

- (i) Determine the continuing necessity for and appropriateness of the commitment;
  - (ii) Determine the extent of compliance with the permanency plan;
  - (iii) Determine the extent of progress which has been made toward alleviating or mitigating the causes necessitating commitment; and
  - (iv) Project a reasonable date by which a child in placement may be returned home or placed for adoption or legal guardianship; and
- (2) The court shall conduct a review hearing no less frequently than every 6 months until commitment is rescinded.

(3) Every reasonable effort shall be made to effectuate a permanent placement for the child within 24 months from the date of initial placement.

(e) For a child whom the court determines shall be placed for adoption under subsection (c)(1)(iii) of this section:

- (1) The court shall order that the petition for termination of parental rights shall be filed within 30 days; and
- (2) The court shall schedule the termination of parental rights hearing in lieu of the next 6-month review hearing.

(f) For a child whom the court determines shall be placed in permanent foster care under subsection (c)(1)(v) of this section:

- (1) The court may order permanent foster care or kinship care with a specific caregiver who agrees to care for the child on a permanent basis; and
- (2) No review hearing need be held unless the court orders otherwise.

(g) For a child whom the court determines shall be placed in long-term foster care under subsection (c)(1)(v) of this section court reviews shall be conducted no less frequently than every 6 months.

(H) AT A REVIEW HEARING UNDER THIS SECTION, THE COURT SHALL CONSIDER ANY WRITTEN REPORT OF A LOCAL BOARD OF REVIEW OF FOSTER CARE REQUIRED UNDER § 5-545 OF THE FAMILY LAW ARTICLE.

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~~The goals of each local board are:~~

~~(1) as to minor children who [have resided] RESIDE in foster care OR KINSHIP CARE under the jurisdiction of the local department [for more than 6 months];~~

~~(i) [to review the cases every 6 months] to determine what efforts have been made to acquire permanent and stable placement for these children; and~~