

5-1304.

THE EFFECTIVENESS OF EFFORTS TO PROTECT CHILDREN REMOVED FROM THEIR HOMES FROM ABUSE AND NEGLECT SHALL BE MEASURED BY:

(1) THE INCIDENCE OF INDICATED OR UNSUBSTANTIATED FINDINGS OF CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT OF CHILDREN IN THE CUSTODY OF A LOCAL DEPARTMENT, OR A PLACEMENT AGENCY, FOR PLACEMENTS:

- (I) IN FOSTER CARE HOMES;
- (II) IN KINSHIP CARE HOMES;
- (III) IN RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT CENTERS OR GROUP HOMES;
- (IV) WITH FAMILY MEMBERS; AND
- (V) IN OTHER FORMS OF SUBSTITUTE CARE;

(2) THE INCIDENCE OF INDICATED OR UNSUBSTANTIATED FINDINGS OF CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT WITHIN 12 MONTHS FOLLOWING THE RELEASE OF THE CHILD COMMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT; AND

(3) ANY OTHER INDICATORS ADOPTED BY THE SECRETARY UNDER § 5-1302 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

5-1305.

THE EFFECTIVENESS OF EFFORTS TO ADDRESS PERMANENCY AND STABILITY IN THE LIVING SITUATIONS OF CHILDREN IN THE CUSTODY OF A LOCAL DEPARTMENT, OR A PLACEMENT AGENCY, SHALL BE MEASURED BY:

(1) THE PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN WHO EXIT FOSTER CARE WITHIN 48 MONTHS AFTER INITIAL PLACEMENT TIME PERIODS CONSISTENT WITH FEDERAL NATIONAL STANDARDS WITH A BREAKDOWN BY EACH STANDARD;

(2) THE PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN WITH MULTIPLE PLACEMENTS IN FOSTER CARE MORE THAN TWO OUT-OF-HOME PLACEMENTS DURING A REPORT YEAR;

(3) THE PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN IN THE CUSTODY OF A LOCAL DEPARTMENT, OR A PLACEMENT AGENCY, WHO HAVE SIBLINGS LIVING IN DIFFERENT PLACEMENTS;

(4) ~~THE PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN WITH PERMANENCY PLANS OF REUNIFICATION WHO RECEIVE:~~

~~(I) WEEKLY VISITS WITH THEIR PARENTS; AND~~

~~(II) MORE FREQUENT EXTENDED VISITS WITHIN A 2-MONTH PERIOD PRIOR TO THE SCHEDULED DATE OF REUNIFICATION;~~

(5) THE PERCENTAGE OF CHILDREN WHO EXIT FOSTER CARE AND ARE:

(I) REUNIFIED WITH A PARENT OR GUARDIAN;