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PROTECTION AND PERMANENCY INFORMATION MEMORANDUM 22-13

TO: Service Region Administrators

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FROM: Tracy DeSimone, Assistant Director

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DATE: November 30, 2022

SUBJECT: Completion of Round 3 of the Child and Family Services Review (CFSR) and Program Improvement Plan (PIP).

The purpose of this information memorandum is to inform staff that Kentucky has completed the non-overlapping data monitoring period of the Round 3 Child and Family Services Review (CFSR) program improvement plan (PIP). The non-overlapping data monitoring period is the final step of the CFSR.

Kentucky participated in a traditional CFSR the week of July 25, 2016 and began implementation of the PIP on April 1, 2019. Kentucky's PIP included data monitoring for 10 of the 18 CFSR items focusing on safety, permanency, and well-being. More information on Round 3 of the CFSR, including detailed information for each item, can be found here.

Kentucky successfully met the established goals for seven of the 10 items (1, 3, 4, 12, 13, 14, and 15). For the three remaining items (2, 5, and 6), Kentucky did not meet the established goals, which will result in a financial penalty. More information on Kentucky's progress, trends, barriers, and goals achieved can be found in <u>Kentucky's PIP Data Close-Out Meeting</u>.



The Department for Community Based Services (DCBS) has much to be proud of. At the beginning of 2022, PIP monitoring data showed that Kentucky had only met one of the 10 goals. Huge progress was made throughout the end of the monitoring period (September 30, 2022) that led to the achievement of seven goals. In addition, much of the case work reviewed during the monitoring period was conducted during the worldwide COVID-19 pandemic and severe staffing crisis. Despite those challenges and more, frontline, regional, and central office staff worked even harder to provide services to Kentucky's most vulnerable families and children. Those efforts are evident in the improved scores related to child and family outcomes.

Kentucky will participate in CFSR Round 4 as a Year 2 state, which will tentatively occur in 2024. This gives us time to analyze our final data and determine how to move forward with improving outcomes for families and children. Round 4 will begin with a new statewide assessment and include collaboration with both internal and external stakeholders. Until then, we will celebrate our successes and strategize around our lessons learned.

Thank you for all that you do for families, children, and vulnerable adults every day. I see you and I appreciate you.

If you have questions regarding the CFSR, PIP, or this memorandum, please contact:

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