

Measure	Status Signal	Change From Last Year	Baseline Performance (5 years ago)	Goal	Present Performance	Rx for Continued Improvement ^d	
Safety	Timely response immediate	😊	—	99.2%	≥90%	99.2% ^c	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff capacity building Expedited processing for maltreatment referrals and timely emergency response Update technology of iPhones
	Timely response 10-day	😊	—	94.8%	≥90%	94.9% ^c	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff capacity building Accurate & expedited data entry processes Regionalization Update technology of iPhones
	Monthly social worker visits with child	😊	—	73.1%	≥95%	97.1%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue required contacts, timely and accurate CWS/CMS data entry & monitoring
	Rate of maltreatment in foster care ^a	😊	+	9.53 per 100,000 days	≤9.07 per 100,000 days	7.37 per 100,000 days	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Foster Care assessment, monitoring and support SSW Visits Trauma Informed Care
	Recurrence of maltreatment	😊	—	6.5%	≤9.7%	6.8%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SDM CFT meeting Differential Response (Path 1 & 2) FRCs
Permanence	Permanency within 12 months: children entering care in a 12 month period	😊	+	33.7%	≥35.2%	42.1%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Building Family Connections Resource Family Approval (RFA) Permanency Roundtables
	Permanency within 12 months: children in care from 12 to 23 months	😊	—	46.4%	≥43.8%	51.2%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wraparound Family Finding Treatment Foster Care Oregon- Orange County
	Permanency within 12 months: children in care for 24 months or more	😊	—	33.5%	≥37.3%	41.8%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conditional Release and Intensive Supervision Program (CRISP) Family Service Workers (FSW)
	Re-entry within 12 months of discharge	😞	-	6.1%	≤5.6%	9.0%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CFT meeting Wraparound Safety Organized Practice (SOP) FRCs Differential Response (Path 1 & 2)
	Rate of placement moves per day in care among children entering care in a 12 month period ^a	😬	-	3.77 per 1,000 days	≤4.48 per 1,000 days	4.5 per 1,000 days	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Step Assessment Center Foster Parent Support Resource Family Approval (RFA) SCI CFT meeting for all key decision making Ice Breakers Quality Parenting Initiative (QPI) Trauma Informed Care
Well-Being	Children's predominant placement: Relative/NREFM	😊	—	60.5%	≥49.9% ^b	61.3%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Step "Parachute" case protocols RFA- Application Placement and Family Finding
	Children's (PIT) placed with some or all of their siblings	😊	—	71.9%	≥71.4% ^b	74.1%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focus on placing siblings together whenever possible First Step Assessment Center RFA- Application Family Finding
	Rate of timely health exams for children in placement	😬	—	70.1%	≥70.5% ^{b,c}	63.3% ^c	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Health/dental exam prior to 31st day in placement & thereafter based upon age/intervals specified by CHDP CWS/CMS Update on a flow basis
	Rate of timely dental exams for children in placement	😬	—	51.0%	≥66% ^{b,c}	53.0% ^c	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CWS/CMS Update on a flow basis
	Children in placement receiving psychotropic medication	N/A	N/A	8.1%	N/A	10.4%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Physician Rx followed by timely HCA MD consult, Court authorization, & CWS/CMS data entry on a flow basis Pathways to Mental Health Child & family team meetings

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Notes: ^aMaltreatment in foster care and placement are presented as rates, not percentages ^bState Avg ^cFor accuracy, data from prior quarter is reported (current data extract) ^dSelect Definitions on Reverse Side

CWS Outcomes - At A Glance (April 2026)

Acronym/Terminology	Definition
Baseline	Same time frame 5 years prior used as a starting point data for measures upon which progress towards improving outcomes for children are measured.
Building (creating) Family Connections	Services intended to support and develop beneficial, familial relationships and connections between foster youth and family members.
CFT-Child and Family Team	Meeting that brings together people who are interested in and care about the family (social workers, family members, and caregivers), to ensure the best possible decisions are made about the child's safety and/or placement, while preserving family and community connections.
Concurrent Planning Services	A case plan which involves a child's permanency alternatives in the event that reunification efforts fail.
CWS/CMS-Child Welfare System/Case Management System	A comprehensive statewide index and case management system for Child Welfare Services in California.
DR-Differential Response	A strategy used to determine a response to child abuse/neglect reports which best meets families needs. Three paths: Path 1-Community Only; Path 2- Community and Agency; Path 3-Agency Only.
ER-Emergency Response	Activities and services performed by a social worker to assess, investigate, and resolve a report of child maltreatment within a family.
First Step-First Step Assessment Center	At the time of entry to Orangewood, an assessment is initiated with relatives and non-relatives for possible placement within 23 hours.
FR-Family Reunification	Time limited program designed to provide services and support with the ultimate goal of bringing the family back together.
Expedited Family Reunification	Intensive services to reunify families quickly.
FRC-Family Resource Center	Support services to children and families delivered through community-based collaboratives operating Family Resource Centers.
Ice Breakers	Informal, child-focused meetings held within 10 calendar days after a child is placed in out of home care. This facilitates the sharing of information and team building between the child's parents and caregivers.
Legally Free	When a child's parents or guardians have relinquished their parental rights or have had them terminated in a court of law. Once this has occurred a child is then "legally free" to be adopted by another person or family member.
Mutual Client	To coordinate, integrate and enhance agency service delivery to clients with open or pending California Work Opportunity and Responsibility for Kids (CalWORKs) case and an open Children and Family Services (CFS) case or active referral.
Parachute Case Protocols	A "parachute" case refers to when law enforcement officers bring a child to protective custody without initial social services involvement. The protocol requests that select jurisdictions contact a social worker for a response to their jurisdiction; to help prevent this protective action and keep the child safe in their own community when possible.
RFA-Resource Family Approval	A single unified process for approving individuals and families for foster care, legal guardianship, and adoption.
Regionalization	Geographically locating facilities, staff and services near or within the neighborhoods of groups of clients or customers.
SSW-Senior Social Worker	SSWs identify and treat complex individual or family social problems in order to develop or restore social functioning.
SCI-Special Care Increment	Funding intended to augment the provision of basic support for children in placement based upon the special needs of the child.
SDM-Structured Decision Making	Research-based assessment tool used by social workers to help determine the safety, risk and service needs of children and families.
TPR-Termination of Parental Rights	Termination of parental rights means that all living parents who may have a potential legal claim to the child have been terminated and they no longer have any rights or responsibilities to that child. In dependency cases, this usually means an involuntary relinquishment based upon certain conditions and guided by mandated timelines.
Wrap-Wraparound	Program that provides unique, individualized services for eligible children through a collaboration between the Health Care Agency, Probation, and the Social Services Agency.

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