Did You Know?

In the event that a father is determined to be legitimately unavailable through absent parent search, paternal relatives are to be considered for placement and case involvement.

Social service workers should discuss the importance and requirements of involving fathers with other members of the case plan, even when mothers are resistant to their involvement.

Ensure that services are appropriate and support the father’s understanding of the child’s development and care needs.

Social service workers are required to make face–to–face contact with the father to verify case progress and document accordingly. If the father has objectives on the case plan, contact must be made to ensure his progress.

SOP 4.3 - Relative and Absent Parent Search

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