

### **ADOPTION INCENTIVE**

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### Purpose

The Adoption Incentive Program is intended to improve the achievement of permanency, stability, and well-being for children residing in foster care through the development of specific and measurable performance standards. Section 409.1662(4), Florida Statutes (F.S.), was effective July 1, 2015 and requires the Florida Department of Children and Families (Department) to provide an annual report to the Governor and Legislature as to the set negotiated targets, outcomes achieved, and incentive payments made to each Community-based Care (CBC) Lead Agency during the previous state fiscal year.

Section 409.1662(2)(a), F.S., requires the completion of a baseline assessment of the following areas of performance. In establishing the baseline assessment, some limitations to available data exist which are described throughout this report. The most recent 5 years of data, when available, was evaluated for the following adoption performance areas:

- 1. The number of families attempting to adopt children from foster care and the number of families completing the adoption process.
- 2. The number of children eligible for adoption and the number of children whose adoptions were finalized.
- 3. The amount of time eligible children waited for adoption.
- 4. The number of adoptions that resulted in disruption or dissolution and the subset of those disrupted adoptions that were preventable by the CBC lead agency or the subcontracted provider.
- 5. The time taken to complete each phase of the adoption process.
- 6. The expenditures made to recruit adoptive homes and a description of any initiative to improve adoption performance or streamline the adoption process.
- 7. The results of any specific effort to gather feedback from prospective adoptive parents, adoptive parents, children in the child welfare system, adoptees, and other stakeholders.
- The use of evidence-based, evidence-informed, promising and innovative practices in recruitment, orientation and preparation of appropriate adoptive families; matching children with families; supporting children during the adoption process; and providing post-adoptive support.

### **Comprehensive Baseline Assessment**

Per statutory requirements, the Department conducted a comprehensive baseline assessment of the eight (8) required adoption performance areas. In addition, the Department further analyzed adoption trends and selected an additional four (4) areas of performance to assess which include:

- 1. Children available for adoption 24 months or longer;
- 2. Children adopted who had been residing in group care;
- Children with a special needs determination of Medically Fragile or Physically Disabled; and
- 4. Sibling groups of three (3) or more children adopted together.

Five years of data, when available, was retrieved for each adoption outcome. The data obtained from the baseline assessment was then used to assist in the determination of which adoption outcomes to incentivize.

The adoption process outcome data contained in this report is displayed with statewide data and CBC Lead Agency level data is available in the appendices for most measures. Data is grouped by Region for ease of viewing. To compile this report, most data was extracted from the Florida's Safe Families Network (FSFN) which is Florida's Child Welfare Information System. Any variation in this data collection methodology is noted in the report. To address informational gaps prospectively, the Department has initiated the design of additional FSFN functionality to provide future opportunities for documentation and data collection around the identified adoption performance areas.

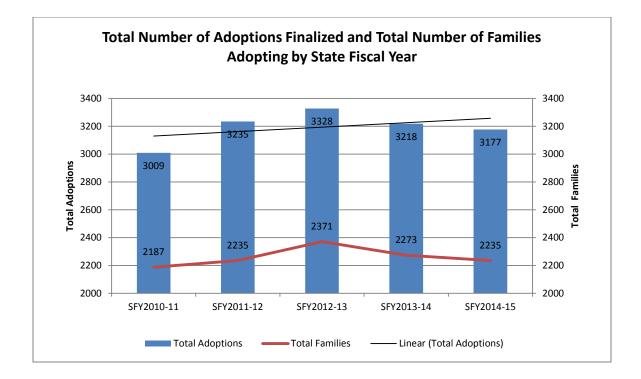
### 2015 Adoption Baseline Data

## 1. The number of families attempting to adopt children from foster care and the number of families completing the adoption process.

The Florida Safe Families Network does not currently track families attempting to adopt in a data extractable format. The Department has begun discussions with the CBC Lead Agencies on the proper documentation procedures and new system functionality to be added to FSFN to enable accurate tracking of the number of families attempting to adopt in the future.

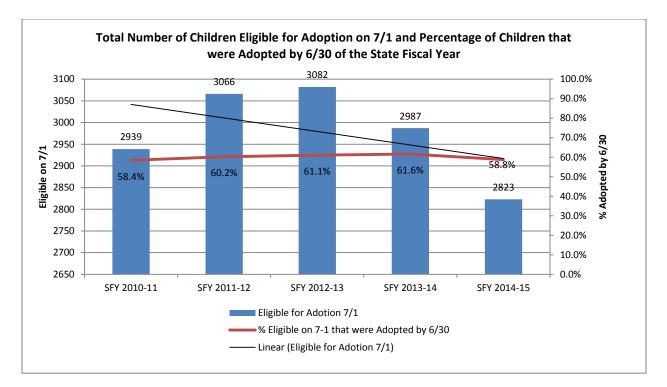
The chart on the next page depicts the total number of adoptions and the actual numbers of families who adopted at least one (1) child each state fiscal year (SFY) during the five year assessment period (SFY 2010 -11 through SFY 2014-15) from a statewide perspective (see Appendix A for data at the CBC Lead Agency level).

Between SFY 2010-11 and SFY 2014-15, the Department averaged 3193 finalized adoptions annually and the number of families who adopted one or more children from foster care averaged 2260.

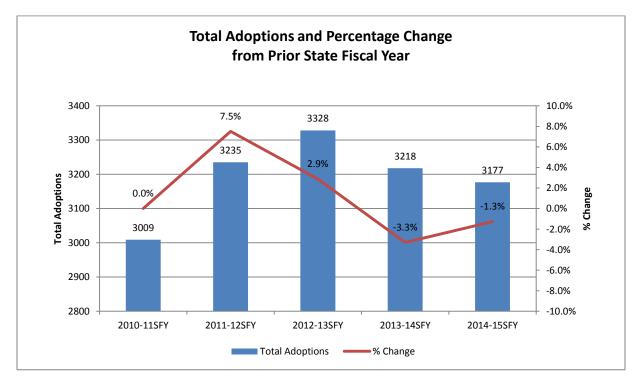


## 2. The number of children eligible for adoption and the number of children whose adoptions were finalized.

The above chart shows that while the overall number of finalized adoptions peaked in SFY 2012-13, the overall trend in the number of finalized adoptions remains up for the past four (4) state fiscal years. However, as seen in the next chart, the trend in the total number of children available for adoption at the start of each state fiscal year has been declining. Despite the decline, the percentage of children who were adopted from that pool by the end of the year has remained static at around 60% (see appendices B and C for CBC Lead Agency level data).

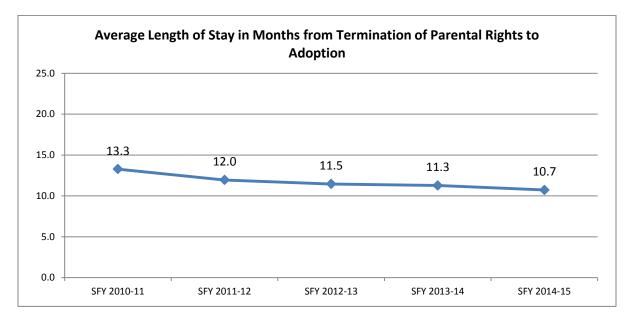


Another view of the data is depicted in the below chart and also documents an increase in adoption finalizations. Florida experienced an increase in adoption finalizations of 5.6% between SFYs 2010-11 and 2014-15, with the increase peaking between SFYs 2010-11 and 2012-13 at 10.4%.



### 3. The amount of time eligible children waited for adoption.

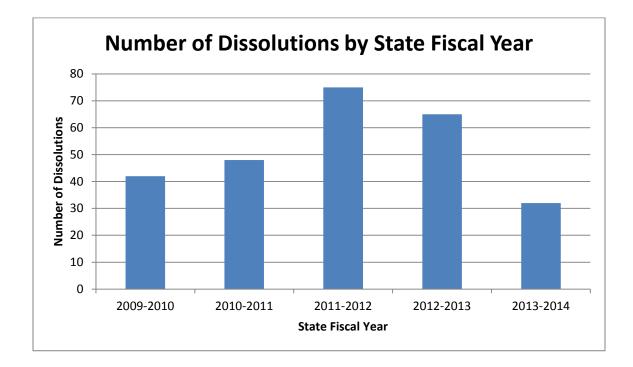
Per Florida Statutes, children are not available for adoption until both of their legal parents' rights have been terminated. The following charts show the average time from termination of parental rights (TPR) for both legal parents of children that experienced a finalized adoption during the assessment period. As shown in the chart below, the statewide average of the number of days from completed TPR to adoption finalization dropped from 13.3 to 10.7 months between SFYs 2010-11 and 2014-15. This data can be seen again in another form in section 5. "The time taken to complete each phase of the adoption process" (see Appendix D for CBC Lead Agency level data).



# 4. The number of adoptions that resulted in disruption or dissolution and the subset of those disrupted adoptions that were preventable by the lead agency or the subcontracted provider.

Currently neither disruption nor dissolution data is tracked in FSFN. However, dissolution data is tracked manually by the CBC Lead Agencies and the Department's Statewide Adoption Program Specialist. New functionality for FSFN has been designed to enable the tracking of adoption disruptions beginning in SFY 2016-17. As the following chart displays, over the last five (5) state fiscal years, the number of adoption dissolutions ranged from a low of 32 to a high of 75 per state fiscal year. It is important to note that an adoption disruption or dissolution can occur for a recent adoption finalization or one that occurred years before.

There is no available data related to the preventability of the disrupted adoptions.

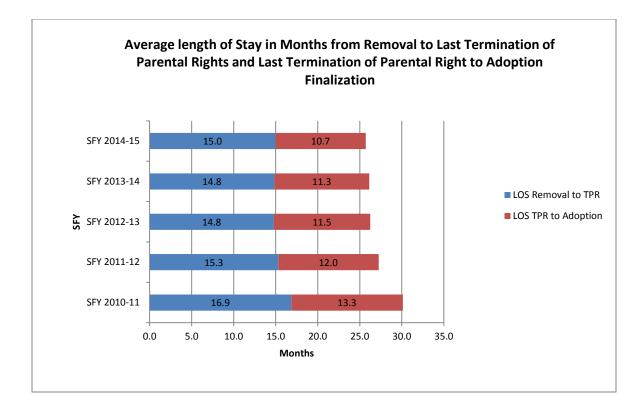


### 5. The time taken to complete each phase of the adoption process.

There are two clear phases of the adoption process. The first phase of the adoption process is the time between the removal of the child from his or her legal parents to the termination of paternal rights of both legal parents. The second phase of the adoption process begins with the termination of parental rights of both legal parents and ends with the finalized adoption of the child.

The chart below displays the time it took to complete each phase of the adoption process during the last five (5) state fiscal years, as well as the total time it took to adoption completion (see Appendix D for CBC Lead Agency level data).

From the data presented thus far in this report, we can see that while the overall number of children adopted from the foster care system has increased since SFY 2010-11 and the percentage of children who were eligible for adoption on 7/1 who achieved adoption finalization by 6/30 has remained fairly static, the overall length of stay within the foster care system for those children who reached adoption finalization has declined. Since SFY 2010-11, this length of stay has decreased from 30.2 months to 25.7 months for SFY 2014-15.



# 6. The expenditures made to recruit adoptive homes and a description of any initiative to improve adoption performance or streamline the adoption process.

Currently, expenditures paid to recruit adoptive homes are not tracked within FSFN. New functionality is being added to FSFN to enable the tracking of adoptive home recruitment expenditures starting in SFY 2016-17.

# 7. The results of any specific effort to gather feedback from prospective adoptive parents, adoptive parents, children in the child welfare system, adoptees, and other stakeholders.

The Department, in conjunction with the CBC Lead Agencies, conducted a Post Adoption Survey of all adoptive parents who had adopted children from the Department and were residing in Florida. The survey closed in February 2015. Aggregation of survey results is still being completed by the Department and completion is anticipated in December 2015. A copy of the survey instrument is attached to this report. Additionally, the Department is collaborating with the CBC Lead Agencies to develop a better way to gather feedback from prospective adoptive parents, children in the child welfare system, adoptees, and other stakeholders.

8. The use of evidence-based, evidence-informed, promising, and innovative practices in recruitment, orientation, and preparation of appropriate adoptive families, matching children with families, supporting children during the adoption process, and providing postadoptive support.

The Department is currently collaborating with the CBC Lead Agencies to establish methods for defining and documenting evidence-based, evidence informed, promising and innovative practices in recruitment, orientation, and preparation of appropriate adoptive families, matching children with families, and supporting children during the adoption process, and providing post-adoptive support.

The Department plans to inquire about the development of any innovative practices established by the CBC Lead Agencies or their subcontracted providers to improve adoption performance in relation to this Adoption Incentive Program.

### **Adoption Incentive Program**

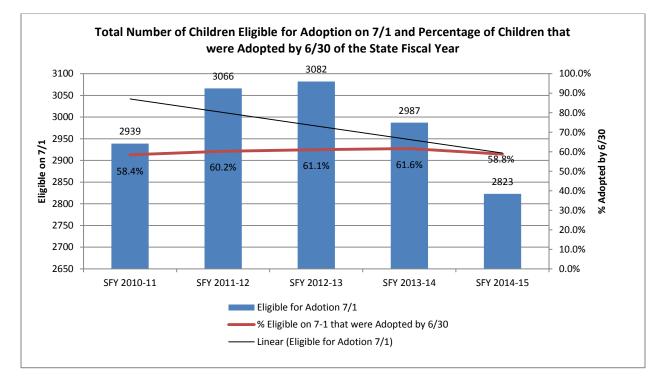
Florida has a successful history in achieving high numbers of adoptions. The following data depicts further reflection on adoption trends and additional detail regarding the children who reach adoption finalization.

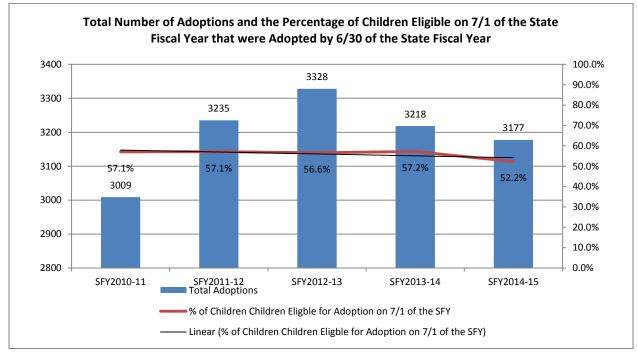
### **Adoption Trends and Findings**

The earlier data showed that between SFYs 2010-11 and 2014-15, the Department averaged 3193 finalized adoptions annually and that despite slight declines each year after SFY 2012-13, the overall percentage of adoption finalizations has trended upward.

One of the below charts was presented earlier in this report and is presented again here for additional comment. The other is similar but takes a slightly different look at completed adoption finalizations, contrasting the percentage of children available for adoption to the completed number of adoptions. Across these five (5) state fiscal years, the total percentage of children who were eligible for adoption on 7/1 and who reached adoption finalized by 6/30 has remained relatively static at approximately 60%. This distribution of adoptions finalized indicates that although the total number of adoptions being finalized has increased numerically, the overall percentage of children who were categorized as eligible for adoption at the start of the SFY

remains static. This means that within any given SFY approximately 40% of the those children who were categorized as eligible for adoption at the start of the SFY will not achieve permanency through the outcome of adoption by the close of the SFY.



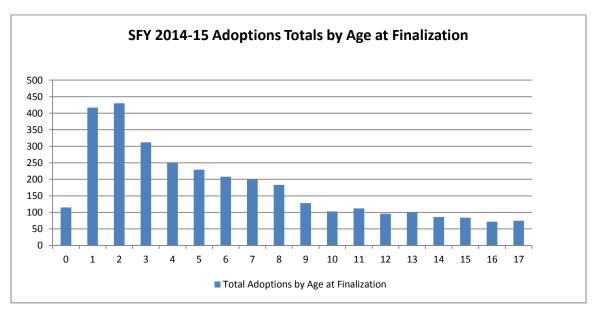


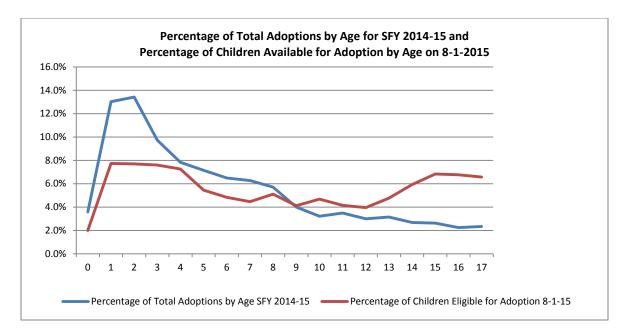
The data included indicates that the increase in the total number of finalized adoptions that the Department experienced since SFY 2010-11 has been fairly evenly distributed between those

children who were eligible for adoption at the beginning of the SFY and those children who became eligible for adoption after the start of the SFY. While the overall increase in the total number of finalized adoptions has trended upward over time (as seen in the chart on page 5), these increases of have not radically altered the rate at which children who were eligible for adoption at the start of the SFY are being adopted. Several pockets of children remain largely untouched by the total increase in adoptions which the data below will continue to explore.

### Age and Placement Setting at Finalization: Information and Findings

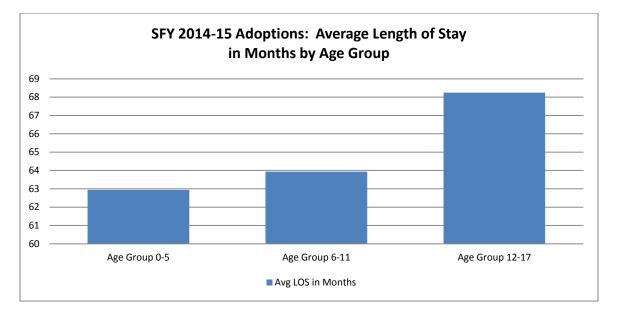
Over the course of SFY 2014-15, the Department finalized 3177 adoptions. Children between the ages of 0-5 account for 54.8% of all finalized adoptions, while children between the ages of 6-11 and 12-17 accounted for 29.2% and 16.0% respectively. An extraction of FSFN data for all children who were categorized as eligible for adoption on 8-1-2015 showed that 37.7% of all eligible children were between the ages of 0-5, while the 6-11 and 12-17 age cohorts accounted for 27.3% and 34.8% respectively.





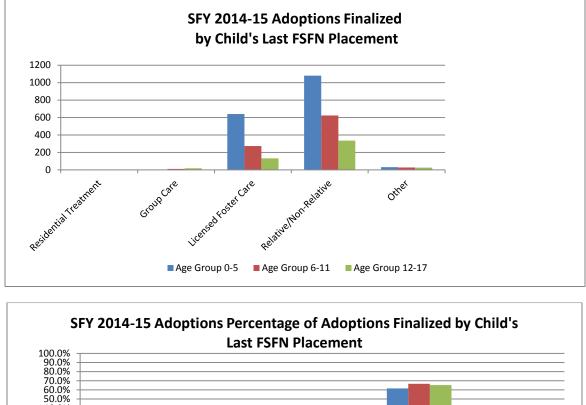
As the above two charts show, the Department finalizes the adoptions of younger children at a rate which is significantly higher than that of teens.

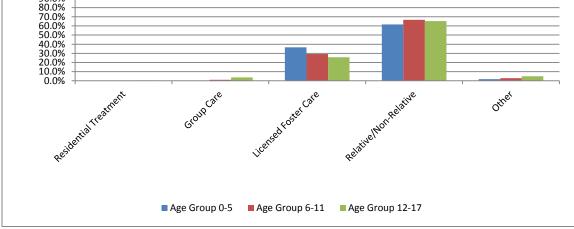
Younger adopted children have, on average, a shorter length of stay in the foster care system (Age Group 0-5, 63 months) prior to reaching adoption finalization. The below chart indicates that children 0-5 will reach permanency by 63 months. Older children, ages 12-17, show a higher overall average length of stay at 68 months.



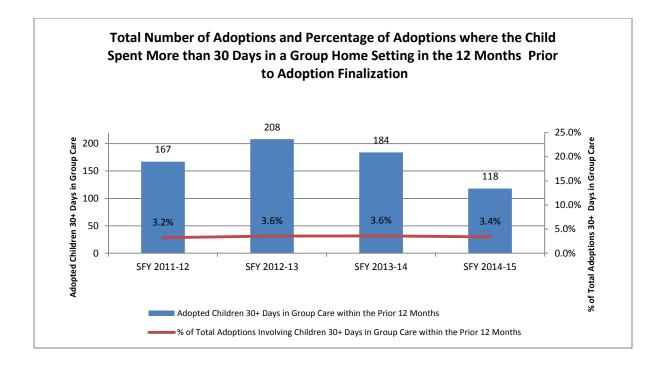
Additionally, a child's last placement type in FSFN prior to reaching adoption finalization showed significant findings in that approximately 64% of all finalized adoptions occurred for children whose last FSFN placement was coded as Relative/Non-Relative Care. In comparison, only

about 1% of all finalized adoptions had a child's last FSFN placement coded as Group Care, with less than 4% of teens between the ages of 12-17 showed a last FSFN placement category of Group Care prior to having their adoption finalized.





These group home finalization findings are consistent with the observed data for the last four SFYs for the percentage of children who were adopted after having spent 30 days or more in a group care setting within the prior 12 months. This data shows that only 3.4% of all adopted children fall into this category.

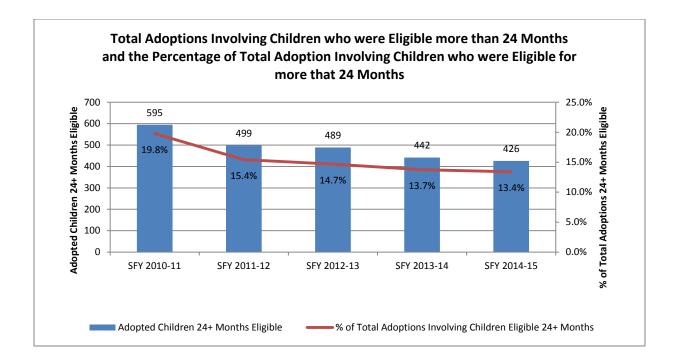


The above data indicates that children who are categorized as eligible for adoption who are placed into a group care setting are generally not achieving permanency through adoption. In fact as of 8/1/2015, roughly 33% of all teens between the ages of 12-17 who were considered eligible for adoption were residing in a group care setting, however only 3.4% of Florida's total adoptions involved children who had resided in group care for more than 30 days over the preceding 12 months (see Appendix E for CBC Lead Agency level data).

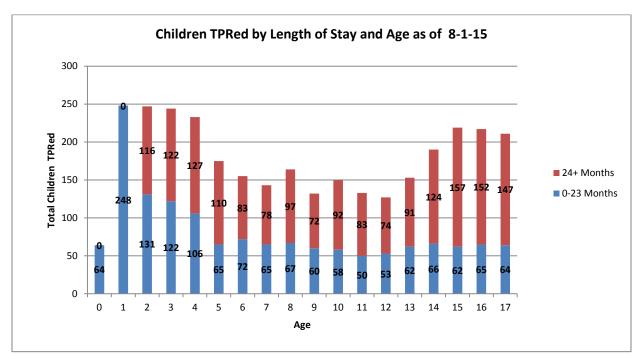
### Length of Stay

"Children available for adoption" is defined as children whose legal parents' parental rights have been terminated. The following chart depicts the statewide percentage of adoptions for children who were available for adoption for at least 24 months prior to adoption finalization (see Appendix F for CBC Lead Agency level data). For this measure, the number of children meeting the criteria of "free for adoption 24 months or longer" is known, so performance can be calculated as a percentage.

The Department calculated that 53.8% of children on 8/1/2015 who were eligible for adoption were in care for 24 months or longer. The chart on the next page shows that only 13.4% of those children achieved permanency through adoption during SFY 2014-15. The data further shows that performance on moving these children who have been in care longer to adoption finalization has been declining.

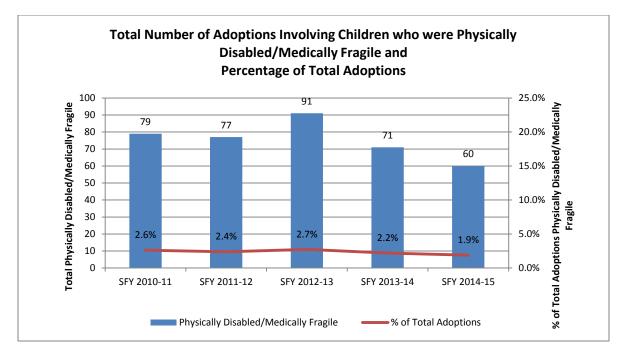


A further look at children who are eligible for adoption by length of stay, 0–23 months compared to 24 months or longer, also demonstrates that length of stay is a factor in achieving adoption finalizations. Beginning at around age 5, the number of children available for adoption who have been in care 24 months or longer begins to increase, really trending upward around age 10.



### Special Needs: Physically Disabled and Medically Fragile

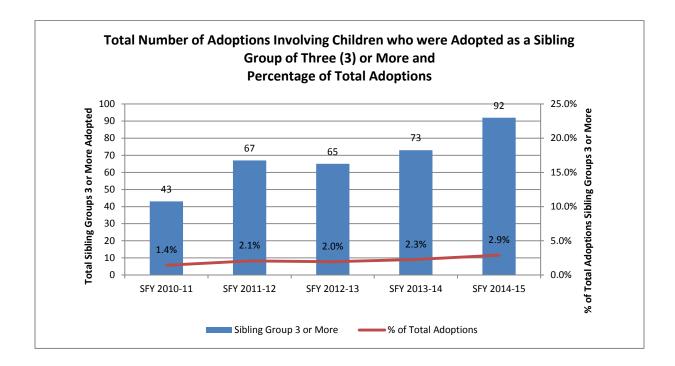
The chart below represents the number of children adopted statewide who are deemed medically fragile or physically disabled and displays the proportion of these adoptions of the total adoptions completed (see Appendix G for CBC Lead Agency level data). It is noteworthy that this population makes a very small percentage of total adoptions. In SFY 2012-13, Florida completed 91 adoptions of children who were physically disabled or medically fragile. In SFY 2014-15, that number dropped to 60 children. In this measure, the number of children meeting this criteria is not known due to limitations in data entry. The special needs category is assigned by a case worker at the time of adoption. For this reason, it is not known whether the drop in performance reflects an actual drop in performance or a drop in the number of children meeting this criteria.



### Sibling Groups

The chart on the next page depicts the statewide number of adoptions for children who were in a sibling group of three (3) or more and adopted together and displays the proportion of these adoptions to the total adoptions completed (see Appendix G for CBC Lead Agency level data). In SFY 2014-15, 92 siblings groups were adopted together. While performance seems to have improved in this area over time, this is another area where actual performance is unknown. FSFN data is unreliable for the identification of siblings. Adoption staff have identified siblings for which they were recruiting for as a part of a sibling group and the below data is derived from that identification. The actual number of sibling groups is not known so the Department cannot accurately determine whether this data reflects an improvement in performance or an increase in the number of sibling groups available.

Currently, adoption staff make the decision whether or not to separate siblings for adoption purposes. In an effort to reduce the prevalence of this practice, the Department has chosen this measure of keeping siblings together as a high priority.



Use of data to drive performance continues to be a challenge as some data is not available in FSFN and other data is not entered into the system accurately. Some populations represent a very small proportion of the total adoption finalizations, either by CBC Lead Agency or by measure, making analysis and target setting virtually impossible. In addition, the Department has recently developed a statewide initiative to improve data entry and standardization.

### Implementation

After reviewing the baseline and additional data, the Department believes that there are four (4) populations for whom achieving adoption finalization is more complex and challenging. Those populations are:

- 1. Children available for adoption 24 months or longer;
- 2. Children adopted who had been residing in group care;
- 3. Children with a special needs determination of Medically Fragile or Physically Disabled; and
- 4. Sibling groups of three (3) or more children adopted together.

As the above four (4) measures are so closely tied to stability and well-being, as well as other Department initiatives and legislative direction, the Department plans to incentivize all adoptions in these categories that are finalized between July 1, 2015 and May 1, 2016. The Department believes that improvements across these four (4) targeted areas will reap benefits across the other eight (8) baseline measures. In addition, this methodology assures that all allocated funds are expended.

The Department will collaborate with CBC Lead Agencies to finalize details and establish any additional policy and processes needed to implement the Adoption Incentive Program. As the program is still under development, outcomes achieved and incentives awarded will be documented in the 2016 annual report.

### Conclusions

During the initial four months of the program (July – October 2015), the Department has worked toward implementing the statutory requirements and goals associated with the Comprehensive Baseline Assessment and the Adoption Incentive Program contained in Chapter 2015-130, Laws of Florida. The Department completed the baseline assessment required by s. 409.1662(2)(a), F.S. and evaluated other factors related to adoption trends in October 2015. This data will be shared with the CBC Lead Agencies in December 2015 and the Department will work with them to finalize the incentive methodology.

After reviewing the baseline and additional data, the Department plans to build the first year of incentives around the following four (4) items:

- 1. Children available for adoption 24 months or longer;
- 2. Children with a special needs determination of Medically Fragile or Physically Disabled;
- 3. Siblings groups of three (3) or more children adopted together; and
- 4. Children adopted who had been residing in group care.

The Department believes that incentivizing these particular measures will have an impact for Florida's children in need of permanency, stability, and well-being and that the data supports these areas of focus. As this program is new in SFY 2015-2016, outcomes achieved and details on incentives issued are not yet available. Due to timing, improvements in performance may not be seen until the following state fiscal year once CBC Lead Agencies can work to adapt their practices and implement new processes. The Department and the CBC Lead Agencies continue to work to ensure that permanency is a focus and that all children available for adoption obtain a forever family.



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### Appendix A

		Total Adoptions and the Number of Families who Adopted 1 or More Children by State Fiscal Year											
Region	Primary Agency	Total Adoptions	Number of Families who Adopted 1 or More Children	Total Adoptions	Number of Families who Adopted 1 or More Children	Total Adoptions	Number of Families who Adopted 1 or More Children	Total Adoptions	Number of Families who Adopted 1 or More Children	Total Adoptions	Number of Families who Adopted 1 or More Children		
		SFY 20	010-11	SFY 2	011-12	SFY 20	012-13	SFY	2013-14	SFY 2	2014-15		
Northwest	Big Bend CBC East	46	33	50	41	69	53	46	30	52	34		
Northwest	Big Bend CBC West	67	46	73	52	77	48	94	68	128	82		
Northwest	Families First Network	179	127	220	141	237	156	260	172	200	120		
	Northwest Region	292	206	343	234	383	257	400	270	380	236		
Northeast	Community Partnership for Children	137	99	163	105	194	137	184	119	125	94		
Northeast	Family Support Services	195	149	319	211	298	214	261	166	283	169		
Northeast	Kids First of Florida, Inc.	47	28	24	19	47	37	39	26	45	32		
Northeast	Partnership for Strong Families	182	122	145	106	153	107	155	118	176	120		
Northeast	St. Johns County Commission	23	15	32	16	34	25	33	22	23	17		
Northeast Region		584	413	683	457	726	520	672	451	652	432		
Central	CBC of Brevard	49	39	68	48	58	50	70	49	64	51		
Central	CBC of Central Florida	196	142	241	167	196	138	182	135	169	112		
Central	CBC of Seminole	24	16	31	22	29	20	17	13	41	28		
Central	Heartland for Children, Inc.	132	83	140	100	140	96	144	101	135	84		
Central	Kids Central, Inc.	202	155	171	123	151	111	142	96	121	94		
	Central Region	603	435	651	460	574	415	555	394	530	369		
SunCoast	Children's Network of SW Florida	131	95	126	85	140	102	142	92	105	86		
SunCoast	Eckerd Community Hillsborough	275	204	290	200	292	192	252	171	287	199		
SunCoast	Eckerd Community Pasco/Pinellas	293	219	321	219	331	239	395	301	361	270		
SunCoast	YMCA South	157	108	132	87	150	103	163	122	145	104		
	SunCoast Region	856	626	869	591	913	636	952	686	898	659		
Southeast	ChildNet Broward	175	130	193	140	174	143	113	92	183	140		
Southeast	ChildNet Palm Beach	130	111	164	120	153	104	128	95	159	126		
Southeast	Devereux	130	95	117	74	109	80	91	67	149	103		
Southern	Our Kids, Inc.	239	178	215	162	296	222	307	221	226	172		
S	Southeast/Southern Regions	674	514	689	496	732	549	639	475	717	541		
	Statewide	3009	2187	3235	2235	3328	2371	3218	2273	3177	2235		

### Appendix B

Total Adoptions and Percent Change in Total Number of Adoptions by State Fiscal Year											
Region	Primary Agency	Total Adoptions	% Change 2010-11 SFY to 2010-11 SFY	Total Adoptions	% Change 2010-11 SFY to 2011-12 SFY	Total Adoptions	% Change 2011-12 SFY to 2012-13 SFY		% Change 2012-13 SFY to 2013-14 SFY		% Change 2013-14 SFY to 2014-15 SFY
		SFY 2	010-11	SFY 2	2011-12	SFY 2	012-13	SFY 2	013-14	SFY 2	2014-15
Northwest	Big Bend CBC East	46	0.0%	50	8.7%	69	38.0%	46	-33.3%	52	13.0%
Northwest	Big Bend CBC West	67	0.0%	73	9.0%	77	5.5%	94	22.1%	128	36.2%
Northwest	Families First Network	179	0.0%	220	22.9%	237	7.7%	260	9.7%	200	-23.1%
	Northwest Region	292	0.0%	343	17.5%	383	11.7%	400	4.4%	380	-5.0%
Northeast	Community Partnership for Children	137	0.0%	163	19.0%	194	19.0%	184	-5.2%	125	-32.1%
Northeast	Family Support Services	195	0.0%	319	63.6%	298	-6.6%	261	-12.4%	283	8.4%
Northeast	Kids First of Florida, Inc.	47	0.0%	24	-48.9%	47	95.8%	39	-17.0%	45	15.4%
Northeast	Partnership for Strong Families	182	0.0%	145	-20.3%	153	5.5%	155	1.3%	176	13.5%
Northeast	St. Johns County Commission	23	0.0%	32	39.1%	34	6.3%	33	-2.9%	23	-30.3%
	Northeast Region	584	0.0%	683	17.0%	726	6.3%	672	-7.4%	652	-3.0%
Central	CBC of Brevard	49	0.0%	68	38.8%	58	-14.7%	70	20.7%	64	-8.6%
Central	CBC of Central Florida	196	0.0%	241	23.0%	196	-18.7%	182	-7.1%	169	-7.1%
Central	CBC of Seminole	24	0.0%	31	29.2%	29	-6.5%	17	-41.4%	41	141.2%
Central	Heartland for Children, Inc.	132	0.0%	140	6.1%	140	0.0%	144	2.9%	135	-6.3%
Central	Kids Central, Inc.	202	0.0%	171	-15.3%	151	-11.7%	142	-6.0%	121	-14.8%
	Central Region	603	0.0%	651	8.0%	574	-11.8%	555	-3.3%	530	-4.5%
SunCoast	Children's Network of SW Florida	131	0.0%	126	-3.8%	140	11.1%	142	1.4%	105	-26.1%
SunCoast	Eckerd Community Hillsborough	275	0.0%	290	5.5%	292	0.7%	252	-13.7%	287	13.9%
SunCoast	Eckerd Community Pasco/Pinellas	293	0.0%	321	9.6%	331	3.1%	395	19.3%	361	-8.6%
SunCoast	YMCA South	157	0.0%	132	-15.9%	150	13.6%	163	8.7%	145	-11.0%
	SunCoast Region	856	0.0%	869	1.5%	913	5.1%	952	4.3%	898	-5.7%
Southeast	ChildNet Broward	175	0.0%	193	10.3%	174	-9.8%	113	-35.1%	183	61.9%
Southeast	ChildNet Palm Beach	130	0.0%	164	26.2%	153	-6.7%	128	-16.3%	159	24.2%
Southeast	Devereux	130	0.0%	117	-10.0%	109	-6.8%	91	-16.5%	149	63.7%
Southern	Our Kids, Inc.	239	0.0%	215	-10.0%	296	37.7%	307	3.7%	226	-26.4%
S	outheast/Southern Regions	674	0.0%	689	2.2%	732	6.2%	639	-12.7%	717	12.2%
	Statewide	3009	0.0%	3235	7.5%	3328	2.9%	3218	-3.3%	3177	-1.3%

### Appendix C

	Number of Children who were Eligible for Adoption on 7/1 who were Adopted by 6/30 and Percentages by Total Eligible and Total Adoptions																									
Region	Primary Agency	# of Eligible Children as of 7/1	# of Eligible as of 7/1 Adopted by 6/30	Total Adoptions	Percent Eligible as of 7/1 Adopted by 6/30	Percent of Total Adoptions Involving Children Eligible on 7/1	# of Eligible Children as of 7/1	# of Eligible as of 7/1 Adopted by 6/30	Total Adoptions	Percent Eligible as of 7/1 Adopted by 6/30	Percent of Total Adoptions Involving Children Eligible on 7/1	# of Eligible Children as of 7/1	# of Eligible as of 7/1 Adopted by 6/30	Total Adoptions	Percent Eligible as of 7/1 Adopted by 6/30	Percent of Total Adoptions Involving Children Eligible on 7/1	# of Eligible Children as of 7/1	# of Eligible as of 7/1 Adopted by 6/30	Total Adoptions	Percent Eligible as of 7/1 Adopted by 6/30	Percent of Total Adoptions Involving Children Eligible on 7/1	# of Eligible Children as of 7/1	# of Eligible as of 7/1 Adopted by 6/30	Total Adoptions	Percent Eligible as of 7/1 Adopted by 6/30	Percent of Total Adoptions Involving Children Eligible on 7/1
				SFY 2010-1	1	.,-			SFY 2011-12	2	-7-			SFY 2012-1	13	./-			SFY 2013-1	4	-1-			SFY 2014-1	5	-,-
Northwest	Big Bend CBC East	40	23	46	57.5%	50.0%	38	19	50	50.0%	38.0%	56	40	69	71.4%	58.0%	23	10	46	43.5%	21.7%	67	32	52	47.8%	61.5%
Northwest	Big Bend CBC West	55	33	67	60.0%	49.3%	45	31	73	68.9%	42.5%	41	28	77	68.3%	36.4%	77	48	94	62.3%	51.1%	123	87	128	70.7%	68.0%
Northwest	Families First Network	127	91	179	71.7%	50.8%	226	144	220	63.7%	65.5%	244	157	237	64.3%	66.2%	195	110	252	56.4%	43.7%	227	113	287	49.8%	39.4%
·	Northwest Region	222	147	292	66.2%	50.3%	309	194	343	62.8%	56.6%	341	225	383	66.0%	58.7%	295	168	392	56.9%	42.9%	417	232	467	55.6%	49.7%
Northeast	Community Partnership for Children	136	92	137	67.6%	67.2%	132	84	163	63.6%	51.5%	163	103	194	63.2%	53.1%	159	110	184	69.2%	59.8%	103	69	125	67.0%	55.2%
Northeast	Family Support Services	121	65	195	53.7%	33.3%	191	132	319	69.1%	41.4%	170	110	298	64.7%	36.9%	264	189	260	71.6%	72.7%	220	131	200	59.5%	65.5%
Northeast	Kids First of Florida, Inc.	42	25	47	59.5%	53.2%	30	13	24	43.3%	54.2%	37	26	47	70.3%	55.3%	152	112	142	73.7%	78.9%	138	95	121	68.8%	78.5%
Northeast	Partnership for Strong Families	167	108	182	64.7%	59.3%	126	70	145	55.6%	48.3%	115	78	153	67.8%	51.0%	324	187	307	57.7%	60.9%	210	88	226	41.9%	38.9%
Northeast	St. Johns County Commission	7	5	23	71.4%	21.7%	9	8	32	88.9%	25.0%	13	10	34	76.9%	29.4%	127	90	155	70.9%	58.1%	113	66	176	58.4%	37.5%
	Northeast Region	473	295	584	62.4%	50.5%	488	307	683	62.9%	44.9%	498	327	726	65.7%	45.0%	1026	688	1048	67.1%	65.6%	784	449	848	57.3%	52.9%
Central	CBC of Brevard	58	27	49	46.6%	55.1%	84	45	68	53.6%	66.2%	63	35	58	55.6%	60.3%	65	46	70	70.8%	65.7%	46	20	64	43.5%	31.3%
Central	CBC of Central Florida	199	108	196	54.3%	55.1%	241	152	241	63.1%	63.1%	186	105	196	56.5%	53.6%	146	84	182	57.5%	46.2%	144	81	169	56.3%	47.9%
Central	CBC of Seminole	28	15	24	53.6%	62.5%	27	16	31	59.3%	51.6%	21	13	29	61.9%	44.8%	16	5	17	31.3%	29.4%	35	26	41	74.3%	63.4%
Central	Heartland for Children, Inc.	291	128	132	44.0%	97.0%	143	76	140	53.1%	54.3%	117	84	140	71.8%	60.0%	163	99	261	60.7%	37.9%	180	120	283	66.7%	42.4%
Central	Kids Central, Inc.	223	143	202	64.1%	70.8%	159	108	171	67.9%	63.2%	152	98	151	64.5%	64.9%	116	84	144	72.4%	58.3%	121	75	135	62.0%	55.6%
	Central Region	799	421	603	52.7%	69.8%	654	397	651	60.7%	61.0%	539	335	574	62.2%	58.4%	506	318	674	62.8%	47.2%	526	322	692	61.2%	46.5%
SunCoast	Children's Network of SW Florida	146	63	131	43.2%	48.1%	176	100	126	56.8%	79.4%	135	76	140	56.3%	54.3%	122	69	142	56.6%	48.6%	137	61	105	44.5%	58.1%
SunCoast	Eckerd Community Hillsborough	213	124	275	58.2%	45.1%	303	149	290	49.2%	51.4%	292	157	292	53.8%	53.8%	348	228	395	65.5%	57.7%	293	203	361	69.3%	56.2%
SunCoast	Eckerd Community Pasco/Pinellas	266	160	293	60.2%	54.6%	326	196	321	60.1%	61.1%	317	184	331	58.0%	55.6%	129	73	91	56.6%	80.2%	140	91	149	65.0%	61.1%
SunCoast	YMCA South	144	108	157	75.0%	68.8%	130	91	132	70.0%	68.9%	158	114	150	72.2%	76.0%	201	121	163	60.2%	74.2%	159	100	145	62.9%	69.0%
	SunCoast Region	769	455	856	59.2%	53.2%	935	536	869	57.3%	61.7%	902	531	913	58.9%	58.2%	800	491	791	61.4%	62.1%	729	455	760	62.4%	59.9%
Southeast	ChildNet Broward	173	91	130	52.6%	70.0%	186	115	164	61.8%	70.1%	115	74	153	64.3%	48.4%	124	60	128	48.4%	46.9%	102	57	159	55.9%	35.8%
Southeast	ChildNet Palm Beach	75	37	175	49.3%	21.1%	111	76	193	68.5%	39.4%	186	100	174	53.8%	57.5%	164	68	113	41.5%	60.2%	202	106	183	52.5%	57.9%
Southeast	Devereux	113	95	130	84.1%	73.1%	94	76	117	80.9%	65.0%	116	76	109	65.5%	69.7%	26	20	33	76.9%	60.6%	16	7	23	43.8%	30.4%
Southern	Our Kids, Inc.	315	176	239	55.9%	73.6%	289	146	215	50.5%	67.9%	385	214	296	55.6%	72.3%	46	28	39	60.9%	71.8%	47	31	45	66.0%	68.9%
Sc	utheast/Southern Regions	676	399	674	59.0%	59.2%	680	413	689	60.7%	59.9%	802	464	732	57.9%	63.4%	360	176	313	48.9%	56.2%	367	201	410	54.8%	49.0%
	Statewide	2939	1717	3009	58.4%	57.1%	3066	1847	3235	60.2%	57.1%	3082	1882	3328	61.1%	56.6%	2987	1841	3218	61.6%	57.2%	2823	1659	3177	58.8%	52.2%

### Appendix D

Length of Stay from Last Removal to Termination of Parental Rights and Termination of Parental Rights to Adoption																
Region	Primary Agency	Average LOS in months from Removal to Last TPR	Average LOS in months from Last TPR to Adoption	Total LOS	Average LOS in months from Removal to Last TPR	Average LOS in months from Last TPR to Adoption	Total LOS	Average LOS in months from Removal to Last TPR	in months	Total LOS	Average LOS in months from Removal to Last TPR	Average LOS in months from Last TPR to Adoption	Total LOS	Average LOS in months from Removal to Last TPR	Average LOS in months from Last TPR to Adoption	Total LOS
			SFY 2010-11			SFY 2011-12			SFY 2012-13			SFY 2013-14			SFY 2014-15	
Northwest	Big Bend CBC East	9.3	10.1	19.4	8.0	11.8	19.8	10.8	8.7	19.5	13.5	6.9	20.5	7.9	9.7	17.6
Northwest	Big Bend CBC West	17.7	9.2	26.9	15.9	8.0	23.9	16.6	6.7	23.3	15.6	7.0	22.7	16.7	10.2	26.9
Northwest	Families First Network	16.2	11.1	27.3	14.8	12.6	27.4	14.2	11.0	25.2	19.4	12.9	32.3	19.0	10.1	29.0
Northwe	est Region	14.4	10.1	24.6	12.9	10.8	23.7	13.9	8.8	22.7	16.2	9.0	25.2	14.5	10.0	24.5
Northeast	Community Partnership for Children	17.2	10.0	27.2	16.7	9.9	26.6	17.6	7.7	25.3	17.8	9.9	27.7	17.9	10.8	28.7
Northeast	Family Support Services	11.4	10.4	21.8	9.0	6.3	15.2	7.9	8.6	16.5	15.8	10.9	26.7	13.7	11.2	24.9
Northeast	Kids First of Florida, Inc.	16.1	7.3	23.4	17.5	12.5	30.0	12.3	11.6	23.9	13.8	13.1	26.9	14.3	11.0	25.2
Northeast	Partnership for Strong Families	12.7	12.2	25.0	11.0	10.8	21.8	10.9	9.4	20.3	12.5	17.4	29.9	13.3	14.3	27.5
Northeast	St. Johns County Commission	14.7	7.3	22.1	15.6	7.1	22.8	15.0	4.9	19.9	9.6	8.8	18.5	10.7	8.6	19.3
Northea	ast Region	14.4	9.5	23.9	14.0	9.3	23.3	12.7	8.5	21.2	13.9	12.0	25.9	14.0	11.2	25.1
Central	CBC of Brevard	12.1	12.8	24.9	15.3	11.5	26.8	15.3	13.3	28.5	16.9	15.6	32.4	15.3	8.7	24.0
Central	CBC of Central Florida	17.0	11.8	28.8	16.9	12.9	29.8	17.0	11.2	28.2	14.4	12.8	27.2	19.6	11.0	30.5
Central	CBC of Seminole	16.0	12.8	28.9	9.9	10.3	20.2	17.5	8.9	26.4	18.3	9.5	27.8	18.3	11.7	30.0
Central	Heartland for Children, Inc.	18.4	15.6	33.9	15.9	15.6	31.5	16.7	13.0	29.7	8.7	6.2	14.9	8.5	6.4	14.9
Central	Kids Central, Inc.	16.0	12.6	28.6	12.9	15.3	28.2	14.5	12.1	26.6	14.5	13.4	27.9	17.3	10.8	28.1
Centra	l Region	15.9	13.1	29.0	14.2	13.1	27.3	16.2	11.7	27.9	14.5	11.5	26.0	15.8	9.7	25.5
SunCoast	Children's Network of SW Florida	19.0	16.0	35.0	15.4	18.5	33.9	16.4	13.6	30.0	19.9	8.6	28.4	19.4	9.7	29.1
SunCoast	Eckerd Community Hillsborough	22.8	16.9	39.6	19.5	13.7	33.2	18.4	12.0	30.4	17.2	11.0	28.2	16.0	12.2	28.2
SunCoast	Eckerd Community Pasco/Pinellas	17.8	12.7	30.5	16.7	10.5	27.2	14.9	13.3	28.2	16.6	13.0	29.6	16.8	13.3	30.1
SunCoast	YMCA South	15.8	13.5	29.3	16.8	10.0	26.9	15.4	11.0	26.4	12.9	11.6	24.5	13.6	13.2	26.8
SunCoa	st Region	18.8	14.8	33.6	17.1	13.2	30.3	16.3	12.4	28.7	16.7	11.0	27.7	16.4	12.1	28.6
Southeast	ChildNet Broward	18.6	11.2	29.8	19.6	15.5	35.1	18.6	12.9	31.5	16.2	9.1	25.3	16.7	11.4	28.1
Southeast	ChildNet Palm Beach	16.3	13.8	30.1	16.5	9.6	26.2	15.7	9.7	25.4	13.3	11.1	24.5	13.2	9.8	23.1
Southeast	Devereux	20.8	12.9	33.7	17.9	8.5	26.4	17.3	9.4	26.7	8.8	10.1	18.9	10.9	3.8	14.7
Southern	Our Kids, Inc.	15.9	20.6	36.5	13.5	16.2	29.7	12.2	17.4	29.5	15.2	8.0	23.2	12.4	10.6	23.0
Southeast/So	uthern Regions	17.9	14.6	32.5	16.9	12.4	29.3	15.9	12.3	28.3	13.4	9.6	23.0	13.3	8.9	22.2
Stat	ewide	16.9	13.3	30.1	15.3	12.0	27.2	14.8	11.5	26.2	14.8	11.3	26.1	15.0	10.7	25.7

### Appendix E

	Children Adopted After Having Spent 30 or More Days in a Group Care within the Prior 12 Months to Adoption Finalization																				
Region	Primary Agency	Total Adoptions	"# of Eligible Children with a Group Home stay >=30 days in the prior 12 months	Children	Children Adopted	% of Total Adoptions where a Child had a Group Home stay >=30 days in the prior 12 months	Total Adoptions	"# of Eligible Children with a Group Home stay >=30 days in the prior 12 months			% of Total Adoptions where a Child had a Group Home stay >=30 days in the prior 12 months	Total Adoptions	"# of Eligible Children with a Group Home stay ≻=30 days in the prior 12 months	Children Adopted		% of Total Adoptions where a Child had a Group Home stay >=30 days in the prior 12 months	Total Adoptions	"# of Eligible Children with a Group Home stay >=30 days in the prior 12 months	# of Eligible Children Adopted	-	% of Total Adoptions where a Child had a Group Home stay >=30 days in the prior 12 months
			SFY 2	2011-2012				SFY 2	012-2013				SFY	2013-2014		<u>.</u>		SFY 2	2014-2015		
Northwest	Big Bend CBC East	50	1	0	0.0%	0.0%	69	6	2	33.3%	2.9%	46	2	2	100.0%	4.3%	52	5	5	100.0%	9.6%
Northwest	Big Bend CBC West	73	1	0	0.0%	0.0%	77	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	94	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	128	6	6	100.0%	4.7%
Northwest	Families First Network	220	8	3	37.5%	1.4%	237	10	4	40.0%	1.7%	260	14	8	57.1%	3.1%	200	6	6	100.0%	3.0%
	Northwest	343	10	3	30.0%	0.9%	383	16	6	37.5%	1.6%	400	16	10	62.5%	2.5%	380	17	17	100.0%	4.5%
Northeast	Community Partnership for Children	163	7	5	71.4%	3.1%	194	8	4	50.0%	2.1%	184	9	7	77.8%	3.8%	125	5	5	100.0%	4.0%
Northeast	Family Support Services	319	13	9	69.2%	2.8%	298	25	20	80.0%	6.7%	261	11	7	63.6%	2.7%	283	13	12	92.3%	4.2%
Northeast	Kids First of Florida, Inc.	24	4	2	50.0%	8.3%	47	3	1	33.3%	2.1%	39	2	1	50.0%	2.6%	45	2	1	50.0%	2.2%
Northeast	Partnership for Strong Families	145	9	6	66.7%	4.1%	153	6	2	33.3%	1.3%	155	3	1	33.3%	0.6%	176	0	0	0.0%	0.0%
Northeast	St. Johns County Commission	32	3	3	100.0%	9.4%	34	1	1	100.0%	2.9%	33	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	23	1	1	100.0%	4.3%
	Northeast	683	36	25	69.4%	3.7%	726	43	28	65.1%	3.9%	672	25	16	64.0%	2.4%	652	21	19	90.5%	2.9%
Central	CBC of Brevard	68	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	58	1	0	0.0%	0.0%	70	4	1	25.0%	1.4%	64	1	1	100.0%	1.6%
Central	CBC of Central Florida	241	23	15	65.2%	6.2%	196	10	2	20.0%	1.0%	182	13	6	46.2%	3.3%	169	2	0	0.0%	0.0%
Central	CBC of Seminole	31	1	0	0.0%	0.0%	29	3	1	33.3%	3.4%	17	1	0	0.0%	0.0%	41	2	2	100.0%	4.9%
Central	Heartland for Children, Inc.	140	7	4	57.1%	2.9%	140	12	9	75.0%	6.4%	144	5	4	80.0%	2.8%	135	3	3	100.0%	2.2%
Central	Kids Central, Inc.	171	11	6	54.5%	3.5%	151	12	10	83.3%	6.6%	142	7	7	100.0%	4.9%	121	7	7	100.0%	5.8%
	Central	651	42	25	59.5%	3.8%	574	38	22	57.9%	3.8%	555	30	18	60.0%	3.2%	530	15	13	86.7%	2.5%
SunCoast	Children's Network of SW Florida	126	4	2	50.0%	1.6%	140	5	1	20.0%	0.7%	113	8	3	37.5%	2.7%	105	1	1	100.0%	1.0%
SunCoast	Eckerd Community Hillsborough	290	14	11	78.6%	3.8%	292	22	12	54.5%	4.1%	128	24	16	66.7%	12.5%	287	9	7	77.8%	2.4%
SunCoast	Eckerd Community Pasco/Pinellas	321	22	16	72.7%	5.0%	331	24	16	66.7%	4.8%	91	39	26	66.7%	28.6%	361	22	20	90.9%	5.5%
SunCoast	Sarasota Family YMCA, Inc.	132	7	4	57.1%	3.0%	150	8	6	75.0%	4.0%	307	15	10	66.7%	3.3%	145	16	15	93.8%	10.3%
	SunCoast	869	47	33	70.2%	3.8%	913	59	35	59.3%	3.8%	639	86	55	64.0%	8.6%	898	48	43	89.6%	4.8%
Southeast	ChildNet Broward	193	10	5	50.0%	2.6%	174	16	7	43.8%	4.0%	142	1	0	0.0%	0.0%	183	1	1	100.0%	0.5%
Southeast	ChildNet Palm Beach	164	6	3	50.0%	1.8%	153	9	3	33.3%	2.0%	252	9	3	33.3%	1.2%	159	6	6	100.0%	3.8%
Southeast	Devereux/United for Families	117	5	2	40.0%	1.7%	109	12	10	83.3%	9.2%	395	5	4	80.0%	1.0%	149	1	0	0.0%	0.0%
Southern	Our Kids, Inc.	215	11	8	72.7%	3.7%	296	15	8	53.3%	2.7%	163	12	10	83.3%	6.1%	226	9	9	100.0%	4.0%
	Southeast-Southern	689	32	18	56.3%	2.6%	732	52	28	53.8%	3.8%	952	27	17	63.0%	1.8%	717	17	16	94.1%	2.2%

### Appendix F

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Region	Primary Agency	Total Adoptions	"# of Eligible Children with a Group Home stay >=30 days in the prior 12 months	# of Eligible Children Adopted by 6/30	Children Adopted	% of Total Adoptions where a Child had a Group Home stay >=30 days in the prior 12 months	Total Adoptions	"# of Eligible Children with a Group Home stay >=30 days in the prior 12 months		Children Adopted	% of Total Adoptions where a Child had a Group Home stay >=30 days in the prior 12 months	Total Adoptions			Children Adopted	% of Total Adoptions where a Child had a Group Home stay >=30 days in the prior 12 months	Total Adoptions	"# of Eligible Children with a Group Home stay ≻=30 days in the prior 12 months		% of Eligible Children Adopted by 6/30	% of Total Adoptions where a Child had a Group Home stay >=30 days in the prior 12 months
			SFY 2	2011-2012				SFY 2	012-2013				SFY	2013-2014	ļ			SFY 2	014-2015		
Northwest	Big Bend CBC East	50	1	0	0.0%	0.0%	69	6	2	33.3%	2.9%	46	2	2	100.0%	4.3%	52	5	5	100.0%	9.6%
Northwest	Big Bend CBC West	73	1	0	0.0%	0.0%	77	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	94	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	128	6	6	100.0%	4.7%
Northwest	Families First Network	220	8	3	37.5%	1.4%	237	10	4	40.0%	1.7%	260	14	8	57.1%	3.1%	200	6	6	100.0%	3.0%
	Northwest	343	10	3	30.0%	0.9%	383	16	6	37.5%	1.6%	400	16	10	62.5%	2.5%	380	17	17	100.0%	4.5%
Northeast	Community Partnership for Children	163	7	5	71.4%	3.1%	194	8	4	50.0%	2.1%	184	9	7	77.8%	3.8%	125	5	5	100.0%	4.0%
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Northeast	St. Johns County Commission	32	3	3	100.0%	9.4%	34	1	1	100.0%	2.9%	33	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	23	1	1	100.0%	4.3%
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Central	CBC of Seminole	31	1	0	0.0%	0.0%	29	3	1	33.3%	3.4%	17	1	0	0.0%	0.0%	41	2	2	100.0%	4.9%
Central	Heartland for Children, Inc.	140	7	4	57.1%	2.9%	140	12	9	75.0%	6.4%	144	5	4	80.0%	2.8%	135	3	3	100.0%	2.2%
Central	Kids Central, Inc.	171	11	6	54.5%	3.5%	151	12	10	83.3%	6.6%	142	7	7	100.0%	4.9%	121	7	7	100.0%	5.8%
	Central	651	42	25	59.5%	3.8%	574	38	22	57.9%	3.8%	555	30	18	60.0%	3.2%	530	15	13	86.7%	2.5%
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	Statewide	3235	167	104	62.3%	3.2%	3328	208	119	57.2%	3.6%	3218	184	116	63.0%	3.6%	3177	118	108	91.5%	3.4%

### Appendix G

	Children Adopted After Having Spent 30 or More Days in a Group Care within the Prior 12 Months to Adoption Finalization																				
Region	Primary Agency	Total Adoptions	"# of Eligible Children with a Group Home stay >=30 days in the prior 12 months		U U	% of Total Adoptions where a Child had a Group Home stay >=30 days in the prior 12 months	Total Adoptions	"# of Eligible Children with a Group Home stay >=30 days in the prior 12 months	# of Eligible Children Adopted by 6/30	Children Adopted	% of Total Adoptions where a Child had a Group Home stay >=30 days in the prior 12 months	Total Adoptions		# of Eligible Children Adopted by 6/30	Children Adopted	% of Total Adoptions where a Child had a Group Home stay >=30 days in the prior 12 months	Total Adoptions	"# of Eligible Children with a Group Home stay >=30 days in the prior 12 months	# of Eligible Children Adopted	% of Eligible Children Adopted by 6/30	% of Total Adoptions where a Child had a Group Home stay >=30 days in the prior 12 months
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Northwest	Big Bend CBC East	50	1	0	0.0%	0.0%	69	6	2	33.3%	2.9%	46	2	2	100.0%	4.3%	52	5	5	100.0%	9.6%
Northwest	Big Bend CBC West	73	1	0	0.0%	0.0%	77	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	94	0	0	0.0%	0.0%	128	6	6	100.0%	4.7%
Northwest	Families First Network	220	8	3	37.5%	1.4%	237	10	4	40.0%	1.7%	260	14	8	57.1%	3.1%	200	6	6	100.0%	3.0%
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State of Florida Department of Children and Families Rick Scott Governor

Mike Carroll Interim Secretary

September 15, 2014

Dear Adoptive Parent,

I am writing to encourage you to complete the attached survey regarding Florida's Post Adoption Services. Post adoption services include all services and staff available to you an adoptive parents, and to your adoptive child until age 18. The goal of this survey is to assess Florida's post adoption services at the local and statewide levels. The survey is divided into several types of information:

- Demographics about you and your family.
- Support groups
- Adoptive parent conferences and educational trainings.
- Services
- Post adoption services staff

We know that post adoption services are essential for adopted children and their families. As customers of the post adoption services in your community, your responses are critical in helping us assess what services are working, and what services are needed but not available in your community.

Enclosed in this letter you will find the 2014 Post Adoption Services Survey, along with a pre-paid postage envelope. After completion, please mail the survey using the pre-paid postage envelope by 11/01/2014. If you would like to complete the survey on-line please visit: <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/V5P7LML</u>

Thank you for taking the time to assist us. We very much want to hear from you, and appreciate your input. If you have any additional questions regarding the 2014 Post Adoption Survey, please contact 1-800-96-ADOPT.

Sincerely,

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### FLORIDA'S 2014 POST ADOPTION SERVICES SURVEY

Conducted by:

Florida Department of Children and Families and the Office of Adoption and Child Protection in Partnership with Florida's Post Adoption Services Staff



**INTRODUCTION:** In order to assess the quality and quantity of our post adoption services programs, we need to hear from our adoptive parents who are the true customers of post adoption services. Post adoption services include all services and staff available to you as an adoptive parent and your adopted child until the child turns age 18. Please help us by taking a little time to answer the questions below. We very much want to hear from you and appreciate your input. Please call 1-800-96ADOPT if you have questions.

The survey is divided into sections. In the first section you will be asked basic information about your family.

#### SECTION A: ADOPTIVE FAMILY'S CHARACTERISTICS

A1.	Please indicate your date of birth?			
A2.	Please indicate your gender.			
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A3.	Are you currently			
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A4.	In what city, county and state are yo	ou now living?		
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				(see codes)
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A5.	What is the highest level of schooli	ng you have co	ompleted?	
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A6. In general, how would you describe your physical health? Would you say it is ...

Excellent	1
Good	
Fair	-
Poor	

#### SECTION B: HOUSEHOLD COMPOSITION

**INTRODUCTION:** In this section, please provide general information on all the people that are living in your home.

B1. How many adults age 18 and older, including yourself, currently reside in your household?

|\_\_\_|**\_\_\_**|

#### NUMBER

B2. How many children (under age 18) currently reside in your home?

NUMBER

B3. Of the children living in your home, how many are your biological children?

NUMBER

B4. Of the children living in your home, how many were adopted?

#### NUMBER

B5. Are there any other children, under age 18, who live with you, but are temporarily somewhere else, such as living away at college?

NUMBER



### SECTION C: SUPPPORT GROUPS

**INTRODUCTION:** To help Florida DCF better understand the availability and use of support groups for adoptive families please answer the following questions:

### C1. Is there an adoptive parent support group within 30 minutes of your home?

YES	1
NO	2
DON"T KNOW	3

### C2. Did you attend an adoptive parent support group between 9/1/13 and 9/30/14?

YES	1
NO	2 (,GO TO C9)
DON"T KNOW	9 (GOTO C9)

### C3. How were you informed about the availability of the support group?

CASEWORKER	1
NEWSLETTER	2
WEBSITE	
OTHER	

#### C4. How often did you attend meetings between 9/1/13-9/30/2014?

MONTHLY	1
EVERY OTHER MONTH	2
EVERY THREE MONTHS	
OCCASIONALLY	4
BI-ANNUALY	5
ANNUALLY	6

C5. If you attended a support group between 9/1/13 and 9/30/2014, did you learn useful information from adoptive parents or guest speakers that you were able to use?

YES	1
NO	2
DON"T KNOW	9

### C6. Please indicate which information you considered helpful:



### C7. If you attended a support group between 9/1/13 and 9/30/2014, did you generally find the support group to be "supportive".

C8.	is child care provided at the support group you attended?	
DON"T	KNOW	9
		2
YES		1

YES	1
NO	2
NO	
DON'T KNOW	~
	9
	-

C9.	Is there a teen support group for adopted youth within 30 minutes of	of your home?
YES		. 1
NO		. 2
DON"T	KNOW	9

### SECTION D: ADOPTIVE PARENT EDUCATION

**INTRODUCTION:** In this section, please provide information about the educational opportunities that have been available to you as an adoptive parent.

D1. Did you attend an adoption conference or adoption training between 9/1/2012-9/30/2014?

YES	1
NO	2 (GO TO D3)
DON'T KNOW	9 (GO TO D4)

### D2. What type of adoption conference and/or training have you ever attended? (CIRCLE YES OR NO FOR EACH OPTION)

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
NORTH AMERICAN COUNCIL ON ADOPTABLE CHILDREN (NACAC)	1	2
DCF ADOPTIVE PARENT 1-DAY SATURDAY TRAINING IN JANUARY	1	2
DCF ADOPTIVE PARENT 1-DAY SATURDAY TRAINING IN MAY	1	2
LOCAL ADOPTIVE PARENT TRAINING	1	2
FLORIDA ADOPTIVE/FOSTER PARENT ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE	1	2
OTHER		
GO TO D4	•	-

## D3. Why didn't you attend any local, state, or national adoption conference or training between 9/2/2012-9/30/2014? (CIRCLE YES OR NO FOR EACH OPTION)

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
DID NOT WANT TO ATTEND	1	2
COULD NOT AFFORD TO ATTEND	1	2
DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT CONFERENCES/TRAINING	1	2
DID NOT HAVE CHILD CARE		
TOPICS BEING DISCUSSED WERE OF NO INTEREST TO ME	1	2
OTHER	1	2

Other, please specify:

.....



#### D4. Do you receive adoption newsletters?

YES	1	
	2	(GO TO D6)
	3	(GO TO D6)

D5. What topics in the newsletter are useful or are of interest to you? (CIRCLE YES OR NO FOR EACH OPTION)

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
LOCAL COMMUNITY EVENTS	1	2
LOCAL SUPPORT GROUPS	1	2
ADOPTION COMPETENT THERAPY RESOURCES	1	2
LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE UPDATES	1	2
POST ADOPTION CONTACT INFO.	1	2
CONFERENCE/TRAINING	1	2
Other,	1	2

Other, please specify:

D6. What topics would you like to see included in an adoption newsletter (CIRCLE YES OR NOFOR EACH OPTION)?

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
ADOPTION ASSISTANCE	1	2
LOCAL COMMUNITY EVENTS	1	2
LOCAL SUPPORT GROUPS	1	2
ADOPTION COMPETENT THERAPY RESOURCES	1	2
LEGAL/LEGISLATIVE UPDATES	1	2
POST ADOPTION CONTACT INFO.	1	2
CONFERENCE/TRAINING INFO	1	2
Other, SPECIFY	1	2

Other, please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

D7. Have you received any of the information listed above from your local agency/post adoption worker using of the following social media? (CIRCLE YES OR NO FOR EACH OPTION)

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
EMAIL	1	2
FACEBOOK	1	2
TWITTER	1	2
INSTAGRAM	1	2
WEBPAGE	1	2
Other	1	2

Other, please specify:



### D8. Would you like to receive information from your local agency/post adoption worker via social media? (CIRCLE YES OR NO FOR EACH OPTION)?

	<u>YEŞ</u>	<u>NO</u>
EMAIL	1	2
FACEBOOK	1	2
TWITTER	1	2
INSTAGRAM	1	2
WEBPAGE	1	2
Other, SPECIFY	1	2
	-	
Other, please specify:		

D9. Do you need more information on the following topics? (CIRCLE YES OR NO FOR EACH OPTION)?

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
MENTAL HEALTH	1	2
FAMILY RELATIONSHIP BUILDING	1	2
CHILD BEHAVIORS	1	2
MEDICAL/DENTAL/VISION SERVICES	1	2
SUPPORT GROUPS	1	2
TUITION WAIVER	1	2
MAINTENANCE ADOPTION SUBSIDY	1	2
ADOPTION REUINION REGISTRY	4	2
	1	2
MEDICAID	1	2
E. POST ADOPTION SERVICES		

- **INTRODUCTION:** Please answer the following questions related to the services that you are currently or have received for your family.
- E1 Do you feel your mental health providers understand the issues that your adopted child and family have related to adoption?

YES	1
NO	
SOME DO AND SOME DON"T	
DON'T HAVE A PROVIDER	
DON"T KNOW	
	3

E2. How many adopted children in your home are currently receiving individual counseling?

NONE
ONE CHILD
TWO CHILDREN
THREE CHILDREN
FOUR CHILDREN
MORE THAN FOUR CHILDREN

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E3. YES	Overall, do you feel the mental health provider (s) is helping the child(ren) ?
NO	
EXPLA	
E4.	Is your family currently receiving family counseling?
YES	
NO	2 (GO TO E6)
<b>E5.</b> YES	Do you feel like the family counseling service provider is helping your family?
NO	
EXPLA	

### E6. Are your adopted children involved in community activities? (CIRCLE YES OR NO FOR EACH)

	YES	NO	-
SPORTS		2	
CLUBS (at school)	1	2	
CHURCH ACTIVITIES	1	2	
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BOYS/GIRLS CLUBS	1	2	
BOY/GIRL SCOUTS	1	2	
EXERCISE (yoga, gym)	1	2	
E7. What community services are available within 30 minutes of your hor	ne?(CIR	RCLE YES OR I	<b>NO)</b>
	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	
SPORTS	1	2	
CLUBS (at school)	1	2	
CHURCH ACTIVITIES	1	2	
BOYS/GIRLS CLUBS	1	2	
BOY/GIRL SCOUTS	1	2	
EXERCISE (yoga, gym)	1	2	
MENTAL HEALTH	1	2	
MEDICAL/DENTAL/VISION SERVICES	1	2	
	1	2	
		2	
SUPPORT GROUPS	1	2	
TUTORING	1	2	
OTHER	1	2	
OTHER, PLEASE SPECIFY:			



## E8. What services might be needed but you've been unable to access or receive due to distance or location being greater than 30 minutes from your home? (CIRCLE YES OR NO)

SPORTS	1	2
CLUBS (at school)	1	2
CHURCH ACTIVITIES	1	2
BOYS/GIRLS CLUBS	1	2
BOY/GIRL SCOUTS	1	2
EXERCISE (yoga, gym)	1	2
MENTAL HEALTH	4	2
MEDICAL/DENTAL/VISION SERVICES	4	2
PHYSICAL/OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY	4	2
SUPPORT GROUPS	1	2
	1	2
	1	2
OTHER	1	2
OTHER, PLEASE SPECIFY:		

### E9. What services have you tried to access but are unable to receive? (CIRCLE YES OR NO)

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
SPORTS	1	2
CLUBS (book, French)	1	2
CHURCH ACTIVITIES	1	2
BOYS/GIRLS CLUBS	1	2
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EXERCISE (yoga, gym	1	2
MENTAL HEALTH	1	2
MEDICAL/DENTAL/VISION SERVICES	1	2
PHYSICAL/OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY	1	2
SUPPORT GROUPS	1	2
TUTORING	1	2
OTHER	1	2
OTHER, PLEASE SPECIFY:		
E10. A needed service is unavailable to me because of the following(CIRC	CLE YE	S OR NO)
	YES	NO
NO PROVIDER IN AREA	1	2
PROVIDER DOESN"T ACCEPT MEDICAID/FAMILY INSURANCE	1	2
WAITING LIST	1	2
TRANSPORTATION ISSUE	1	2
INABILITY TO PAY	1	2



#### SECTION F: POST ADOPTION WORKER

**INTRODUCTION:** The following section asks questions related to your contact with your post adoption worker.

F1.	Do you know how to contact the	local agency emergency line?	
			1
		D	2
		ON'T KNOW	
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F2.	Do you know the name of your p	ost adoption worker?	
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F3.	Do you know the phone number	of your post adoption worker?	
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F4.	Do you know the e-mail address	of your post adoption worker?	
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F5.	Do vou feel comfortable asking	your post adoption worker for help?	•
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F7.	When you last contacted your p	ost adoption worker did he/she call	you within 2 business days?
YES			1
NEVE	R CONTACTED POST ADOPTION	MORKER	3
F9.	Between 9/1/13-9/30/2014, was a	n abuse or neglect investigation co	nducted on your family?
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#### Did the post-adoption worker contact you to discuss the investigation report? F10.

YES	1
NO	2 (GO TO F12)
DON'T KNOW	9 (GO TO F12)

#### What did the post adoption worker call you to discuss regarding investigation? F11.

MORAL SUPPORT	. 1
SERVICE REFERRALS	
EXPLAIN INVESTIGATION PROCESS	
OTHER,	

OTHER, PLEASE SPECIFY: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Is there a service or support that you want your post adoption worker to provide that is currently F12. not being provided (CIRCLE YES OR NO FOR EACH OPTION)?

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	
IN HOME VISITS	1	2	
RETURN CALLS WITHIN 2 BUSNESS DAYS	1	2	1
INFORM ME ABOUT A CHANGE TO A NEW WORKER	1	2	
ATTEND SUPPORT GROUP MEETING		2	
UPDATE ME ON LOCAL SERVICES	1	2	
UPDATE ME ON CHANGES TO MEDICAID	1	2	
UPDATE ME ON CONFERENCES/TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES		2	
OTHER,	1	2	
OTHER, PLEASE SPECIFY			

Thank you very much for your help with this important survey! This is an anonymous survey, but if you would like someone to contact you, in order for you to provide additional input about questions or concerns you may have about the post adoption services program or how to improve this survey, please document your email address and/or telephone number below and someone will contact you to discuss your concerns: Your name is optional.

NAME (OPTIONAL): \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_\_TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

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