

Statement of Consideration (SOC)

PPTL 25-13 SOP Chapter C7 Out of Home Care (OOHC) Services edits. The following comments were received in response to SOP drafts sent for field review. Thanks to those who reviewed and commented. Comments about typographical and grammatical errors are excluded; these errors have been corrected as appropriate.

SOP C7.5 Designation as Medically Complex

1. **Comment:** Can we add in this to request a level of care with CRP as part of the process? The 'medical acuity' is not a level and makes a difference with PCP placements. MC children are being placed at a PCP without a level. This is an issue with youth under the age of 4.

Response: This content is not appropriate for **SOP C7.5 Designation as Medically Complex**, as this content is strictly about the process for having a child designated as medically complex. However, an additional procedure will be added to [SOP C7.6 Placement and Caregiving Considerations for a Child Designated as Medically Complex](#) to follow procedures in [SOP C7.9 Level of Care Assignment](#) for any medically complex child who will be placed in a PCP or PCC placement.

SOP C7.30 Reunification, Including Extended Visitation, Case Planning, and Transitional Supports to Families and Children

1. **Comment:** This section does not actually explain extended visitation. I attached a description of what is needed for it.

Should follow same guidelines as trial home visit SOP 4.35

Placement change is not done – TLC entered and agreement attached

An extended visitation should have a specific agreement outlined as to the services that will be provided and the responsibility of each party involved.

Extended visitation is also no longer than 14 days. Duration needs to be specified.

Also family therapy needs to occur as well as continued case management, after hours support etc. Basically, anything that they would provide while the youth was still physically placed in their program.

Can be done on prevention plan

****Extended visitation should be entered on the TLC screen and a copy of the prevention plan/agreement needs to be attached.**

Response: SOP C7.30 is the former SOP 4.35. It has been renumbered as part of the SOP reorganization. The header "Trial Home Visitation" will be edited to "Trial Home Visitation or Extended Visitation" to make clear that the procedures apply to both. An additional clarifier will be added to note that an extended visit may not extend beyond fourteen (14) days if it is considered a temporary absence from the placement with the intent to return to the placement.

No other comments for Chapter C7 were received.