

In This Issue

- **Important Notice**
- Did You Know?
- PPM 22-07 Correction in SOP 12
- PPTL 22-11 SOP 12
- PPTL 22-12 SOP 4
- #Hashtag Campaign—Number 16-
#Investinginrelationshipsfor
change.

Miscellaneous

- We continue to work on issues in the new SOP policy manual. If you encounter a specific issue, please notify [Melanie Daniels and Julie Cubert](#) or send an email to DPPSOPEditor@ky.gov. We appreciate your patience and working with us on a successful transition.

Important Notice

DCBS staff are required to use form versions that are within the SOP manual. Modified versions that are not in the SOP manual are **not permitted**. Some forms are incorporated into the Kentucky Administration Regulation (KAR) and can **only be modified** through amending regulations. Other forms within the SOP manual go through a formal vetting and approval process. Using unapproved versions of these forms can lead to liability issues for the user and can lead to incorrect information being provided/captured. If you have suggestions for modifications to any form currently in the SOP manual, please send those and why the modification is needed to dppsopeditor@ky.gov for consideration.

Did You Know?

- Did You Know? Regional Placement Coordinators—cover letter

PPM

- PPM 22-07 Correction in SOP 12

PPTL

- PPTL 22-11 SOP 12 Updates
- PPTL 22-12 SOP 4 Updates

#Hashtag Campaign #16

Engagement related to assessing safety threats is number 16 in the **#InvestingInRelationshipsForChange** Campaign. The campaign is brought to you by the Family Engagement Workgroup.

How does engagement relate to the safety of children and preventing removal?

Assessing safety threats requires engagement of families within an investigation, as well as an ongoing case. Engagement is how we gather information for an assessment.



How do we assess safety?

Some examples include:

- Observation of the entire home
- Interviewing caregivers about substance misuse, mental health, and domestic violence
- One-on-one conversations with all youth (remember to ask about discipline)
- Collateral contacts

This engagement/assessment leads to identifying any safety threats. If safety threats are identified, services can be implemented to prevent removal of the children from the home.

These services could include:

- FPP, Intercept, Homebuilders or START.
- Substance abuse treatment referral
- Mental health services referral
- Childcare assistance



WHAT EFFORTS HAVE YOU MADE TO ENGAGE FAMILIES, IDENTIFY SAFETY THREATS, AND PROVIDE SERVICES TIMELY?

Brought to you by the Family Engagement Workgroup