

New Hampshire Division for Children, Youth and Families' Glossary



Defined Terms E-F



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The following terms are defined for application to Policies and Standard Operating Procedures of the Division for Children, Youth and Families. Unless otherwise identified within a document, these meanings are intended.

| Term | Definition | Acronym |
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| Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment | means the Medicaid program that provides a comprehensive array of prevention, diagnostic, and treatment services for low-income infants, children and adolescents under age 21, as specified in Section 1905(r) of the Social Security Act (the Act). | EPDST |
| Educational | means learning experiences designed to expand the learner's conceptual grasp and theoretical base of job skills. They may be internal or external in origin and delivery. | |
| Educational Supervision | means the activities of the Supervisor, including case management functions, which are directed toward helping staff learn what they need to know to fulfill their job responsibilities as part of the agency's commitment as a learning organization. This includes: helping new staff understand the job and develop beginning competence; maintaining an ongoing emphasis on developing staff proficiency to complete critical functions of the work; and assisting staff in their career planning and continued professional growth. | |
| Educational Surrogate Parent | means a person appointed to act as a child's advocate in place of the child's biological parent(s), adoptive parent(s), or guardian(s) in the educational decision-making process. See: RSA 186-C:14 II(b). | |
| Educational Transportation Services | means the transportation of children from their residence or other setting to their school placement and back to their residence or other setting as approved by DCYF. | |
| Eligible Student | means a student who has reached 18 years of age or is attending an institution of postsecondary education. See: 20 USC 1232g(d). | |

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| Emergency 911 Responder | means a person who is trained to provide the services of a fire department, police department, or ambulance or rescue unit. | |
| Emergency Care | means that category of foster family care where an unplanned placement is made in a foster family home and services are provided to a child in care on a regular 24-hour a day basis for a period not to exceed 10 days. | |
| Emergency Medical Services | means a specifically trained emergency response team that provides treatment to illnesses and injuries that require urgent medical attention (also known as ambulance or paramedic services). | EMS |
| Employee Assistance Program | means the confidential and voluntary services available to all State of New Hampshire employees and their families to address issues that may affect their well-being. | EAP |
| Encourage Peers, Inspire Change | means the voluntary peer support team, comprised of DCYF staff specifically trained to provide emotional support to their colleagues. | EPIC |
| Enhanced Response | means a differential response requiring CPS staff to utilize systematic practices including increased contacts with family and providers to mitigate potential danger. | |
| Escape | means the unlawful departure of a lawfully confined person from official custody. A person is guilty of a felony offense if they escape from the official custody of an arresting officer, a penal institution, an institution for confinement of juvenile offenders or other confinement pursuant to an order of a court. See: RSA 642:6. | |
| Escapee | means a youth who has made an unauthorized flight from SYSC or the Division's custody to which they have been committed by the court. | |
| Exigent Circumstances | means any set of temporary and unforeseen circumstances that require immediate action in order to combat a threat to the security or institutional order of a facility. | |
| Exit Staffing | means the transition meeting for a youth in preparation of release from SYSC on parole. | |
| Expedited Placement Decision or Regulation 7 | means that the Court has determined that priority should be given to the ICPC placement of a child who meets certain criteria of hardship and a home evaluation must be completed within 20 days. | |

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| Extended Care Services | means temporary assistance to young adults who request DCYF services and who are willing to commit and work on a transitional plan to independence and adulthood. | |
| Extended Jurisdiction | means that a court may retain jurisdiction over any youth, who prior to their 18th birthday, is under the care custody and control of the Division for Children, Youth and Families should that youth agree to remain under the supervision of the Division. | |
| Extended Work Hours or Extended-Hours | means, for the purpose of this policy, hours worked outside the JPPO's regularly scheduled hours. | |
| External | means any agency or an individual that is not employed by DCYF. | |
| Family | means one or more adults related by marriage or living together with children related by blood, marriage, or adoption who reside in the same household. When 2 unrelated families reside in the same household, both families' incomes are considered. | |
| Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act | means the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 as amended in 2001. | FERPA |
| Family Level Objective | is a statement of what the family will do to safely accomplish the high-risk everyday life event(s). The Family Level Objective refers to the tasks, plans, or arrangements that the whole family can and will do to improve the overall safety and security of the family. Family Level Objectives cover issues like keeping the house clean, child supervision, or proper nutrition. | FLO |
| Family Resource and Support | means community-based, in-home support services for families and children who are at risk of abuse and neglect, funded through the Social Services Block Grant. | FRS |
| Family Services Case | means the planned provision of services and supports to address the challenges that have resulted in child maltreatment, managed by a CPSW in collaboration with the family through a non-court agreement or through court ordered interventions. | |
| Family Support Services | means the purchase of family support services or other items for which no other funding mechanism or resource is available. | |
| Family Therapy | means evidenced-informed treatment involving family members and a therapist when treatment is focused on ameliorating conditions that impair family functioning. | |

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| Family Violence Prevention Specialist | means an advocate contracted through a local crises center to work primarily with DCYF as a liaison, consultant, and support to victims of domestic violence. | FVPS |
| Family/Youth Engagement | means an approach to involving families/youth in a respectful, collaborative process of identifying family/youth strengths and determining needs. The family/youth is engaged as a partner in achieving goals and working toward identified outcomes. | |
| Family/Youth Risk Factors | refers to family/youth risk information derived from the application of recognized tools and during previous contacts with the child and family that identifies the behaviors and/or actions that present risks to the child and family. | |
| Family/Youth Strengths | refers to information derived from the application of recognized tools and during previous contacts with the child and family that are used to systematically identify the behaviors, skills, abilities, and resources that supports their healthy functioning. | |
| Federal Financial Participation | means the percentage of costs that the federal government will pay for certain services and/or activities. | FFP |
| Federal Fiscal Year | means between October 1st and September 30th. | FFY |
| Field Office | means any District Office to include any DCYF itinerate or satellite office. | |
| Focal Treatment Plan | means Form 2130, the written, time-limited, goal-oriented, therapeutic plan developed by the youth, family, and the treatment team which include strategies to address assessed focal areas of behavior that brought the youth into secure placement and is consistent with rehabilitative and restorative practices. | FTP |
| Formal Relative Placement | means an individual who has a relative child placed in their home and has complied with the formal DCYF process and completed a written agreement to be a court-ordered placement. | |
| Formal Training | means a planned presentation of a specific topic by a designated person in a group setting at a time and place arranged by a sponsoring organization, such as that provided by the Education and Training Partnership, colleges or universities, the Foster and Adoptive Parent Association, conferences, hospitals, and the Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) and/or Parent Teacher Association (PTA). This may be face-to-face or online. | |

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| Foster and Adoptive Care Essentials | means the basic pre-service education offered to prospective foster/adoptive and relative caregivers. FACES consists of a 21 hour curricula designed to promote a better understanding and awareness of the New Hampshire child welfare system and DCYF's work with children and families. The primary purpose of FACES is to provide the required pre-service hours for foster care licensure while helping prospective caregivers develop the knowledge and skills to be professional caregivers, partners, and team members. | FACES |
| Foster Care | means the supervised 24-hour substitute care of a child placed away from their parent or legal guardian for whom the State has placement and care responsibility. This includes family foster homes, relative homes, pre-adoptive homes, shelters, and residential treatment programs. | |
| Foster Care Candidate | means a child who is at serious risk of removal from the home as evidenced by DCYF either pursuing their removal from the home or making reasonable efforts to prevent such removal. | |
| Foster Care Health Program | means the DCYF program that coordinates the health care of children in foster family homes and relative homes. | |
| Foster Care Program | means a licensed child-placing agency which recruits, trains and licenses and supervises foster family homes and provides parental care in a licensed foster family home on a regular, 24 hour a day, residential basis. | |
| Foster Family Fire and Safety | means the provision of funds for fire prevention, safety equipment, and inspection fees that will enable foster care providers to meet fire and health inspection standards to maintain their license. | |
| Foster Family Home | means a licensed resource home in which placement, care, and a family experience are provided for children who cannot be safely cared for in their own home or by a relative. | |
| Foster Parent | means an individual who has a license or permit for foster family care and who provides temporary substitute parental care for a child or children under an agreement with a licensed or approved child-placing agency. | |
| Founded, Court Action | means a determination by the court, either after a hearing or pursuant to a consent decree, that a child has been found to be abused or neglected through a preponderance of evidence. | |

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| Founded Determination | means a specific allegation of child abuse or neglect where the Department has determined that there is a preponderance of the evidence to believe that a child has been abused or neglected: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Founded, Court Action; 2. Founded, Problem Resolved; or 3. Founded, Services Only. | |
| Founded, Problem Resolved | means a determination by DCYF that there is a preponderance of evidence to believe that the child has been abused or neglected and that the presenting danger has been resolved through the provision of services, supports, or other interventions to protect the child and there are no ongoing safety concerns for the child. | |
| Founded Report | means a report of child abuse or neglect where DCYF has made one or more determinations, that there is a preponderance of the evidence for a specific allegation that a child has been abused or neglected. | |
| Founded, Services Only or Non-Court Agreement | means an agreement between the CPSW and the person responsible for the child abuse or neglect in which the parties agree that the report is founded, the responsible party waives their right to an appeal, the responsible party's name will be placed on the state's Central Registry of founded reports of abuse and neglect, and DCYF will provide services to the family to address the identified maltreatment. | |
| Fugitive or Fugitive From Justice | means a person who has concealed themselves or fled a given jurisdiction to avoid prosecution or confinement. | |
| Furlough | means when a youth is allowed to leave SYSC and return home or to their community for a temporary period of time. | |

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