

(2) For a child who has attained the age of 16 YEARS, determine the services needed to assist the child to make the transition from placement to independent living.

(h) (1) (i) Except as provided in subparagraphs (ii) and (iii) of this paragraph, the court shall conduct a hearing to review the permanency plan at least every 6 months until commitment is rescinded or a voluntary placement is terminated.

(ii) The court shall conduct a review hearing every 12 months after the court determines that the child shall be continued in out-of-home placement with a specific caregiver who agrees to care for the child on a permanent basis.

(iii) 1. Unless the court finds good cause, a case shall be terminated after the court grants custody and guardianship of the child to a relative or other individual.

2. If the court finds good cause not to terminate a case, the court shall conduct a review hearing every 12 months until the case is terminated.

3. THE COURT MAY NOT CONCLUDE A REVIEW HEARING UNDER SUBSUBPARAGRAPH 2 OF THIS SUBPARAGRAPH UNLESS THE COURT HAS SEEN THE CHILD IN PERSON.

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(b) (1) There is a Court-Appointed Special Advocate Program.

(2) The purpose of the Program is to provide volunteers whose primary purpose is to ensure [that children who are the subject of a CINA proceeding are provided with] THE PROVISION OF appropriate service and case planning [that is in their] CONSISTENT WITH THE best [interest] INTERESTS OF:

(I) A CHILD WHO IS THE SUBJECT OF A CINA PROCEEDING; OR

(II) A CHILD WHO IS THE SUBJECT OF A CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP PROCEEDING UNDER § 3-819.2 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(3) The Administrative Office of the Courts:

(i) Shall administer the Program;

(ii) Shall report annually to the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals and, subject to § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the General Assembly regarding the operation of the Program; and

(iii) May adopt rules governing the implementation and operation of the Program including funding, training, selection, and supervision of volunteers.