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## POLICY AND FYI RELEASE UPDATE – 2<sup>ND</sup> QUARTER 2024

This policy release update provides staff with a summary of new/revised guides and FYI's posted on LA Kids during the second quarter of 2024.

### Policy Guides:

#### [0070-548.20 Taking Children into Temporary Custody | Revision Date: 6/5/2024](#)

This policy guide was updated to add modifications which reflect special procedures to follow when taking Indian children into temporary custody, and for the CSW to now report to court on the potential harms that may result from removing a child from their parent, guardian, or Indian custodian.

#### [1200-500.30 - DCFS Countywide Drug and Alcohol Testing Program | Revision Date: 6/10/2024](#)

This policy guide was updated to provide information regarding the use of the Testing Program, including additional information on use of temporary identification (ID), updates on enrolling youth (minors) in testing, as well as updates to specialized schedule testing.

#### [0080-507.22 Family Finding and Engagement Program \(FFEP\) | Revision Date: 6/13/2024](#)

This policy guide was updated to provide information on establishment of the Family Finding and Engagement Program, which combines the Upfront Family Finding (UFF) Program and Permanency Partners Program (P3). The name of this procedural guide was also changed from Permanency Partners Program (P3) to Family Finding and Engagement Program (FFEP).

### FYI's:

#### [FYI 24-03 TRANSPORTATION SERVICES](#)

This FYI is to inform staff of resources available for clients who need assistance to attend medical appointments.

#### [FYI 24-04 CAMPERSHIP PROGRAM SUMMER 2024 CAMPERSHIP ENROLLMENT](#)

This FYI is to inform staff that the DCFS Campership Program Summer 2024 provides financial support for eligible children and youth (ages six through 17 with an open DCFS case) to attend one Campership-reimbursed camp session per summer.

#### [FYI 24-05 EBONY ALERTS \(REV 05/22/2024\)](#)

This FYI is to inform staff of the Ebony Alert Program that is a new resource available to law enforcement agencies investigating the suspicious or unexplainable disappearance of a Black person.

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[FYI 24-06 SHORT-TERM RESIDENTIAL THERAPEUTIC PROGRAM \(STRTP\) CENTRALIZATION](#)

This FYI is intended to inform staff of the STRTP centralization process that will be taking effect May 15, 2024. Currently, STRTP centralization is being practiced in the Vermont Corridor, Metro North, Lancaster, Pasadena, South County, Glendora and Palmdale Regional Offices.

[FYI 21-04 SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER – TRAUMA-INFORMED PARENT SUPPORT PROGRAM, INCLUDING USE OF CLIENT ENGAGEMENT AND NAVIGATION SERVICES \(REV 05/16/2024\)](#)

This revision is to inform staff of the updated [SUD-TIPS Referral Form](#) and updated contact information (email addresses) for the Client Engagement and Navigation Services (CENS) area office sites.

[FYI 19-20 PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITALIZATION DISCHARGE PLANNING \(REV 05/24/2024\)](#)

This revision is to inform staff to alert the DCFS Discharge Planning Coordinator when a child/youth is psychiatrically hospitalized in order to initiate the scheduling of a Psychiatric Hospital Discharge Video Conference.

[FYI 24-07 PHOTOS OF CHILDREN/YOUTH](#)

This FYI is to inform staff of the benefits of photo records of life events for children/youth in care and how to access KidPix.

[FYI 21-16, LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES RISK MANAGEMENT DIVISION INTERNAL AFFAIRS \(REV\)](#)

This revision is to inform staff of a few updates to the Internal Affairs (IA) administrative investigation to include possible consultation with County Counsel.

[FYI 24-09 FEATHER ALERTS](#)

This FYI is to inform staff of the Feather Alert Program that is a new resource available to law enforcement agencies investigating the suspicious or unexplainable disappearance of an indigenous person.

[FYI 22-16, COMPLEX CARE PLACEMENTS FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH AND NONMINOR DEPENDENTS WITH UNMET COMPLEX CARE NEED \(REV 06/21/2024\)](#)

This FYI was updated to add links to related Assembly Bills and to clarify the Complex Care Funding Allocation Table.

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