

PA will safely reduce foster care by 15% by 2010

Problem/Driver	Outcome Measures	Interim Measures to Assess Progress	Strategies	Timeline
1. High number of children entering care because of parental drug and alcohol abuse. Attached to outcome measure: A, B, C, D	A. Increase children returning home by 10%. Attached to strategies: i, ii, iii, iv, v, vi, vii, viii, ix	Year 1 10% Year 2 10%	i. Identify parental drug and alcohol issues at intake, improve access to treatment, and identify supports.	Implemented and ongoing
2. Economic situations of children and families. Attached to outcome measure: A, B	B. Increase number of children and families receiving home based and community based services Attached to strategies: i, ii, iii, iv, v, vi, vii, viii	Increase usage: Year 1 15% Year 2 15%	ii. Utilize community based resources to assist families in meeting needs for basic necessities.	Implemented and ongoing
3. Length of time to achieve permanency. Attached to outcome measure: A, B, C, D	C. Permanency to be finalized within 12 months Attached to strategies: iii, iv, vi, viii	Issue adoption decrees by 12 months for 10%	iii. Internal placement review and reunification efforts.	Implemented and ongoing
4. High number of children remaining in care past 12 months. Attached to outcome measure: A, B, C, D	D. Achieve permanency of children entering foster care within 12 months. Attached to strategies: iii, iv, vi, viii	Increase usage of TLFR, FGDM, FFT and home based services by 10%	iv. Evaluate placement goals to determine if goal is still reasonable.	Implemented and ongoing
	E.		v. Review provider outcomes on a regular basis & identify gaps in service.	Implemented and ongoing
	F.		vi. Court improvement collaboration.	Implemented and ongoing
	G.		vii. Workforce development plan to ensure the recruitment and retention of a skilled labor force.	Implemented and ongoing
			viii. Permanency	Implemented and ongoing
			ix. Improve visitation	Implemented and ongoing
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