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A new e-mail address is available to submit comments for policy field draft reviews. The new email address is DPPSOPEditor@ky.gov.

PPIM Notice

- [PPIM 21-17 Child Welfare Workforce Development](#)

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- [PPM 21-24 Updated Fall in Love with Foster Care and Adoption brochure](#)

Child Protection Branch-Field Draft Review

- 2.12 Completing the Assessment and Documentation Tool (ADT) and Making a Finding. (Zip File Attached)
- Comments due by 9/13/2021 to DPPSOPEditor@ky.gov.

Family Engagement Hashtag Campaign

#InvestingInRelationshipsForChange—The following is the 13th in a series of notices aimed at supporting positive engagement between staff and the families and children we serve.

Good child welfare practice relies on quality contacts between caseworkers and children, youth, parents, and resource parents (foster parents and other caregivers).

The [Caseworker Visit Template](#) should be utilized during each visit to ensure a thorough assessment is completed. Proper use of this tool ensures improved scores on PIP Items 12-15 associated with Well-being Outcome 1. See below for an outline of each item in this outcome.

Outcome	Families have enhanced capacity to provide for their children's needs.
WB1	
Sub-Item 12a	Needs assessment and services to children
Sub-Item 12b	Needs assessment and services to parents
Sub-Item 12c	Needs assessment and services to foster parents
Item 12	Needs and services of child, parents, and foster parents
Item 13	Child and family involvement in case planning
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Brought to you by the [Family Engagement Workgroup](#).

Caseworker Visits



Conducting a quality caseworker visit with children, youth, parents, or resource parents requires a variety of caseworker activities before, during, and after the visit.

- Caseworker visits with children, parents, and caregivers need to focus on case planning issues, service delivery, and goal attainment.
- The Caseworker Visit Template should be used to assist in ensuring meaningful discussions around safety, permanency planning, and well-being are taking place.

PIP Tips from KY CFSR Reviewers

Item 12

- Always interview (or attempt to interview) children in private.
- To assess children's needs, inquire about their social, attachment, and emotional well-being every month through conversations with the children and caretakers, as well as periodically through collateral professionals.
- Look at the underlying causes of the abuse/neglect when assessing the parents' needs.
- Ask the parents what they feel their strengths & needs are.
- Make sure the referred service matches the need.

Item 13

- Include all school-age (and developmentally appropriate) children in case planning, including on in-home cases.
- When developing a case plan, it should start out blank and be developed with the family.
- Discuss the case plan every single month with the children and parents.

Item 14

- See the child every month in the residence where they reside.
- Interview the child in private
- Pay attention to their physical appearance (assessing for signs of abuse), physical environment, and aiming questions at assessing safety, needs, & case planning.

Item 15

- See the parents monthly. If the father/step-father isn't home during the visit, make arrangements to go back and see him later when he is at home.
- Discuss the progress of the case, case plan, and barriers they are experiencing.
- If a non-offending parent has joint custody or is involved in the life of the child, see them too.

