



Through the Eyes of the Child: Safety, Permanency, and Wellbeing

8th District CHIPS Specialization Workshop

Friday, October 27, 2017

Kandiyohi County Health and Human Services
2200 23rd St. NE, Willmar, MN 56201

8:30 – 8:45

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1. Welcome, Overview of Specialization Project, and Overview of Goals of Workshop
Hon. Jennifer Fischer, CHIPS Specialization Judge

8:45 – 10:00

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2. 12-Month Permanency Timeline
Judy Nord, Staff Attorney, State Court Administration
 - Timeline purpose and key events
 - Legally permissible exceptions for extending timeline
 - Strategies for ensuring timelines are met
 - Required judicial findings

10:00 – 10:15

Break

10:15 – 11:30

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3. Reasonable and Active Agency Efforts
Devon Gilchrist, Foster Care Policy Specialist, Minn. Dept. of Human Services
 - Case planning requirements and goals
 - Agency efforts to assess services
 - Determining progress on case plan
 - Social worker reports to the court
 - Content and timing of required findings

11:30 – 12:15

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Working Lunch

- Instructions for afternoon – applying what you've learned
- Individual review of Scenario 1 and respond to questions
- Move to breakout location by 12:15

12:15 – 1:00

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4. Stakeholder Groups Breakout: Discuss Scenario 1 responses

1:00 – 1:30

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5. Large Group: Discuss themes from Scenario 1

1:30 – 2:30

1.00 standard

6. Multidisciplinary Groups Breakout: Review Scenario 2 and respond to questions

2:30 – 2:45

Break

2:45 – 3:15

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7. Large Group: Discuss themes from Scenario 2

3:15 – 3:45

8. Parking Lot Questions

3:45 – 4:00

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9. Wrap Up and Next Steps
Hon. Jennifer Fischer, CHIPS Specialization Judge
 - Local CJI Team meetings to continue discussions
 - ICWA training

4:00

10. Adjourn

