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**ORANGE COUNTY SOCIAL SERVICES AGENCY  
CFS OPERATIONS MANUAL**

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## **Maintaining Connections with Important Persons**

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<b>Purpose</b>	To provide guidelines for establishing and maintaining permanent connections between a foster youth and the youth's Important Persons.
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<b>Background</b>	<p>Continuing supportive relationships and meaningful lifelong connections with caring adults are critical to: supporting foster youth through periods of crisis, ensuring enhanced service provision, and better outcomes for youth exiting the child welfare system. Consequently, legislation was enacted in 2003 (Assembly Bill [AB] 408) and 2005 (AB 1412) to ensure no child leave foster care without a lifelong connection to a committed adult.</p>
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Since 2005, Children and Family Services (CFS) has partnered with foster youth, caregivers, and community partners, to develop strategies towards:

- Preserving a foster youth's familial relationships and other important connections
- Increasing a foster youth's support-network
- Expanding the perception of "permanency" for foster youth, to include stable permanent lifelong connections

This P&P addresses **Family Finding Efforts** adopted by CFS to establish and sustain permanent connections between a foster youth and the youth's Important Persons. These efforts include, but are not limited to:

- Identifying foster youth's important relationships
  - Locating (potential) Important Persons
  - Facilitating engagement of these individuals to establish or re-establish important connections for the youth
  - Encouraging maintenance of these relationships to foster permanent connections for foster youth
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**Legal Mandates** [Welfare and Institutions Code \(WIC\) section \(§\) 309](#) provides upon a youth's removal from a parent/guardian, the social worker inquire as to relatives important to the youth.

[Welfare and Institutions Code § 362.05](#) provides that no state or local policy create barriers to a foster youth's participation in age-appropriate extracurricular, enrichment and social activities.

[Welfare and Institutions Code §§ 366, 366.21\(g\), 366.22\(a\), and WIC 366.3\(e\)](#) require Court to determine at Status Review hearings, for select foster youth, the progress towards identification of Important Persons and efforts made/actions necessary to maintain the youth's relationships with those individuals.

[Welfare and Institutions Code §§ 366.1\(g\), 366.3\(e and g\) and 16501.1\(i\)](#) require the social worker to ask select foster youth to identify Important Persons and provides that other foster youth may be asked to provide this information, when appropriate.

[Welfare and Institutions Code §§ 366.1, 366.21\(c\) and 366.3\(e and g\)](#) provide that the court report prepared for each Status Review hearing, regarding select foster youth, address the status of identification of Important Persons and efforts to establish/maintain the youth's relationships with those individuals.

[Welfare and Institutions Code §§ 366.21\(g–h\) and 366.22\(a\)](#) authorize Court to make appropriate orders to ensure select foster youth to maintain relationships with Important Persons, when Long-Term Foster Care (LTFC) is ordered and/or a WIC § 366.26 hearing is calendared.

[Welfare and Institutions Code § 366.26\(c\)\(3–4\)](#) requires foster youth receiving Permanent Placement (PP) services be asked to identify Important Persons in an effort to identify a prospective adoptive parent/legal guardian.

[Welfare and Institutions Code § 391](#) requires transitioning youth be provided information to assist in maintaining relationships with Important Persons.

[Welfare and Institutions Code § 10609.4\(b\)](#) provides the Transitional Independent Living Plan (TILP) prepared for select foster youth include information provided by those individuals identified as important to the youth.

[Welfare and Institutions Code § 16500.1](#) provides that a primary goal of child protection is to ensure no child leave foster care without a life-long connection to a committed adult.

[Welfare and Institutions Code § 16501.1\(f\)\(16\)](#) provides the Case Plan for a transitioning youth, age 16 and older, be developed with input from the youth's Important Persons, and include steps to ensure the youth has a connection to a caring adult.

[Welfare and Institutions Code § 16501.1\(i\)](#) provides the Case Plan for select foster youth identify Important Persons and actions necessary to maintain the youth's relationships with those individuals.

Memorandum of Understanding Between the County of Orange Social Services Agency and Canyon Acres Children and Family Services for the Provision of Creating Family Connections Services (dated February 24, 2010) permits Canyon Acres to inspection/review of CFS case files to aid in Family Finding Efforts.

Miscellaneous Order 520.4 (Authorization for Exchange of information Concerning Juvenile Court Wards and Dependents Among Public and Private Agencies Providing Services) authorizes exchange of client record information among private/public agencies providing case planning, eligibility, and/or service delivery to Social Services Agency.

Miscellaneous Order 534.3 (Authorization for the Sharing of Information Through Orange County Multidisciplinary Service Teams) authorizes the sharing of relevant information among members of multidisciplinary services teams.

Miscellaneous Order 541.1 (Family Connections Protocol and Agreement) authorizes Court-Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Family Connections volunteers to inspect/review CFS case files to aid in Family Finding Efforts.

Miscellaneous Order 749.3 (Authorization for the Consortium for Children to Receive Information from the Orange County Social Services Agency for Purposes of Permanency Planning Mediation and Creating Family Connections) authorizes release of relevant client record information to the Consortium for Children for the purposes of creating family connections.

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## Definitions

**Family Finding Efforts:** Permanency strategies designed to promote, establish, and strengthen a foster youth's connections with family members and other supportive adults who can provide relational permanency.

**Important Person:** An adult (in addition to any adult sibling) who:

- The foster youth considers significant/important
- Has maintained a continuing, interested, beneficial, and committed relationship with the youth prior to and/or during the youth's dependency proceedings
- Is willing to provide a permanent, supportive, caring, lifelong connection (relationship) with the youth

**–And–**

- Whose relationship with the youth is in the youth's best interest

Important Persons may include, but are not limited to a: known or newly discovered relative, non-relative extended family member (NREFM), neighbor/family friend, former caregiver of the youth, or any other adult individual with an established familial or mentoring relationship with the youth (e.g., coach, teacher, Big Brother/Big Sister, camp counselor, clergy member, etc.).

**Out-of-Home Caregiver:** Includes any of the following:

- Licensed or certified foster parent
- Relative or NREFM approved by the Social Services Agency (SSA) to act as a foster parent
- Staff member designated by a group home director to approve a youth's participation in extracurricular, enrichment, and social activities

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## POLICY

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### General Guidelines

All CFS staff involved with foster youth entering the child welfare system are responsible for:

- Exploring opportunities to engage in Family Finding Efforts throughout dependency proceedings
- Initiating Family Finding Efforts at the earliest possible time

**Note:** Unless otherwise specified, the guidelines detailed in this policy are applicable to Emergency Response (ER), Investigations and Continuing program staff.

The degree and ongoing necessity of Family Finding Efforts will vary on a case-by-case basis, with consideration to the youth's:

- Best interest
- Permanency needs
- Desires for connection with Important Persons

CFS staff will make reasonable efforts to ensure each child has an established connection with Important Persons.

### Eligibility for Family Finding Efforts

Pursuant to state law, *reasonable* Family Finding Efforts **will** be made for every dependent foster youth age 10 years and older, provided at least one of the following apply:

- The youth has remained in out-of-home care for six months or longer and currently receives:
  - Family Reunification (FR) services
  - Permanent Placement (PP) services and no prospective adoptive parent/legal guardian has been identified
- The youth is in Long-Term Foster Care (LTFC)

Pursuant to best practice, Family Finding Efforts **will also** be made for other dependent foster youth (regardless of age), as necessary and appropriate (e.g., prognosis for reunification is low, youth lacks connection to family, etc.).

**Planning/  
Collaboration**

Pursuant to best practice, Family Finding Efforts require ongoing planning/collaboration among the social worker and the foster youth. Additionally, other parties/agencies may be involved in Family Finding Efforts.

See [Attachment 1—Coordinated Family Finding Efforts](#) for guidelines to collaborate with other parties/agencies involved in Family Finding Efforts, including:

- Coordination of Family Finding Efforts
- Referrals for Family Finding Agency involvement

**Identification of  
Important  
Persons**

Identification involves obtaining all available contact information regarding Important Persons, with whom permanent connections may be explored and/or established. This process begins at the time a youth, regardless of age or circumstance, is removed from home and placed into protective custody.

**Note:** Ensure identifying/contact information is input into the CWS/CMS **Collateral** notebook, as the information is obtained. See Policy section “Documentation of Family Finding Efforts.”

A. The **ER social worker** will:

1. Indicate adults identified as permanent lifelong connection resources for the youth on the “Permanency Options” section of the *Application for Petition (F063-28-43)*.
2. In the Investigation Narrative, under the *Non-Relative Extended Family Members (NREFMs)* heading, list and identify any NREFMs who may wish to be a part of the youth’s life.

**Note:** The Imminent Risk/Emergency Removal TDM meeting may identify Important Persons able to support the youth. See Policy section “Types of TDM Meetings” in CFS P&P [Team Decision Making \(TDM\) \(D-0308\)](#).

B. The **Investigations** and/or **Continuing social worker** will:

1. In an age-appropriate manner, ask each youth for whom Family Finding Efforts are made, to identify:

- Known relatives and family connections
- Adults (in addition to any adult sibling) who are significant/important to the youth
- Level of interest in (re)connecting with Important Persons

**Note:** This inquiry must be completed with any youth age 10 years and older, placed in out-of-home care for six months or longer, unless a prospective adoptive parent/legal guardian has been identified.

Refer to [Attachment 2—Youth Interview Regarding Important Persons](#) for suggested questions to engage the youth in identification of Important Persons.

2. At any Placement Preservation/Change of Placement and/or Permanency Planning TDM meeting convened, inquire as to Important Persons who may be able to support the youth. See CFS P&P [Team Decision Making \(TDM\) \(D-0308\)](#).

**Note:** If a change in placement is necessary, placement priority will be given to preferential relatives, other relatives to the 5<sup>th</sup> degree, and NREFMs. Additionally, relative placement options previously evaluated for potential placement will be re-considered, provided parental rights have not been terminated.

3. Review the *Relative Information List (F063-25-628)* to identify relatives who may be important family connections. CFS P&P [Jurisdictional/Dispositional Hearing Report \(G-0310\)](#).
4. In the event no Important Persons are identified:
  - Refer to [Attachment 3—Identification and Search for Important Persons](#) for strategies which may be utilized to identify Important Persons
  - Determine whether efforts to locate a mentor or advocate for the youth may be beneficial
  - Inquire about the availability of Family Finding Agencies to assist in Family Finding Efforts on behalf of the youth (refer to [Attachment 1—Coordinated Family Finding Efforts](#))

**Locating Important Persons**

As Important Persons are identified, the **Investigations** and/or **Continuing social worker** will make efforts, as soon as possible, to locate/search for individuals whose whereabouts are unknown.

Refer to [Attachment 3—Identification and Search for Important Persons](#) for search strategies which may be utilized.

**Establishing Connections with Important Persons**

As Important Persons are located, best practice principles and timely decisions will guide the **Investigations** and/or **Continuing social worker** in engagement, assessment, and (re)introduction of these individuals with the foster youth.

A. **Engagement:**

The following are guidelines for engagement of Important Persons:

1. Consider all available information to determine those Important Persons most appropriate to contact. This may include, but is not limited to:
  - Relationship to the youth
  - Youth's interest in connection
  - Prior demonstration of healthy/beneficial relationship with the youth or other children
2. Initial engagement may be completed either by telephone, letter, and/or in-person interview.
3. During initial engagement and contact:
  - a. Explain purpose of contact and potential benefits to increasing the youth's sense of permanency.
  - b. Assess current circumstances and gauge interest in contact with the youth.
  - c. Obtain information regarding known family and/or others who may be interested in contacting the youth or with whom the youth would benefit from establishing a connection.

**Note:** Do not disclose confidential case-specific information. See Policy section entitled "Confidentiality Guidelines" for further information.

B. **Assessment (Evaluation):**

An assessment of Important Persons will be completed prior to facilitating (re)introduction with the youth.

The **Investigations** and/or **Continuing social worker** will assess the following when determining whether (re)introduction would be in the youth's best interest, and/or pose any identifiable safety risk:

1. Prior involvement with the youth, including duration/nature of the relationship.

**Note:** Refer to CFS P&P [Relative/NREFM Placement Assessments \(K-0105\)](#), for guidelines regarding verification of a NREFM relationship.

2. Desired level of involvement with youth and willingness to provide a permanent connection for the youth.

**Note:** If unsupervised home visits are being considered, assess home to determine if physical dwelling and/or household composition pose a risk to the safety of the youth.

3. Level of cooperation with established Case Plan Goal (i.e., would contact disrupt youth's current plan for reunification/permanency?).
4. Background clearance information obtained from each of the following:
  - Interviews with the Important Person and others who may have relevant information
  - [California Megan's Law Sex Offender Locator Database](#) (or equivalent in other State)
  - County Superior Court Criminal and Traffic Case system in which the individual resides (e.g., [Orange County Superior Court of California Criminal and Traffic Cases](#))
  - CWS/CMS screening for child abuse/neglect history (obtain and document consent from individual prior to screening)

Due to a lack of statutory authority, live scan fingerprinting will not be requested unless the individual

is being considered for placement purposes. See CFS P&P [Clearances—Relative Assessment \(K-0101\)](#) to obtain and evaluate criminal and child abuse history information as part of a relative/NREFM placement assessment.

**Note:** When appropriate, consider re-evaluation of Important Persons previously ruled out for contact with the youth, to assess for changes in circumstance (e.g., rehabilitative success, level of cooperation, etc.) which may impact the suitability of facilitating a connection with the youth.

C. **(Re)Introduction:**

When appropriate, initial contact/visitation will be arranged by the **Investigations** and/or **Continuing social worker** in a timely manner following:

1. Consult with the assigned supervisor regarding the assessment of the Important Person.
2. Discussion with the youth and Important Person, regarding:
  - Reasonable expectations for (re)introduction
  - Parameters for initial contact/visitation
3. Establishment of parameters for initial contact, including but not limited to:
  - Nature of contact (in-person/phone/letter)
  - Locating a suitable environment to facilitate contact
  - Involvement of others (e.g., family, child advocate, etc.)
4. Coordination of resources and/or travel arrangements necessary to facilitate (re)introduction.

**Note:** Successful (re)introduction to establish important connections may require coordination of multiple visits.

**Maintaining  
Connections  
with Important  
Persons**

Following successful (re)introduction of a foster youth with his/her Important Person, the **Investigations** and/or **Continuing social worker** will inquire from the youth, as to the youth's desires to pursue an ongoing relationship with the individual.

Provided ongoing contact is appropriate and in the best interest of youth, the social worker will:

- A. Inform the youth and Important Person of any parameters for ongoing contact/visitation, including any restrictions or limitations.

See CFS P&P [Visitation Guidelines \(D-0313\)](#) to determine appropriate visitation arrangements.

**Note:** Unless prohibited by court order, foster youth may make/receive confidential phone calls from individuals significant to them. See CFS P&P [Telephone Rights \(D-0411\)](#).

- B. Keep parents (provided parental rights have not been terminated) and the out-of-home caregiver informed of:

- The youth's connection with the Important Person
- The level of involvement permitted (i.e., parameters for contact/visitation and any restrictions or limitations)

**Note:** If parent is not supportive of youth's relationship with Important Person, consult assigned supervisor.

- C. As necessary, coordinate visits and provision of any services/resources necessary to develop and/or sustain a youth's relationship with his/her Important Person.
- D. On an ongoing basis, assess the continuing appropriateness of the relationship to ensure:
- Continued safety of the youth
  - Compliance with contact/visitation parameters
  - Youth and Important Person remain committed to relationship
  - Relationship remains in the best interest of the youth

This may require obtaining feedback from the youth, Important Person, and other parties/agencies involved in Family Finding Efforts.

- E. As permanent connections are established, complete a *Permanency Agreement Certificate (F063-25-658)*, if appropriate, for provision to youth and his/her Important Person.

**Role of Mental Health Services**

The **Investigations** and/or **Continuing social worker** will, on a regular and ongoing basis, consider the degree of therapeutic oversight beneficial to supporting the foster youth and promoting the establishment of permanent healthy relationships.

The social worker will collaborate with any mental health service provider involved in Family Finding Efforts to assist the youth in:

- Processing feelings/reactions towards out-of-home care
- Development of interpersonal relationship building skills
- Processing expectations/experiences regarding newfound relationships

**Note:** Consult youth's mental health service provider (if any) regarding appropriateness of disclosing emotional/behavioral needs of the youth with Important Persons, to facilitate and/or maintain the youth's important connections.

For further guidelines regarding collaboration in Family Finding Efforts, refer to [Attachment 1—Coordinated Family Finding Efforts](#).

**Confidentiality Guidelines**

Pursuant to Miscellaneous Orders of the Juvenile Court, parties/agencies involved in Family Finding Efforts are authorized access to CFS client records to aid in coordination/implementation of Family Finding Efforts.

**Note:** Review of CFS records (i.e., Service Folder, Legal File), by Family Finding Agencies, must be completed in CFS offices.

In addition, the social worker will adhere to the following confidentiality guidelines:

- A. Disclose to Important Persons, only youth-specific information necessary to establish and/or maintain the youth's connection with the individual.
- B. Advise all parties/agencies/Important Persons involved in Family Finding Efforts of their responsibility to protect the confidentiality of any client record information released.

For further confidentiality guidelines, refer to CFS P&P [Confidentiality—CFS Client Records \(F-0105\)](#).

**Documentation**

A. **CWS/CMS Documentation:**

The **ER**, **Investigations**, and **Continuing social worker** will complete and/or update, outside the CWS/CMS database, the *Family Finding Efforts Case Summary (F063-25-656)*, as:

- Family Finding Efforts are completed
- Important Persons are identified
- The status of a youth's connections with his/her Important Persons changes

**Note:** Document significant information related to Family Finding Efforts (e.g., interviews, assessments) in the narrative section of the CWS/CMS Contact page. See CFS P&P [Case Compliance Contacts and Documentation \(E-0105\)](#).

The social worker will forward the *Family Finding Efforts Case Summary (F063-25-656)* to the assigned Information Processing Technician (IPT), responsible for:

1. Entering information documented on the *Family Finding Efforts Case Summary (F063-25-656)* provided by the social worker, into the *Family Finding Efforts Case Summary (F063-25-656)* maintained within CWS/CMS.
2. Entering and/or updating identifying/contact information regarding Important Persons into the CWS/CMS **Collateral** notebook.
3. Updating the status of a youth's connections with his/her Important Persons in CWS/CMS, per [CWS/CMS Data Entry Standards—Documenting Family Finding Efforts](#).

B. **Family Finding Efforts Log:**

The **Investigations** and/or **Continuing social worker** will generate a Family Finding Efforts Log, pursuant to [CWS/CMS Data Entry Standards—Documenting Family Finding Efforts](#):

- As Important Persons are identified
- As important connections are established
- Prior to case transfer/closure

C. **Case Filing:**

In accordance with CFS P&P [Case Filing \(E-0102\)](#), case record information regarding Family Finding Efforts, not already entered into CWS/CMS, will be filed in the appropriate Service Folder Acco:

- Case Service/Activity Acco
- Clearances Acco

D. **Court Reports**

For foster youth (age 10 years and older) in out-of-home care for six months or longer, not already placed with a prospective adoptive parent/legal guardian, efforts to identify, establish and maintain the youth's relationships with his/her Important Persons, must be documented for Court as follows:

- At the **Jurisdictional/Dispositional (JD) hearing**, in the *Concurrent Planning* section of the JD Report (see CFS P&P [Jurisdictional/ Dispositional Hearing \[G-0310\]](#))
- At **FR Status Review hearings**, in the *Concurrent Planning* section of the Status Review Report (see CFS P&P [Family Reunification Status Review Reports \[G-0317\]](#))
- At the **WIC § 366.26 hearing**, in the *Prospective Adoptive Parent/Legal Guardian* section of the WIC § 366.26 Report (see CFS P&P [WIC 366.26 Report \[G-0312\]](#))
- At **Periodic Review hearings**, in the *Compliance with Permanent Plan* section of the Periodic Review Report (see CFS P&P [Periodic Review Report \[G-0311\]](#))

**Note:** Include any recommendations necessary to maintain the youth's relationships with his/her Important Persons.

E. **Case Plan:**

For foster youth (age 10 years and older) in out-of-home care for six months or longer, the Case Plan (or Case Plan Update) must include:

- Identification of the youth's Important Persons
- Actions necessary to establish and maintain the youth's relationships with his/her Important Persons

**Note:** To document this information in the Case Plan, use autotext code **CMS1A** and insert populating text under the **Arrange and Maintain Placement – Case Management Services** type.

See Policy section “Transitioning Youth” for further guidelines regarding development of a Case Plan.

**Involvement of Important Persons**

For foster youth with an established connection to at least one Important Person, involvement of the Important Person in the youth’s dependency case will vary based upon the needs of the youth and case-specific circumstances.

See [Attachment 4—Involvement of Important Persons](#) for guidelines regarding possible involvement in:

- Providing placement for the youth
- Providing legal permanence for the youth
- Serving as the youth’s Educational Representative
- Participation in youth-centered meetings

**Transitioning Youth**

Prior to emancipation, the **Investigations** and/or **Continuing social worker** will make efforts to ensure a transitioning youth, regardless of participation in Independent Living Program (ILP) services, has an established permanent connection with Important Persons.

**Note:** The *ILP Services—Assessment C (F063-25-616)* will indicate whether a transitioning youth has established any permanent connections with Important Persons.

For transitioning youth with an established connection to an Important Person, all of the following will apply, with regards to the Important Person’s involvement/participation in:

A. **Case Plan Development:**

Whenever possible during development of a Case Plan (or Case Plan Update) for a foster youth 16 years of age or older, the social worker will:

- Seek input from the youth’s Important Person, as it relates to the youth’s service needs
- Include in the Case Plan, steps to ensure the youth has a connection to Important Persons, as detailed in the Policy section entitled “Documentation of Family Finding Efforts”

For further guidelines regarding case plan development refer to CFS P&P [Case Plan Development/Elements \(D-0101\)](#).

- B. **Transitional Independent Living Plan (TILP) Development:**  
Whenever possible, CFS staff preparing/updating the youth's TILP will seek input from the youth's Important Person, as it relates to the youth's emancipation needs.

For further guidelines regarding development of the TILP, refer to CFS P&P [ILP Services \(D-0504\)](#).

- C. **Transitional Planning Conferences (TPCs):**  
In accordance with CFS P&P [ILP Services \(D-0504\)](#), a youth's Important Person may attend a TPC convened on behalf of the youth. Additionally, any Important Person participating in a TPC will be provided a copy of the Transitional Planning Conference (TPC) Summary.

- D. **Development of the 90-Day Transition Plan:**  
Whenever possible the social worker will encourage the youth to include his/her Important Person in the 90-Day Transition Plan TPC.

The 90-Day Transition Plan that is developed will include a plan for the youth to maintain permanent connections with family and any other Important Person.

For further information regarding the 90-Day Transition Plan, refer to CFS P&P [ILP Services \(D-0504\)](#).

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## REFERENCES

### Attachments and CWS/CMS Data Entry Standards

Hyperlinks are provided below to access attachments to this P&P and any CWS/CMS Data Entry Standards that are referenced.

- [Attachment 1—Coordinated Family Finding Efforts](#)
- [Attachment 2—Youth Interview Regarding Important Persons](#)
- [Attachment 3—Identification and Search for Important Persons](#)
- [Attachment 4—Involvement of Important Persons](#)
- [CWS/CMS Data Entry Standards—Documenting Family Finding Efforts](#)

## Hyperlinks

Users accessing this document by computer may create a direct connection to the following references by clicking on them.

- CFS P&P [Abuse Investigations—Protective Intervention \(A-0414\)](#)
- CFS P&P [Case Compliance Contacts and Documentation \(E-0105\)](#)
- CFS P&P [Case Filing \(E-0102\)](#)
- CFS P&P [Case Plan Development/Elements \(D-0101\)](#)
- CFS P&P [Clearances—Relative Assessment \(K-0101\)](#)
- CFS P&P [Confidentiality—CFS Client Records \(F-0105\)](#)
- CFS P&P [Concurrent Planning \(D-0202\)](#)
- CFS P&P [Dependency Intake \(A-0502\)](#)
- CFS P&P [Family Reunification Status Review Reports \(G-0317\)](#)
- CFS P&P [Jurisdictional/Dispositional Hearing \(G-0310\)](#)
- CFS P&P [ILP Services \(D-0504\)](#)
- CFS P&P [Periodic Review Report \(G-0311\)](#)
- CFS P&P [Relative/NREFM Placement Assessments \(K-0105\)](#)
- CFS P&P [Team Decision Making \(TDM\) \(D-0308\)](#)
- CFS P&P [Telephone Rights \(D-0411\)](#)
- CFS P&P [Visitation Guidelines \(D-0313\)](#)
- CFS P&P [WIC 366.26 Report \(G-0312\)](#)
- [Seneca Center—National Institute for Permanent Family Connectedness](#)

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## Other Sources

Other printed references include the following:

- Family Connections Protocol and Agreement Between Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) and Social Services (June 2006)

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## REQUIRED FORMS

### Online Forms

Required forms listed below may be printed out and completed, or completed online, and may be accessed by clicking on the link provided.

Form Name	Form Number
<a href="#">Family Finding Engagement Letter</a>	F063-25-657
<a href="#">ILP Services—Assessment C</a>	F063-25-616
<a href="#">Permanency Agreement Certificate</a>	F063-25-658
<a href="#">Relative Information List</a>	F063-25-628
<a href="#">Relative Notification Letter</a>	F063-25-627

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**Hard Copy  
Forms**

Forms listed below must be completed in hard copy (including multi-copy NCR forms). ***For reference purposes only***, links are provided to view these hard copy forms, where available.

<b>Form Name</b>	<b>Form Number</b>
<a href="#">Application for Petition (Dependent Child)</a>	F063-28-43
<a href="#">Team Decision Making Meeting Summary</a>	F063-25-447

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**CWS/CMS  
Forms**

The following required forms may **only** be obtained in CWS/CMS. ***For reference purposes only***, links are provided to view these CWS/CMS forms, where available.

<b>Form Name</b>	<b>Form Number</b>
<a href="#">Family Finding Efforts Case Summary</a>	F063-25-656
Investigative Narrative	IN-INVDOC

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**Brochures**

Brochures to distribute in conjunction with this procedure include:

<b>Brochure Name</b>	<b>Brochure Number</b>
None.	

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