

PERFORMANCE NOTE: AGENCY FORM

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SHORT TITLE: Child Welfare Amendments

funding for: New agency New services or benefits Serving a new or larger population

DUE TO THE FISCAL ANALYSIS

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HOW WILL THE PUBLIC BENEFIT?

1 What is the purpose and the duties of the new program, agency, services, or population served? JR4-2-404(4)(c)(i)

Better coordination between law enforcement, DCFS, and other agencies to better serve families.

2 What services are provided by the funding increase? JR4-2-404(4)(c)(ii)

A funding increase would provide additional staff to allow them more time to participate in this program.

3 What are the expected outcomes of the new or expanded program and how will the public benefit? JR4-2-404(4)(c)(iii)

The hope would be for families in the communities selected for the pilot to receive the services they need through the coordinated effort of key community agencies and partnerships. When families have the services and resources they need, they are in a better position to care for their children and stay out of the criminal and child welfare systems.

4 How will the bill be implemented and what resources are available to achieve the expected outcomes? JR4-2-404(4)(c)(iv)

Law Enforcement, DCFS, the Children's Justice Centers, Primary Children's Safe and Healthy Families program, and the Office of the Attorney General currently coordinate through already established Multi Disciplinary Teams. These MDTs are coordinated and continued through the efforts of the CJs. The program has been effectively operating for years to determine the best course of action for cases involving the most severe cases of abuse and neglect.

5 How will the proposed agency activities cause the expected outcomes and public benefit in 3?

DCFS staff would be trained and expectations for participation in the pilot program would be made clear. DCFS staff would coordinate and collaborate with all identified community partners and agencies to achieve more successful outcomes for families.

2. PERFORMANCE MEASURES:

What measures will managers and policymakers use to know if the new or expanded program is providing the expected outcomes and public benefits? Provide one, two, and three year goals or targets, actual results and measures if available to serve as a baseline, and outcomes.

Goal (public benefit): Community and public agency partnerships would better coordinate to help families receive the services they need.

Measure Title:

Description:

A drop in criminal and child welfare cases in the communities where the pilot is implemented.

Fiscal Year:	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Target or Benchmark:					
Baseline:					

How will program managers collect this performance information and ensure its reliability?

Information about how service delivery is currently targeting and serving families would be necessary prior to the pilot starting. A clear baseline is needed to identify whether the program is having any level of effectiveness.

Goal (public benefit): Communities would have a better sense for the services and resources their families need.

Measure Title:

Description:

Communities would coordinate better to bring in needed help and resources into their areas to better serve the needs of their children and families.

Fiscal Year:	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
Target or Benchmark:					
Baseline:					

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A pre-pilot survey to determine services needed by families in the community. Post surveys to determine the effectiveness of community resource development and access efforts, in addition to measuring criminal and child welfare recidivism.

Goal (public benefit): Coordinated efforts could reduce the duplication of service delivery of different agencies working with the same families.

Measure Title:

Description:

Open communication between agencies to improve the coordinated efforts of agencies serving the same families. More coordination and pooling resources could help provide better services. These efforts may also help to prevent families from having to duplicate their efforts for several different agencies.

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How will program managers collect this performance information and ensure its reliability?

Measuring the use of funds for specific programs to determine if coordinated efforts reduced the agencies overall spending on those specific programs.