

Statement of Consideration (SOC)

PPTL 26-11 SOP G1.8. The following comment was 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.

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1. Comment: Are there plans for system prompts at the times FTM will be required? Like a report that runs and is sent to supervisors with a list of kids that have entered care in the last 60 days and do not have an FTM to alert them to remind staff to hold one.

Response: There are no current plans to create a report. FTMs are part of case planning, so the case planning task will continue to be provided.

2. Comment: Would the 30-day reunification FTM be taken care of by case planning after the reunification? I would think true "reunification" as intended here would mean the return of custody to the parent/original caregiver from which it was removed, meaning the case would no longer be an OOHC case and should necessitate a new in-home case plan.

Response: Possibly, but not in every case. Custody may not be returned to the parent in thirty (30) days. There could be an in-home case plan where the child remains in DCBS custody.

3. Comment: I would also note that there is a good long list of reasons to do an FTM in 5.10 that are not happening, so we may need to look at what we really want to make a requirement for FTMs in procedure vs just a list of them in guidance as possible times to consider one.

Response: [SOP C5.10 Ongoing Case Planning](#) references in home case plans. FTMs should occur when there is a significant change in the case as identified by the family or DCBS staff. The list in SOP C5.10 provides some examples of such changes.

4. Comment: Having to conduct FTM so frequently is a very time consuming task for all OOHC cases

Response: Ongoing engagement with families reduces time in out-of-home care. It helps a child exit care more quickly by providing the support and resources families need to reduce safety threats.