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What's working: Perspectives from the State and County Level

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TOPICS

- **What is CSB doing?**
- **Who is CSB's audience?**
- **What is CSB saying?**
- **How are things working out?**



What Is CSB Doing?



- **Education and Information**
- **Relationship Building**
- **Resource Sharing**

Who is CSB's Audience?



- **Chief Legal Counsels for DCS Child Welfare**
- **Supervising Attorneys for DCS Child Welfare**
- **Staff Attorneys for DCS Child Welfare**
- **DCS Child Welfare Staff**



What is the Message?

Intersection of Child Welfare and Child Support

- CSB as State Agency for Child Support
- State and County responsibilities
- Terminology Differences
- Children and Families We Serve



Statutory and Regulatory Scheme

- State Statutes and Federal Regulations
- DCS Policies, Administrative Letters and other DCS guidance
 - Paternity Establishment
 - Genetic Testing
 - Support Order Establishment
- Termination of CHINS case



Resources

- CSB Legal
- CSB FC's
- ISETS Web Tool
- County Prosecutors Offices

Objectives

Learn what one county is doing to facilitate a relationship with the local DCS office.

Success Story: Porter County

After several years of trial and error, Porter County IVD Office (IVD) and the Porter County DCS Child Welfare Office (DCS) have created and maintained an excellent working relationship to handle cases in common.

Success Story: Porter County



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Success Story: Porter County

Once a child is removed from the home, DCS completes a special application (created by IVD office with only necessary information) and submits the application to the IVD Office.

IVD then determines what steps need to be taken and advises DCS.

IVD does try to “push” the cases through quicker (sets DNA at next available date, does not verify address before filing case and sending pleadings)

Success Story: Porter County

Child placed with unlicensed provider (relative) (no IVE funds):

1. DCS applies for services.

2. IVD builds CHNS case in ISETS with DCS.

3. IVD contacts relative.

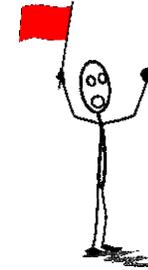
a. If relative wants services and completes app, IVD sets support from parents to relative and changes payee in ISETS to the relative.

b. If relative does not want services IVD proceeds with establishment if necessary and sets a \$0 support order.

Success Story: Porter County

Child placed with licensed provider (usually IVE funds):

- 1. DCS applies for services.**
- 2. FC is automatically built in ISETS.**
- 3. IVD sets supports from parents to DCS.**



Success Story: Porter County

Original support order out of another jurisdiction:

Support can be redirected under JC cause and notice given to other jurisdiction.



UIFSA

Some counties will file a modification if contacted (we do).

Success Story: Porter County

Things to keep in mind:

change of placement

dismissals

circumstances of parties when setting support amount

reimbursement

funding changes

Success Story: Porter County

Things to keep in mind:

IVD calendars all cases as a double check

Good communication

Success Story: Porter County

Why it Works:

Open communication between offices and mutual goals.

County officials give leeway for IVD and DCS to determine who is in the best position to do the job.

Same Court Management system.

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