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Problem/Driver	Outcome Measures	Interim Measures to Assess Progress	Strategies	Timeline
<p>1. High number of youth entering placement (ages 13-17) because of child behavioral problems.</p> <p><b>Outcome Measure: A C D E F G</b></p>	<p>A. Increase the number of children and families receiving home and community based services by 20% in 3 years.</p> <p><b>Attached to Strategies: i, ii, iii, iv, v, vi, vii, viii, ix, x, xi, xii</b></p>	<p>Year 1 establish baseline, Year 2 increase by 10%, Year 3 increase by 10%</p>	<p>i. Increase youth and family centered practices to promote strengths-based service planning and delivery.</p>	<p>Long term - Start date 10/07 end date ongoing Outcome measure to be achieved by 2011</p>
<p>2. High number of young children entering placement due to parental D/A or MH treatment needs: <b>Outcome Measure: A B G</b></p>	<p>B. Reduce placements of preschool age children by 10% in 3 years. <b>Attached to Strategies: i, ii, iii, iv, v, ix, x, xi, xii, xiii.</b></p>	<p>Year 1 establish baseline Year 2 decrease by 5%, Year 3 decrease to 5%</p>	<p>ii. Expand community partnerships which will assist families in meeting concrete needs for housing, employment, healthcare, training, etc to reduce risk of child dependency.</p>	<p>Long term - Start date 1/1/09 end date ongoing Outcome measure to be achieved by 2011</p>
<p>3. Adolescent youth reenter care at a higher rate than desired due to child behavior or parental inability to cope <b>Outcome Measure: A C D E F G</b></p>	<p>C. Decrease adolescent placements by 15% in 3 years. <b>Attached to Strategies: i, ii, iii, iv, v, vi, vii, viii, ix, x, xi, xii</b></p>	<p>Year 1 establish baseline, Year 2 decrease by 10%, Year 3 decrease to 15%</p>	<p>iii. Identification and implementation of common screening and assessment tools for children and families.</p>	<p>Short term - Start date 1/1/08 end date 7/1/09 (beginning of Ages and Stages and ongoing funding for counties screening and assessment projects will extend beyond this) Outcome measure to be achieved by 2011</p>
<p>4. Achievement of permanency for children is not achieved within the timeframe outlined under AFSA. <b>Outcome Measure: A B C D E F G</b></p>	<p>D. Reduce reentry rates for older youth by 20% in 3 years. <b>Attached to Strategies: i, ii, iii, iv, v, vi, vii, viii, ix, x, xi, xii</b></p>	<p>Year 1 decrease by 5%, Year 2 decrease by 10%, Year 3 decrease by 20%</p>	<p>iv. Expansion of available service array to include evidence-based programs and promising programs.</p>	<p>Short Term - Start date 1/1/08 end date 6/30/10; end date ongoing (already begun but the bulk to be accomplished during FY 08/09) Outcome measure to be achieved by 2011</p>

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<p>5. Older youth frequently age out of the system as opposed to achieving permanency. <b>Outcome Measure: C D E F G</b></p>	<p>E. Implement development of multi-system, shared case plans and service delivery for older youth in placement who are also involve in the JJ. MH, DD or D/A systems. <b>Attach to strategies: i, ii, iii, iv, v, vi, vii, viii, ix, x, xi, xii</b></p>	<p>Year 1 establish baseline, Year 2 decrease by 10%, Year 3 decrease by 20%</p>	<p>v. Facilitate timely access for children and families to appropriate services which will meet identified needs, in appropriate settings to facilitate participation and success services.</p>	<p>Long term - Start date 9/1/08 end date ongoing Outcome measure to be achieved by 2011</p>

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6. Children experience multiple placement settings (more than 2) on a frequent basis. <b>Outcome Measure: A B C D E F</b>	F. Reduce by 25% in 3 years the number of children who experience multiple placements (more than 3) while awaiting permanency. <b>Attached to Strategies: i, ii, iii, iv, v, vi, vii, viii, ix, x, xi, xii</b>	Year 1 establish baseline, Year 2 - 10% fewer will have 3 placements or more; Year 3 - 25% fewer will have 3 placements or more	vi. Provide training and information to professionals to accomplish early identification of children and families at risk of CAN for prevention or diversion-focused assistance at the community level.	Long Term - Start date 1/1/08 end date ongoing
	G. Increase use of relative kinship foster care by 20% in 3 years. <b>Attached to Strategies: i, ii, iii, iv, v, viii, ix, x, xi, xii</b>	Year 1 increase by 10%, Year 2 increase by 10%, Year 3 increase by 10%	vii. Collaborate with categorical human services to improve services available to develop appropriate and accessible transitional age youth known to the child welfare and juvenile justice systems	Long Term - Start date 1/1/09 end date ongoing Outcome measure to be achieved by 2011
			viii. Placement of children in close proximity to home and preservation of connections to their home community.	Long Term - Start date 1/1/09 end date ongoing Outcome measure to be achieved by 2011
			ix. Improve county capacity to provide family-centered placement and supportive services including Family To Family and kinship foster care.	Long Term - 1/1/09 (already started with planned expansion to be ongoing Outcome measure to be achieved by 2011
			x. Increase community supports and programs by implementing an ideal service array.	Long term - Start date 9/1/08 end date ongoing Outcome measure to be achieved by 2011
			xi. Implement concurrent comprehensive planning efforts at family and system level.	Long term - Start date 9/1/08 end date ongoing Outcome measure to be achieved by 2011

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			xii. Court Improvement Project.	Long term - Formal plan to be accomplished in 2009, but practice expansion will continue long-term Outcome measure to be achieved by 2011