guardianship.

Required finding on TPR

- P1 Grounds for termination of parental rights appear to exist.
- 43-292[1] abandonment prior to filing petition
 - 43-292[2] substantially and ...repeatedly neglected and refused to give the juvenile or a sibling...parental care and protection
 - 43-292[3] parents are financially able but willfully neglected to provide...
 - 43-292[4] parents unfit...debauchery...liquor..drugs..lewd and lascivious behavior...
 - 43-292[5] parents unable...mental illness or mental deficiency...
 - 43-292[6] (3)(a) of §43-247...reasonable efforts...under section 43-283.01, ... have failed to correct...
 - 43-292[7] ... in an out-of-home placement for fifteen or more months of the most recent twenty-two months
 - 43-292[8] parent has inflicted upon the juvenile, by other than accidental means, serious bodily injury
 - 43-292[9] ... aggravated circumstance..., abandonment, torture, chronic abuse, or sexual abuse
 - 43-292 (10) parent has (a) committed murder of another child of the parent, (b) committed voluntary manslaughter of another child of the parent, (c) aided or abetted, attempted, conspired, or solicited to commit murder, or aided or abetted voluntary manslaughter of the juvenile or another child of the parent, or (d) committed a felony assault that resulted in serious bodily injury to the juvenile or another minor child of the parent.
 - 43-292(11) one parent has been convicted of felony sexual assault of the other parent under 28-319.01 or 28-320.01 or a comparable crime in another state.
- P2 Grounds for termination of parental rights do not appear to exist.
- P3 Whether or not grounds for termination of parental rights exist cannot be determined due to _____.
- P4 The required finding on grounds for termination of those rights does not apply due to (parent rights not intact, parents deceased, etc.).

Follow up finding if P1 was chosen:

- P10 Termination would be in the child’s best interests.
- P11 Termination would not be in the child’s best interests.

Advocacy (Letters, Meetings, etc.)

Board Members Assenting	Board Members Dissenting

Board Members Abstaining Due to Conflict of Interest:

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