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2008 Survey Reports

This is one of four separate documents that present aspects of the 2008 Survey of foster parents and relative caregivers in Washington State. Below is a brief description of the contents of each report:

- **Braam Outcomes Report 08-045**

This report presents an introduction to the purpose of the survey, provides an overview of the survey methods, and describes the calculation of nine specific Braam Panel outcomes. The report presents the results for all licensed and unlicensed caregivers and for the six DSHS regions.

- **Appendix to the Braam Outcomes Report**

The appendix to the Braam outcomes report includes the detailed data tables and survey results that were used in the calculation of the nine specific outcomes.

- **SESRC Data Report 08-044**

This report is a compilation of the survey methods and survey results and includes a copy of the telephone interview questionnaire, the letter mailed to foster parents and relative caregivers, and other survey materials. This report includes the final sample disposition, and the results for every question in the survey for licensed and unlicensed caregivers.

- **Appendix to the SESRC Data Report**

The appendix to the survey data report includes a frequency tabulation of all survey questions for all survey respondents. There are also separate sections for frequency tabulations of all survey questions for licensed caregivers, and for unlicensed caregivers.

Profile

Title:	Braam Outcomes for the 2008 Survey of Foster Parents and Relative Caregivers in Washington State
Abstract:	This report presents the results of the outcome calculations for the 2008 survey of foster parents and relative caregivers in Washington State. The SESRC has contracted to conduct an annual, independent, statistically valid, anonymous telephone survey of foster parents and relative caregivers in Washington State for the DSHS Children's Administration. The main purpose of the survey is to obtain information that is helpful to all areas of the Braam Settlement. In developing the survey design, questionnaire, and procedures, the SESRC consulted with the Braam Oversight Panel, the Washington State Foster Parent's Association, the Children's Administration (CA) Youth Advisory Group, and the foster parent liaisons. The telephone survey began on May 12, 2008 and continued through July 3, 2008, with a random sample of 3,000 foster parents and relative caregivers throughout Washington State. A total of 1,350 interviews were conducted from this sample.
Method:	The survey methods included mailing a letter to a random sample of 3,000 foster parents and relative caregivers prior to the start of the telephone calling. Telephone interviews were then attempted with as many people as could be reached during the survey period. SESRC made use of a computer assisted telephone interview (CATI) system, and a call scheduler to ensure that up to 10 call attempts were made to reach each respondent. The telephone interview averaged 28 minutes in length.
Results:	The SESRC completed a total of 1,350 interviews over the 8-week calling period. The cooperation rate for the telephone interview was 82%. The overall response rate was 69%; with a sample error of $\pm 2.6\%$.
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I. SURVEY DESIGN

Study Background and Survey Objectives

The SESRC designed and conducted an independent, statistically valid, anonymous telephone survey of foster parents and relative caregivers in Washington State. This is the **second year** for this survey which is to be conducted annually for the Braam Oversight Panel. This second survey was conducted in 2008 and asked foster parents about their experiences during calendar year 2007.

The main purpose of the survey is to obtain information that is helpful to all areas of the Braam Settlement Agreement related to caregivers' work with foster children and associated outcomes and action steps. * The foster parent survey addresses all areas of the Braam Settlement Agreement: placement stability, mental health, foster parent training and information, unsafe and inappropriate placements, sibling separation, and services to adolescents. Several types of questions are included in the survey:

- Monitoring- Certain questions in the foster parent survey are being used by the Braam Oversight Panel to monitor Children's Administration's progress toward nine of the outcomes specified in the Braam Implementation Plan. ** These specific questions are used to calculate outcome data as described in the document entitled "Braam Outcomes for the 2008 Survey of Foster Parents and Caregivers in Washington State" and the accompanying appendix.

- Informational- Numerous items within the foster parent survey are related to the goals of the Braam Settlement Agreement, but will not be used by the Braam Panel to monitor compliance with the agreement. In these areas, these data will be used by Children's Administration, providers, and stakeholders to better understand the experiences of foster parents and inform practice improvement. Data on all questions in the foster parent survey are provided in the document entitled "2008 Survey of Foster Parents and Caregivers in Washington State."

- Demographic and background information- The foster parent survey includes a number of demographic and background questions.

In developing the original survey design, questionnaire, and procedures, the SESRC consulted with the Braam Oversight Panel, the Foster Parent Association of Washington State (FPAWS), the Children's Administration (CA), foster parent liaisons, and the Braam Survey Advisory Group. The survey questionnaire was extensively reviewed by foster parents, Braam Panel members, Children's Administration staff, and Braam plaintiffs' attorneys, to ensure that it would provide adequate measures of specific Braam Panel outcomes over time.

* The Braam Settlement Agreement is available online at the website below:

** The Braam Implementation Plan is also available online at this website:

<http://www.braampanel.org>

Population and Sample

The population for this survey is all foster parents and relative caregivers who have cared for a child or children placed in state custody in Washington State. The sampling frame for this survey is the list of all foster parents and relative caregivers maintained by the State of Washington in April 2008.

The sample plan was designed to represent all six DSHS regions in proportion to their representation in all of Washington State. The sample includes both active and inactive caregivers, and those licensed through private agencies and those licensed through the state. The sample also includes those who are unlicensed relative caregivers and registered with the state. The sample is stratified by active and inactive status for foster parents and relative caregivers so that separate estimates can be calculated for each (see Table 1).

Table 1. Foster Parent and Relative Caregiver Sample Plan

<i>Survey Populations by Region (as of 4-16-08)</i>							
Region	DLR FP	Private FP	Active RC	Active Totals	Inactive FP	RC	Combined Totals
1	701	124	811	1636	223	478	2337
2	381	190	519	1090	145	350	1585
3	467	254	1015	1736	231	523	2490
4	388	344	876	1608	257	425	2290
5	346	520	716	1582	206	395	2183
6	826	195	759	1780	320	483	2583
Total	3109	1627	4696	9432	1382	2654	13468

<i>Random Proportional Sample by Region and Type</i>							
Region	DLR FP	Private FP	Active RC	Active Totals	Inactive FP		Combined Totals
1	192	28	217	437	63		500
2	107	58	148	313	38		351
3	118	71	270	459	73		532
4	123	85	255	463	67		530
5	100	155	187	442	55		497
6	225	51	224	500	90		590
Total	865	448	1301	2614	386		3000

<i>Final Number of Completed Telephone Interviews</i>							
Region	DLR FP	Private FP	Active RC	Active Totals	Inactive FP	Combined Totals	Max SE*
1	118	20	94	232	11	243	6.1%
2	75	32	62	169	8	177	7.1%
3	71	36	101	208	19	227	6.3%
4	65	51	75	191	9	200	6.8%
5	58	85	68	211	9	220	6.4%
6	142	32	88	262	21	283	5.6%
Total	529	256	488	1273	77	1350	2.6%
Max SE*	4.0%	5.7%	4.3%	2.6%	11.1%	2.6%	

*SE = Sample Error at 95% Confidence Level

II. SURVEY IMPLEMENTATION AND PROCEDURES

Survey Procedures

Several procedures were implemented that helped to build a rapport with respondents and to ensure that respondents felt comfortable with the survey. Information about the survey was placed on the BRAAM website and the DSHS website just as the survey data collection period was getting underway. The SESRC telephone Interviewers were provided with a "Frequently Asked Questions" reference sheet to help answer questions that foster parents may have about the survey. An advance letter was sent to all foster parents in the sample approximately one week before the beginning of telephone interviews. The purpose of the advance letter was to let foster parents know that a SESRC interviewer would be calling and to inform them about the topic of the survey. The Spanish language version of the advance letter was printed on the reverse side in order to accommodate those respondents who primarily speak Spanish. A toll-free 800-telephone number that foster parents could call in to ask questions about the survey was maintained during the calling period.

A particular concern for this survey was to put in place safeguards to guarantee confidentiality of survey responses and anonymity in survey results. To ensure that survey respondents cannot be identified from their survey responses the SESRC follows federal guidelines for protection of human subjects and maintains the survey dataset in a secure location at SESRC. The survey dataset is not being released unless there is prior written approval from the Braam Oversight Panel.

Telephone Interviews. The calling on the full study commenced after the training on May 13, 2008 and calling was completed on July 3, 2008. The average number of call attempts across all cases was increased to 15. Call attempts were made at different times of the day and on different days of the week in order to maximize the likelihood of reaching respondents. At least 3 evening call attempts were made and two daytime call attempts. At least one call attempt was made on the weekend. If an interviewer called at an inconvenient time for the respondent, the interviewer attempted to schedule a specific time to re-contact the household for an interview. If an answering machine was encountered, interviewers were instructed to leave a scripted answering machine message. If a message was left, the case was held for three days and then called on again. Only one AM message was left per case.

Almost 17,000 calls were made during the survey period to complete the 1350 interviews. The average length for a completed interview was 28 minutes. Interviewers made an average of eleven call attempts per hour during the calling period and one interview was completed approximately every one and one-third hours on average.

Response Rates

Of the 3,000 telephone numbers that were included in the random sample 1,350 people participated in the survey for a cooperation rate of 82% and a response rate of 69%. Both of these rates are better than was achieved in the first year of this survey. The cooperation rate indicates the percent of people who are contacted for an interview that agree to participate in the survey. The response rate indicates the percent of people in the total sample, minus the ineligible respondents, that participate in the survey. The calculation of both measures is based on the suggested definitions and procedures

defined by the American Association for Public Opinion Research (AAPOR). A total of 597 could never be completed because the numbers were disconnected and no other number could be identified. Only 288 people refused to participate in the survey, and 283 were counted ineligible because the respondent said they had not been foster parents or relative caregivers during 2007. Another 460 did not answer the phone or were not contactable because of an answering machine, and there were 22 additional non-interview cases because of language or because the respondent was deceased.

That current phone numbers were not available for foster parents and caregivers is not an indication that DSHS is unable to contact children and youth in out-of-home care. Explanations for the non-working and missing phone numbers include that the caregivers may have discontinued providing care since 2007 and their phone numbers had changed, phone numbers may have changed between the time the sample was pulled and the caregiver was called, or the numbers could have been misdialed or entered incorrectly into the CAMIS database.

SESRC returned nonworking numbers to Children's Administration so these numbers could be checked and corrected. Since the completion rate for the survey was higher than expected, SESRC did not request these numbers to be returned for further calling. When the Children's Administration received the list of numbers that were incorrect or not entered into the system from SESRC, they provided all of the names of foster parents and kinship caregivers *where there was currently a child in the home* to the child's social worker. They asked for correct phone numbers to be provided in a very short time frame. They received phone numbers for all of the caregivers *who currently had a child in the home* from the social workers. When the caregiver was a foster parent, the licenser was then asked to confirm the changed number.

The cooperation rate and the response rate achieved in this study are higher than last year's rates and are higher than what is generally achieved in public opinion surveys. These high rates reflect what our telephone interviewers experienced in conducting the telephone interviews – that foster parents and relative caregivers were highly interested in the survey and in offering their views on the issues addressed in the survey. The high cooperation and response rate are also due to the efforts of the SESRC data collection supervisors and interviewers in contacting respondents at various times throughout the day and on various days throughout the week during the survey period to ensure that people who were not at home would still have an opportunity to participate in the survey.

This high response rate ensures that the survey results are truly representative of the population of all foster parents and relative caregivers in Washington State.

Sample Error

Sample error is a measure of the degree to which a randomly selected sample of respondents represents the population from which it is drawn, at a given level of confidence (usually 95%). The survey sample was designed to ensure that the maximum sample error for licensed caregivers and for unlicensed caregivers was no larger than plus or minus 5%, and for regional results was no larger than plus or minus 10% at a 95% confidence level. The survey achieved and exceeded these objectives. The maximum sample error for the entire survey of 1,350 respondents is no larger than plus or minus 2.6%. This means that we can have 95% confidence that sample results do not deviate from the population of all caregivers in the state by more than 2.6% for questions with two response categories and 1,350 respondents. Sample errors vary for each question, with the result dependent on the number of response categories, the population size, and the number of respondents answering the question.

Study Limitations

- If respondents had a child they considered medically fragile in their home, they were asked to respond to questions after Q40 with respect to that child. This was a deliberate design decision made by the survey workgroup to ensure that information about a sufficient number of medically fragile children would be obtained in the survey, given the relatively small number of medically fragile children in the foster care system. However, because children with significant medical needs were over-sampled, this may have had an impact on results of questions in other areas (such as the child's visitation and placement with siblings or the preparedness of the caregiver).
- Although respondents all had children in their home who were in the custody of the state in 2007, some of the caregivers may also have had children for whom they had become guardians in their home. There was no direction to the caregivers not to answer questions after Q40 about these children. Although the survey made it clear that caregivers were to answer questions about the foster child in their home, and guardianships represent a relatively small percent of all placements, it is possible that some caregivers may have responded to the survey using a child in a guardianship as the reference child. If so, this may have influenced the results (e.g., number of contacts between the child and his/her social worker).
- Certain terms used in the interviews (e.g., "medically fragile" and "temporary or emergency care") were not defined in the interview. SESRC interviewers are required to note any requests for definitions or difficulties that respondents have with any terms. A review of these notes indicates that caregivers did not ask interviewers for clarifications of the terms "medically fragile" and "temporary or emergency care" and believed that they understood the meaning of these terms. However, because a standard definition of these terms was not provided, respondents may have interpreted these questions differently, which could have resulted in inconsistencies.
- C.1.5 The interview did not offer a definition for "medically fragile."
- D.1.6 CA policy currently requires monthly visits for all children in out-of-home care. These visits include individual and private time with the child to discuss the child's situation. For children who are non-verbal, this individual and private part of the monthly visit is not expected.

III. OUTCOME MEASUREMENT

Introduction

A number of specific questions in the foster parent survey are being used by the Braam Oversight Panel to monitor Children's Administration's progress toward the following nine outcomes specified in the Braam Implementation Plan:

Outcomes related to Foster Parent Training and Information (note: pursuant to the Braam Implementation Plan, these measures apply to licensed caregivers only):

- C 1.1 Percentage of caregivers reporting adequate training for their roles and responsibilities (including but not limited to emotional, behavioral, developmental, medical, educational advocacy, birth parents and cultural competency).
- C 1.2 Percentage of caregivers reporting adequate support for their roles and responsibilities, by region and for the state as a whole (including but not limited to crisis support, timely notification about case planning meetings, and cultural competency resources).
- C 1.3 Percentage of caregivers reporting adequate provision of information about the needs of children placed with them, by region and for the state as a whole (including but not limited to behavioral, medical, developmental and educational needs).

Outcomes related to Unsafe and Inappropriate Placements (applies to both licensed and unlicensed caregivers):

- C 1.5 Percentage of medically fragile children connected to appropriate and ongoing medical care and placed with caregivers who receive consultation and training regarding their caretaking responsibilities for the medical condition.
- D 1.3 Children identified as sexually aggressive (SAY) pursuant to the statutory definition will be placed with caregivers who have received specialized training and have a plan developed to address safety and supervision issues.
- D 1.4 Children identified as physically assaultive (PAY) pursuant to the statutory definition will be placed with caregivers who have received specialized training and have a plan developed to address safety and supervision issues.
- D 1.6 Percentage of children receiving a private and individual face-to-face visit from the caseworker for each full placement month.

Outcomes related to Mental Health (applies to both licensed and unlicensed caregivers):

- B 4.1 Each child will receive behavioral health services from the same individual provider

Outcomes related to Sibling Separation (applies to both licensed and unlicensed caregivers):

- E 2.1 Percentage of children placed apart from their siblings who have two or more monthly visits or contacts (not including staffing meetings or court events) with some or all of their siblings.

This report describes which survey questions are included in each Braam outcome, and how the survey responses enter into the calculation of each outcome. The outcome measurement and calculation is done at the request of the Braam Panel and after discussion with all stakeholders in the Braam Settlement Agreement.

There are four guiding principles in the development of these outcome measures:

- (1) that the measurement is done accurately;
- (2) that it is fair to all stakeholders;
- (3) that it be reliable;
- (4) that the calculation be easily understood and explainable to others.

Methodology

The procedure for obtaining an outcome measurement has six basic steps:

- (1) Identify the relevant survey questions for each outcome.
- (2) Code all responses to each question to be included in a outcome, as being:
 - In compliance
 - Out of compliance
 - Not applicable
- (3) Obtain the frequency of each code for every question in the outcome, and calculate averages for those questions to be combined.
- (4) Calculate the outcome for each question according to the following formula:

$$\frac{\# \text{ In compliance}}{\# \text{ In compliance} + \# \text{ Out of compliance}}$$

- (5) Calculate the reliability and/or the margin of error.
- (6) Calculate the outcome for subgroups and regions:
 - Active foster parents
 - Inactive foster parents
 - Relative caregivers
 - Six regions

Decision Rules

The following pages summarize the outcomes results, and also describe the calculation of each of the nine Braam outcomes and the questions included in the measurement of each outcome. Detailed information about the questions included in the calculations is included in the appendix to this report.

Notes to the Calculations

- Survey questions asked about experiences in the year 2007, and all outcomes are based on survey results for 2007.
- Results are presented separately for licensed and unlicensed caregivers, since some outcomes only apply to licensed caregivers, and others apply to all caregivers.
- While the total number of survey respondents is 1,350 some questions did not apply to some foster parents and relative caregivers. Thus, the total number of responses to any specific question will be less than 1,350 and in some cases much less.
- The data tables for the outcome measures in this report only show the number of survey respondents that are “in” compliance with the outcome and those that are “out” of compliance with the outcome. The number of respondents for whom the outcome did not apply, or that missed the question is not shown because this can be determined by subtracting the total in each data table from the total number of survey respondents (1,350).
- Most outcomes have screening questions to make sure that they are applied only to the relevant caregivers. These screening questions and the survey data are described in the calculation of each outcome measure.
- For outcome C.1.2 there is one question (Q78) that was not factored into the outcome for the year 2006, because the related policy was not yet in place. In subsequent years, including the current survey, this question will be used in calculating the outcome.
- Outcomes C.1.1, C.1.2, and C.1.3 apply only to licensed caregivers. Thus, for **these three outcomes** the % in compliance in the overall summary results (page 9) and the results for all caregivers by region (page 11) is limited to only **licensed** caregivers.
- The calculation of the outcome for C.1.3 is limited caregivers with placements in 2007. The Braam Panel has agreed that only cases for which placement with the current caregiver occurred during 2007 (or applicable period) will be factored into this outcome.

Overall Summary Results

Outcome	% In Compliance
C.1.1 Percentage of <u>licensed caregivers</u> reporting adequate training for their role responsibilities (including but not limited to emotional, behavioral, developmental, medical, educational advocacy, birth parents and cultural competency).	86.4%
C.1.2 Percentage of <u>licensed caregivers</u> reporting adequate support for their roles and responsibilities, by region and for the state as a whole (including but not limited to crisis support, timely notification about case planning meetings, and cultural competency resources).	75.6%
C.1.3 Percentage of <u>licensed caregivers</u> reporting adequate provision of information about the needs of children placed with them, by region and for the state as a whole (including but not limited to behavioral, medical, developmental and educational needs).	72.4%
C.1.5 Percentage of medically fragile children connected to appropriate and ongoing medical care and placed with caregivers who receive consultation and training regarding their caretaking responsibilities for the medical condition.	75.1%
D.1.3 Children identified as sexually aggressive (SAY) pursuant to the statutory definition will be placed with caregivers who have received specialized training and have a plan developed to address safety and supervision issues.	55.0%
D.1.4 Children identified as physically assaultive (PAY) pursuant to the statutory definition will be placed with caregivers who have received specialized training and have a plan developed to address safety and supervision issues.	44.7%
D.1.6 Percentage of children receiving a private and individual face-to-face visit from the caseworker for each full placement month.	43.2%
B.4.1 Each child will receive behavioral health services from the same individual provider.	88.8%
E.2.1 Percentage of children placed apart from their siblings who have two or more monthly visits or contacts (not including staffing meetings or court events) with some or all of their siblings.	52.4%

**Results for Licensed Caregivers
 And Unlicensed Caregivers**

Outcome	% In Compliance	
	Licensed Caregivers	Unlicensed Caregivers
C.1.1 Percentage of <u>licensed caregivers</u> reporting adequate training for their role responsibilities (including but not limited to emotional, behavioral, developmental, medical, educational advocacy, birth parents and cultural competency).	86.4%	71.2%
C.1.2 Percentage of <u>licensed caregivers</u> reporting adequate support for their roles and responsibilities, by region and for the state as a whole (including but not limited to crisis support, timely notification about case planning meetings, and cultural competency resources).	75.6%	74.7%
C.1.3 Percentage of <u>licensed caregivers</u> reporting adequate provision of information about the needs of children placed with them, by region and for the state as a whole (including but not limited to behavioral, medical, developmental and educational needs).	72.4%	70.4%
C.1.5 Percentage of medically fragile children connected to appropriate and ongoing medical care and placed with caregivers who receive consultation and training regarding their caretaking responsibilities for the medical condition.	77.9%	69.6%
D.1.3 Children identified as sexually aggressive (SAY) pursuant to the statutory definition will be placed with caregivers who have received specialized training and have a plan developed to address safety and supervision issues.	57.5%	38.5%
D.1.4 Children identified as physically assaultive (PAY) pursuant to the statutory definition will be placed with caregivers who have received specialized training and have a plan developed to address safety and supervision issues.	51.2%	14.8%
D.1.6 Percentage of children receiving a private and individual face-to-face visit from the caseworker for each full placement month.	40.7%	47.6%
B.4.1 Each child will receive behavioral health services from the same individual provider.	86.6%	93.5%
E.2.1 Percentage of children placed apart from their siblings who have two or more monthly visits or contacts (not including staffing meetings or court events) with some or all of their siblings.	51.0%	55.2%

Results for All Caregivers by Region

Outcome	% In Compliance By Region					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
C.1.1 Adequate Training of Licensed Caregivers	83.6%	90.4%	87.9%	88.3%	83.1%	86.4%
C.1.2 Adequate Support of Licensed Caregivers	75.3%	77.0%	75.2%	73.6%	74.6%	77.3%
C.1.3 Adequate Information for Licensed Caregivers	69.6%	77.2%	79.3%	69.8%	74.9%	67.6%
C.1.5 Medically Fragile Care	78.8%	74.6%	70.4%	75.0%	78.3%	73.4%
D.1.3 Sexually Aggressive Youth	52.4%	50.0%	72.7%	40.0%	55.0%	55.6%
D.1.4 Physically Assaultive Youth	30.0%	60.0%	45.0%	33.3%	51.9%	45.5%
D.1.6 Monthly Caseworker Visits	45.0%	42.9%	43.7%	40.7%	37.1%	48.3%
B.4.1 Behavioral Health Services	90.9%	88.2%	83.7%	90.3%	92.5%	87.7%
E.2.1 Sibling Visits and Contact	53.3%	55.3%	56.1%	43.6%	52.9%	52.0%

*Outcomes C.1.1, C.1.2, and C.1.3 apply only to licensed caregivers. Thus, for these outcomes the % in compliance is limited to only licensed caregivers.

Results for Licensed Caregivers by Region

Outcome	% In Compliance By Region					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
C.1.1 Adequate Training of Licensed Caregivers	83.6%	90.4%	87.9%	88.3%	83.1%	86.4%
C.1.2 Adequate Support of Licensed Caregivers	75.3%	77.0%	75.2%	73.6%	74.6%	77.3%
C.1.3 Adequate Information for Licensed Caregivers	69.6%	77.2%	79.3%	69.8%	74.9%	67.6%
C.1.5 Medically Fragile Care	79.1%	76.6%	73.6%	76.9%	83.7%	77.9%
D.1.3 Sexually Aggressive Youth	47.4%	57.1%	66.7%	66.7%	62.5%	57.7%
D.1.4 Physically Assaultive Youth	39.1%	63.6%	42.9%	50.0%	58.3%	50.0%
D.1.6 Monthly Caseworker Visits	40.9%	39.3%	40.3%	39.3%	33.1%	48.3%
B.4.1 Behavioral Health Services	89.3%	88.0%	76.0%	91.3%	89.3%	86.0%
E.2.1 Sibling Visits and Contact	50.0%	54.0%	61.4%	41.8%	49.3%	50.6%

Results for Unlicensed Caregivers by Region

Outcome	% In Compliance By Region					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
C.1.1 Adequate Training of Licensed Caregivers	74.1%	78.0%	65.7%	71.4%	61.0%	77.2%
C.1.2 Adequate Support of Licensed Caregivers	74.7%	73.6%	76.6%	73.3%	73.5%	75.6%
C.1.3 Adequate Information for Licensed Caregivers	67.8%	70.5%	77.5%	58.8%	67.1%	77.7%
C.1.5 Medically Fragile Care	78.4%	66.7%	64.3%	72.7%	64.7%	65.9%
D.1.3 Sexually Aggressive Youth	100%	0%	100%	0%	25.0%	0%
D.1.4 Physically Assaultive Youth	0%	33.3%	50%	0%	0%	0%
D.1.6 Monthly Caseworker Visits	51.1%	49.2%	47.9%	43.1%	45.5%	48.2%
B.4.1 Behavioral Health Services	93.8%	88.9%	94.4%	87.5%	100%	92.9%
E.2.1 Sibling Visits and Contact	60.6%	57.7%	48.8%	47.8%	60.0%	55.6%

IV. CALCULATION OF OUTCOMES

C.1.1 Percentage of licensed caregivers reporting adequate training for their role responsibilities (including but not limited to emotional, behavioral, developmental, medical, educational advocacy, birth parents and cultural competency).

This outcome is measured by one question (Q27). This question asks foster parents to think about **all** of their training in the last three years and comment on its adequacy. It should be noted that although Q27 asks foster parents to consider only their training within the past three years, the outcome does not include this time limitation.

According to the Implementation Plan, this outcome applies to all licensed caregivers including foster parents and relative caregivers.

For the purposes of calculating this outcome, responses of “already prepared” and “have not had training” are counted as not applicable.

Outcome Results

Q27 *Overall, thinking about ALL of the training that you have had in the last three years, how adequately has it prepared you to care for the needs of foster children placed in your home? Would you say . . .*

Q27 Overall, thinking about ALL of the training that you have had in the last three years, how adequately has it prepared you to care for the needs of foster children placed in your home? * BQ27 Outcome Crosstabulation

Count		BQ27 Outcome		
		In	Out	Total
Q27 Overall, thinking about ALL of the training that you have had in the last three years, how adequately has it prepared you to care for the needs of foster children placed in your home?	VERY ADEQUATELY	259	0	259
	SOMEWHAT ADEQUATELY	463	0	463
	SOMEWHAT INADEQUATELY	0	78	78
	OR VERY INADEQUATELY	0	36	36
Total		722	114	836

C.1.1 Outcome Summary

Type	Region	In	Out	Total	% Compliance
Licensed Caregivers	1	122	24	146	83.6%
	2	103	11	114	90.4%
	3	109	15	124	87.9%
	4	106	14	120	88.3%
	5	123	25	148	83.1%
	6	159	25	184	86.4%
Total		722	114	836	86.4%
Unlicensed Caregivers	1	43	15	58	74.1%
	2	32	9	41	78.0%
	3	44	23	67	65.7%
	4	30	12	42	71.4%
	5	25	16	41	61.0%
	6	44	13	57	77.2%
Total		218	88	306	71.2%
Overall Combined		940	202	1142	82.3%

C.1.2 Percentage of licensed caregivers reporting adequate support for their roles and responsibilities, by region and for the state as a whole (including but not limited to crisis support, timely notification about case planning meetings, and cultural competency resources).

This outcome measure combines a total of seven questions: Q89, Q93, Q94, Q96, Q57, Q58, and Q78, but some questions are averaged so that equal weight is given to each of the four subsections of this outcome: support, cultural competency support, quality of help and support from the agency and social worker, and timely notification about case planning meetings. According to the Implementation Plan, this outcome applies to licensed relative and non-relative caregivers.

*Note: The results for Q78 were not factored into the outcome in last year's results (2007), because the related policy was not yet in place in 2006. Q78, is however included in the current year's outcome calculation.

Outcome Results

Q89 The last time you had a crisis or emergency related to your role as a foster parent, and asked the agency for help, did you get a timely response? * BQ89 Outcome Crosstabulation

Count		BQ89 Outcome		
		In	Out	Total
Q89 The last time you had a crisis or emergency related to your role as a foster parent, and asked the agency for help, did you get a timely response?	YES, RIGHT AWAY	196	0	196
	YES, BUT IT TOOK AWHILE	105	0	105
	OR NO	0	59	59
Total		301	59	360

Q93 How supportive is the agency in helping you deal with cultural or ethnic issues? * BQ93 Outcome Crosstabulation

Count		BQ93 Outcome		
		In	Out	Total
Q93 How supportive is the agency in helping you deal with cultural or ethnic issues?	VERY SUPPORTIVE	352	0	352
	SOMEWHAT SUPPORTIVE	259	0	259
	SOMEWHAT UNSUPPORTIVE	0	38	38
	OR VERY UNSUPPORTIVE	0	35	35
Total		611	73	684

Q94 Overall, how satisfied are you with the quality of help and support provided by this child's social worker in 2007? * BQ94 Outcome Crosstabulation

Count		BQ94 Outcome		
		In	Out	Total
Q94 Overall, how satisfied are you with the quality of help and support provided by this child's social worker in 2007?	VERY SATISFIED	372	0	372
	SOMEWHAT SATISFIED	234	0	234
	SOMEWHAT DISSATISFIED	0	98	98
	OR VERY DISSATISFIED	0	107	107
Total		606	205	811

Q96 Overall, how satisfied are you with the quality of help and support provided by the agency in 2007? * BQ96 Outcome Crosstabulation

Count		BQ96 Outcome		
		In	Out	Total
Q96 Overall, how satisfied are you with the quality of help and support provided by the agency in 2007?	VERY SATISFIED	311	0	311
	SOMEWHAT SATISFIED	301	0	301
	SOMEWHAT DISSATISFIED	0	116	116
	OR VERY DISSATISFIED	0	83	83
Total		612	199	811

Q57 In 2007, how often did the agency notify you about court hearings for this child at least 10 working days prior to court hearings? * BQ57 Outcome Crosstabulation

Count		BQ57 Outcome		
		In	Out	Total
Q57 In 2007, how often did the agency notify you about court hearings for this child at least 10 working days prior to court hearings?	ALWAYS	275	0	275
	MOST OF THE TIME	162	0	162
	ABOUT HALF THE TIME	0	60	60
	RARELY	0	78	78
	NEVER	0	88	88
Total		437	226	663

Q58 In 2007, how often did the agency advise you that you would have an opportunity to be heard at these hearings? * BQ58 Outcome Crosstabulation

Count		BQ58 Outcome		
		In	Out	Total
Q58 In 2007, how often did the agency advise you that you would have an opportunity to be heard at these hearings?	ALWAYS	283	0	283
	MOST OF THE TIME	94	0	94
	ABOUT HALF THE TIME	0	40	40
	RARELY	0	83	83
	OR NEVER	0	152	152
Total		377	275	652

Q78 During 2007 did you receive timely notification at least 5 days prior, about shared case planning meetings? * BQ78 Outcome Crosstabulation

Count		BQ78 Outcome		
		In	Out	Total
Q78 During 2007 did you receive timely notification at least 5 days prior, about shared case planning meetings?	ALWAYS	295	0	295
	MOST OF THE TIME	128	0	128
	ABOUT HALF THE TIME	0	62	62
	RARELY	0	81	81
	OR NEVER	0	207	207
Total		423	350	773

C.1.2 Outcome Calculation:

Question #	A In Compliance	B Out of Compliance	C Total
Q89	301	59	360
Q93	611	73	684
Q94	606	205	811
Q96	612	199	811
Average of Q57 & Q58 & Q78	$(437+377+423)/3$ =412	$(226+275+350)/3$ =284	696
Totals	2542	820	3362

C.1.2 Outcome Summary:

Type	Region	In	Out	Total	% Compliance
Licensed Caregivers	1	450	147	597	75.3%
	2	357	107	463	77.0%
	3	372	122	494	75.2%
	4	345	123	468	73.6%
	5	444	151	594	74.6%
	6	576	169	745	77.3%
Total		2542	820	3362	75.6%
Unlicensed Caregivers	1	269	91	360	74.7%
	2	174	62	236	73.6%
	3	290	89	378	76.6%
	4	215	78	293	73.3%
	5	191	69	260	73.5%
	6	247	80	327	75.6%
Total		1385	469	1854.7	74.7%
Overall Combined		3928	1289	5217	75.3%

C.1.3 Percentage of licensed caregivers reporting adequate provision of information about the needs of children placed with them, by region and for the state as a whole (including but not limited to behavioral, medical, developmental, and educational needs).

This outcome measure combines a total of eight questions: Q59, Q61, Q64, Q60, Q62, Q65, Q63A, and 63B and all questions are given equal weight. Questions refer to information provided to the caregiver at the time of placement. For some foster parents this will have been earlier than the year we are assessing. (In future years of the survey, these questions will be restricted to only those foster parents whose children were placed with them during the year being assessed.) *Thus, the Panel has agreed that only cases for which placement with the current caregiver occurred during 2007 (or applicable period) will be factored into the outcome.* According to the Implementation Plan, this outcome applies to licensed caregivers only.

This outcome is restricted to only those foster parents whose children were placed with them in 2007. Questions related to children’s developmental needs (Q63A& 63B) were added for the survey covering 2007 based on revisions to the Implementation Plan.

C.1.3 Outcome Results

Q42Y YEAR - In what month and year was this child placed in your home?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	1989	1	.1	.1	.1
	1990	1	.1	.1	.2
	1991	3	.2	.2	.4
	1992	1	.1	.1	.5
	1993	3	.2	.2	.7
	1994	3	.2	.2	.9
	1995	3	.2	.2	1.2
	1996	4	.3	.3	1.5
	1997	6	.4	.5	1.9
	1998	7	.5	.5	2.5
	1999	7	.5	.5	3.0
	2000	7	.5	.5	3.6
	2001	10	.7	.8	4.3
	2002	23	1.7	1.8	6.1
	2003	39	2.9	3.0	9.1
	2004	70	5.2	5.4	14.6
	2005	165	12.2	12.8	27.3
2006	319	23.6	24.7	52.1	
2007	612	45.3	47.4	99.5	
2008	7	.5	.5	100.0	
	Total	1291	95.6	100.0	
Missing	Don't know	16	1.2		
	System	43	3.2		
	Total	59	4.4		
Total		1350	100.0		

Q59 You were provided adequate information about this child's health needs in 2007? * BQ59 Benchmark Crosstabulation

Count		BQ59 Benchmark		
		In	Out	Total
Q59 You were provided adequate information about this child's health needs in 2007?	Strongly Agree	342	0	342
	Somewhat Agree	117	0	117
	Somewhat Disagree	0	59	59
	Strongly Disagree	0	66	66
Total		459	125	584

Q61 You were provided adequate information about this child's education needs in 2007? * BQ61 Benchmark Crosstabulation

Count		BQ61 Benchmark		
		In	Out	Total
Q61 You were provided adequate information about this child's education needs in 2007?	Strongly Agree	155	0	155
	Somewhat Agree	60	0	60
	Somewhat Disagree	0	33	33
	Strongly Disagree	0	44	44
Total		215	77	292

Q64 You were provided adequate information about this child's behavioral needs in 2007? * BQ64 Benchmark Crosstabulation

Count		BQ64 Benchmark		
		In	Out	Total
Q64 You were provided adequate information about this child's behavioral needs in 2007?	Strongly Agree	310	0	310
	Somewhat Agree	110	0	110
	Somewhat Disagree	0	44	44
	Strongly Disagree	0	88	88
Total		420	132	552

Q60 Did you receive health information for this child within 30 days after this child was placed in your home? * BQ60 Benchmark Crosstabulation

Count		BQ60 Benchmark		Total
		In	Out	
Q60 Did you receive health information for this child within 30 days after this child was placed in your home?	Yes	420	0	420
	No	0	155	155
Total		420	155	575

Q62 Did you receive information about this child's education history or needs within 30 days after this child was placed in your home? * BQ62 Benchmark Crosstabulation

Count		BQ62 Benchmark		Total
		In	Out	
Q62 Did you receive information about this child's education history or needs within 30 days after this child was placed in your home?	Yes	186	0	186
	No	0	108	108
Total		186	108	294

Q65 Did you receive information about this child's behavioral problems or substance abuse issues within 30 days after he or she was placed in your home? * BQ65 Benchmark Crosstabulation

Count		BQ65 Benchmark		Total
		In	Out	
Q65 Did you receive information about this child's behavioral problems or substance abuse issues within 30 days after he or she was placed in your home?	Yes	365	0	365
	No	0	183	183
Total		365	183	548

Q63A You were provided adequate information about this child's developmental needs in 2007? * BQ63A Benchmark Crosstabulation

Count		BQ63A Benchmark		Total
		In	Out	
Q63A You were provided adequate information about this child's developmental needs in 2007?	Strongly Agree	80	0	80
	Somewhat Agree	52	0	52
	Somewhat Disagree	0	24	24
	Strongly Disagree	0	30	30
Total		132	54	186

Q63B Did you receive information about this child's developmental history or needs within 30 days after this child was placed in your home? * BQ63B Benchmark Crosstabulation

Count		BQ63B Benchmark		Total
		In	Out	
Q63B Did you receive information about this child's developmental history or needs within 30 days after this child was placed in your home?	Yes	108	0	108
	No	0	76	76
Total		108	76	184

C.1.3 Outcome calculation:

Question #	A In Compliance	B Out of compliance	C Total
Q59	293	89	382
Q61	139	52	191
Q64	285	84	369
Q60	274	105	379
Q62	122	69	191
Q65	263	101	364
Q63A	95	35	130
Q63B	74	55	129
Totals	1545	590	2135

C.1.3 Outcome Summary

Type	Region	In	Out	Total	% Compliance
Licensed Caregivers	1	279	122	401	69.6%
	2	227	67	294	77.2%
	3	207	54	261	79.3%
	4	176	76	252	69.8%
	5	304	102	406	74.9%
	6	352	169	521	67.6%
Total		1545	590	2135	72.4%
Unlicensed Caregivers	1	154	73	227	67.8%
	2	110	46	156	70.5%
	3	158	46	204	77.5%
	4	90	63	153	58.8%
	5	102	50	152	67.1%
	6	146	42	188	77.7%
Total		760	320	1080	70.4%
Overall Combined		2305	910	3215	71.7%

C.1.5 Percentage of medically fragile children connected to appropriate and ongoing medical care and placed with caregivers who receive consultation and training regarding their caretaking responsibilities for the medical condition.

This outcome has two screen questions (Q33 and Q38). Only foster parents who answer “yes” that they were caring for a child identified by the agency as “medically fragile” (Q33) are included in the calculation for this outcome measure. Q38 is a second screen question. Foster parents who answer “no” or “not sure” that they needed medical care for this child in 2006, are considered “in compliance” if Q35 is “yes.” Foster parents who answer “yes” to Q38, must also answer “yes” to Q39 to be considered in compliance.

C.1.5 Outcome Results

Q33 In 2007, were you caring for a child identified by the agency as 'medically fragile'

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Yes	259	19.2	19.7	19.7
	No	1056	78.2	80.3	100.0
	Total	1315	97.4	100.0	
Missing	Refused	4	.3		
	Don't know	23	1.7		
	System	8	.6		
	Total	35	2.6		
Total		1350	100.0		

Q35 Did you receive preparation and consultation to adequately care for (this/these) medically fragile (child/children)?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Yes	144	10.7	56.9	56.9
	No	109	8.1	43.1	100.0
	Total	253	18.7	100.0	
Missing	Refused	1	.1		
	Don't know	5	.4		
	System	1091	80.8		
	Total	1097	81.3		
Total		1350	100.0		

Q35 Did you receive preparation and consultation to adequately care for (this/these) medically fragile (child/children)? * Q38 In 2007 did you need medical care for (this/these) (child/children)? Crosstabulation

Count		Q38 In 2007 did you need medical care for (this/these) (child/children)?		
		Yes	No	Total
Q35 Did you receive preparation and consultation to adequately care for (this/these) medically fragile (child/children)?	Refused	1	0	1
	Don't know	5	0	5
	Yes	126	18	144
	No	100	9	109
Total		232	27	259

Q39 In 2007 were you connected to ongoing and appropriate medical care for (this/these) (child/children)? * Q38 In 2007 did you need medical care for (this/these) (child/children)? Crosstabulation

Count		Q38 In 2007 did you need medical care for (this/these) (child/children)?	
		Yes	Total
Q39 In 2007 were you connected to ongoing and appropriate medical care for (this/these) (child/children)?	Yes	220	220
	No	12	12
Total		232	232

Q35 Did you receive preparation and consultation to adequately care for (this/these) medically fragile (child/children)? * BQ35 Benchmark Crosstabulation

Count		BQ35 Benchmark		Total
		In	Out	
Q35 Did you receive preparation and consultation to adequately care for (this/these) medically fragile (child/children)?	Yes	144	0	144
	No	0	109	109
Total		144	109	253

Q39 In 2007 were you connected to ongoing and appropriate medical care for (this/these) (child/children)? * BQ39 Benchmark
Crosstabulation

Count		BQ39 Benchmark		
		In	Out	Total
Q39 In 2007 were you connected to ongoing and appropriate medical care for (this/these) (child/children)?	Yes	220	0	220
	No	0	12	12
Total		220	12	232

C.1.5 Outcome Calculation:

Question #	A In Compliance	B Out of Compliance	C Total
Q35	144	109	253
Q39	220	12	232
Totals	364	121	485

C.1.5 Outcome Summary:

Type	Region	In	Out	Total	% Compliance
Licensed Caregivers	1	53	14	67	79.1%
	2	36	11	47	76.6%
	3	39	14	53	73.6%
	4	30	9	39	76.9%
	5	36	7	43	83.7%
	6	53	15	68	77.9%
Total		247	70	317	77.9%

Unlicensed Caregivers	1	29	8	37	78.4%
	2	8	4	12	66.7%
	3	18	10	28	64.3%
	4	24	9	33	72.7%
	5	11	6	17	64.7%
	6	27	14	41	65.9%
Total		117	51	168	69.6%

Overall Combined		364	121	485	75.1%
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C.1.5 Combined Licensed & Unlicensed

Region	In	Out	Total	% Compliance
1	82	22	104	78.8%
2	44	15	59	74.6%
3	57	24	81	70.4%
4	54	18	72	75.0%
5	47	13	60	78.3%
6	80	29	109	73.4%
Total	364	121	485	75.1%

D.1.3 Children identified as sexually aggressive (SAY) pursuant to the statutory definition will be placed with caregivers who have received specialized training and have a plan developed to address safety and supervision issues.

This outcome, as well as the related foster parent survey questions and decision rules, have been significantly revised for the survey covering 2007.

For SAY, Q115 is a screen question. Only foster parents who answer "yes" that a child identified by the agency as sexually aggressive was placed into their home in 2007 are included in the calculation of this outcome. Answers to both Q114 and Q118 must be YES to be considered in compliance

D.1.3 Outcome Results:

QR115 Was a child identified by the agency as sexually aggressive placed into your home during 2007?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Yes	100	7.4	7.8	7.8
	No	1185	87.8	92.2	100.0
	Total	1285	95.2	100.0	
Missing	Refused	4	.3		
	Don't know	9	.7		
	System	52	3.9		
	Total	65	4.8		
Total		1350	100.0		

QR114 Have you received specialized training to care for a child identified as sexually aggressive, sometimes referred to as S-A-Y? * QR118 Did the plan meet the safety and supervision needs of the children in your home? Crosstabulation

Count		QR118 Did the plan meet the safety and supervision needs of the children in your home?		
		Yes	No	Total
QR114 Have you received specialized training to care for a child identified as sexually aggressive, sometimes referred to as S-A-Y?	Yes	55	5	60
	No	8	1	9
Total		63	6	69

D.1.3 Outcome Calculation:

QR115 Was a child identified by the agency as sexually aggressive placed into your home during 2007? * BQSAY Benchmark Crosstabulation

Count		BQSAY Benchmark		
		In	Out	Total
QR115 Was a child identified by the agency as sexually aggressive placed into your home during 2007?	Yes	55	45	100
Total		55	45	100

D.1.3 Outcome Summary:

Type	Region	In	Out	Total	% Compliance
Licensed Caregivers	1	9	10	19	47.4%
	2	8	6	14	57.1%
	3	6	3	9	66.7%
	4	2	1	3	66.7%
	5	10	6	16	62.5%
	6	15	11	26	57.7%
Total		50	37	87	57.5%
Unlicensed Caregivers	1	2	0	2	100.0%
	2	0	2	2	0.0%
	3	2	0	2	100.0%
	4	0	2	2	0.0%
	5	1	3	4	25.0%
	6	0	1	1	0.0%
Total		5	8	13	38.5%
Overall Combined		55	45	100	55.0%

D.1.3 Combined Licensed & Unlicensed

Region	In	Out	Total	% Compliance
1	11	10	21	52.4%
2	8	8	16	50.0%
3	8	3	11	72.7%
4	2	3	5	40.0%
5	11	9	20	55.0%
6	15	12	27	55.6%
Total	55	45	100	55.0%

D.1.4 Children identified as physically assaultive (PAY) pursuant to the statutory definition will be placed with caregivers who have received specialized training and have a plan developed to address safety and supervision issues.

This outcome, as well as the related foster parent survey questions and decision rules, have been significantly revised for the survey covering 2007.

For PAY, Q110 is a screen question. Only foster parents who answer “yes” that a child identified by the agency as physically assaultive was placed into their home in 2007 are included in the calculation of this outcome. Answers to both Q109 and Q113 must be YES to be considered in compliance

D.1.4 Outcome Results:

QR110 Was a child identified by the agency as physically assaultive or physically aggressive placed into your home during 2007?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Yes	150	11.1	11.7	11.7
	No	1135	84.1	88.3	100.0
	Total	1285	95.2	100.0	
Missing	Refused	4	.3		
	Don't know	9	.7		
	System	52	3.9		
	Total	65	4.8		
	Total	1350	100.0		

QR109 Have you received specialized training to care for a child identified as physically assaultive or physically aggressive, sometimes referred to as P-A-Y? * QR113 Did the plan meet the safety and supervision needs of the children in your home? Crosstabulation

Count		QR113 Did the plan meet the safety and supervision needs of the children in your home?		
		Yes	No	Total
QR109 Have you received specialized training to care for a child identified as physically assaultive or physically aggressive, sometimes referred to as P-A-Y?	Yes	67	6	73
	No	15	1	16
Total		82	7	89

D.1.4 Outcome Calculation:

QR110 Was a child identified by the agency as physically assaultive or physically aggressive placed into your home during 2007? * BQPAY Benchmark Crosstabulation

Count		BQPAY Benchmark		
		In	Out	Total
QR110 Was a child identified by the agency as physically assaultive or physically aggressive placed into your home during 2007?	Yes	67	83	150
Total		67	83	150

D.1.4 Outcome Summary:

Type	Region	In	Out	Total	% Compliance
Licensed Caregivers	1	9	14	23	39.1%
	2	14	8	22	63.6%
	3	6	8	14	42.9%
	4	5	5	10	50.0%
	5	14	10	24	58.3%
	6	15	15	30	50.0%
Total		63	60	123	51.2%
Unlicensed Caregivers	1	0	7	7	0.0%
	2	1	2	3	33.3%
	3	3	3	6	50.0%
	4	0	5	5	0.0%
	5	0	3	3	0.0%
	6	0	3	3	0.0%
Total		4	23	27	14.8%
Overall Combined		67	83	150	44.7%

D.1.4 Combined Licensed & Unlicensed

Region	In	Out	Total	% Compliance
1	9	21	30	30.0%
2	15	10	25	60.0%
3	9	11	20	45.0%
4	5	10	15	33.3%
5	14	13	27	51.9%
6	15	18	33	45.5%
Total	67	83	150	44.7%

D.1.6 Percentage of children receiving a private and individual face-to-face visit from the caseworker for each full placement month.

Q53. *In 2007, about how often did this child's social worker <SW INITIALS> have a private and individual face-to-face visit with this child (either at home or outside of the home)? Would you say . . .*

This outcome only has one question (Q53).

D.1.6 Outcome Results:

Q53 In 2007, about how often did this child's social worker have a private and individual face-to-face visit with this child either at home or outside of the home? * BQ53 Outcome Crosstabulation

Count		BQ53 Outcome		
		In	Out	Total
Q53 In 2007, about how often did this child's social worker have a private and individual face-to-face visit with this child either at home or outside of the home?	SEVERAL TIMES A MONTH	176	0	176
	ABOUT ONCE A MONTH	371	0	371
	ABOUT EVERY OTHER MONTH	0	117	117
	ABOUT EVERY THREE MONTHS	0	218	218
	ABOUT EVERY SIX MONTHS	0	66	66
	ONCE IN THE WHOLE YEAR	0	76	76
	OR NEVER IN 2007	0	241	241
Total		547	718	1265

D.1.6 Outcome Summary:

Type	Region	In	Out	Total	% Compliance
Licensed Caregivers	1	56	81	137	40.9%
	2	42	65	107	39.3%
	3	48	71	119	40.3%
	4	46	71	117	39.3%
	5	46	93	139	33.1%
	6	86	92	178	48.3%
Total		324	473	797	40.7%
Unlicensed Caregivers	1	47	45	92	51.1%
	2	30	31	61	49.2%
	3	45	49	94	47.9%
	4	31	41	72	43.1%
	5	30	36	66	45.5%
	6	40	43	83	48.2%
Total		223	245	468	47.6%
Overall Combined		547	718	1265	43.2%

D.1.6 Combined Licensed & Unlicensed

Region	In	Out	Total	% Compliance
1	103	126	229	45.0%
2	72	96	168	42.9%
3	93	120	213	43.7%
4	77	112	189	40.7%
5	76	129	205	37.1%
6	126	135	261	48.3%
Total	547	718	1265	43.2%

B.4.1 Each child will receive behavioral health services from the same individual provider.

Q71. During 2007, did the same clinician or team of clinicians provide services to this child/your foster child or did this child/your foster child experience a change in clinicians or treatment teams?

This outcome has a screen question (Q68). Only foster parents who answer “yes” that during 2007 this child received mental health services are included in the calculation of this outcome.

An additional question (Q72) related to whether the foster parent feels that the change in clinician or treatment team was necessary to improve/maintain quality of care has been added to the calculation of this outcome for the survey addressing 2007.

B.4.1 Outcome Results:

Q68 Did this child receive these mental health treatment or substance abuse services?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Yes	254	66.1	95.5	95.5
	No	12	3.1	4.5	100.0
	Total	266	69.3	100.0	
Missing	System	118	30.7		
Total		384	100.0		

Q71 During 2007, did the same clinician or team of clinicians provide services to this child or did this child experience a change in clinicians or treatment teams?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	The same clinician/treatment team	181	13.4	72.7	72.7
	Different clinicians/treatment teams	68	5.0	27.3	100.0
	Total	249	18.4	100.0	
Missing	Refused	1	.1		
	Don't know	4	.3		
	System	1096	81.2		
	Total	1101	81.6		
Total		1350	100.0		

Q72 In your opinion was this change in clinician or team of clinicians necessary to maintain or improve the quality of care for this child/your foster child?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Yes	40	3.0	58.8	58.8
	No	28	2.1	41.2	100.0
	Total	68	5.0	100.0	
Missing	System	1282	95.0		
Total		1350	100.0		

Q71 During 2007, did the same clinician or team of clinicians provide services to this child? * BQ71 Outcome Crosstabulation

Count		BQ71 Outcome		
		In	Out	Total
Q71 During 2007, did the same clinician or team of clinicians provide services to this child?	The same clinician/treatment team	181	0	181
	Different clinicians/treatment teams	40	28	68
Total		221	28	249

B.4.1 Outcome Summary:

Type	Region	In	Out	Total	% Compliance
Licensed Caregivers	1	25	3	28	89.3%
	2	22	3	25	88.0%
	3	19	6	25	76.0%
	4	21	2	23	91.3%
	5	25	3	28	89.3%
	6	37	6	43	86.0%
Total		149	23	172	86.6%
Unlicensed Caregivers	1	15	1	16	93.8%
	2	8	1	9	88.9%
	3	17	1	18	94.4%
	4	7	1	8	87.5%
	5	12	0	12	100.0%
	6	13	1	14	92.9%
Total		72	5	77	93.5%
Overall Combined		221	28	249	88.8%

B.4.1 Combined Licensed & Unlicensed

Region	In	Out	Total	% Compliance
1	40	4	44	90.9%
2	30	4	34	88.2%
3	36	7	43	83.7%
4	28	3	31	90.3%
5	37	3	40	92.5%
6	50	7	57	87.7%
Total	221	28	249	88.8%

E.2.1 Percentage of children placed apart from their siblings who have two or more monthly visits or contacts (not including staffing meetings or court events) with some or all of their siblings.

Q128. In a typical month in 2007, how often did this child have visits and other forms of contact with their siblings? Would you say . . .

This outcome has three screen questions (Q125, Q126 and Q127). Only foster parents who indicate that the child has a sister or brother ("yes" to Q125), who was not placed in the foster parent's home in 2007 ("no" to Q126), and for whom contact was not disallowed by DCFS or the court ("no" to Q127) are included in the calculation of this outcome.

Compliance is based on a total of two or more monthly visits or contacts. Responses are considered in compliance if there were two or more visits per month (Q128), two or more other forms of contact per month (Q128B), or through a combination of visits and contacts (combination of Q128 and Q128B).

E.2.1 Outcome Results:

Q125 Does this child have a sister or brother, where 'this child' is <Q40M1><Q40M2>?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Yes	968	71.7	75.4	75.4
	No	315	23.3	24.6	100.0
	Total	1283	95.0	100.0	
Missing	Refused	2	.1		
	Don't know	13	1.0		
	System	52	3.9		
	Total	67	5.0		
Total		1350	100.0		

Q126 In 2007, were all siblings of this child placed in your home?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Yes	289	21.4	29.9	29.9
	No	679	50.3	70.1	100.0
	Total	968	71.7	100.0	
Missing	System	382	28.3		
Total		1350	100.0		

Q127 In 2007, did DCFS or the court tell you not to allow visits or contact between the child and his/her siblings?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	Yes	83	6.1	12.3	12.3
	No	592	43.9	87.7	100.0
	Total	675	50.0	100.0	
Missing	Refused	1	.1		
	Don't know	3	.2		
	System	671	49.7		
	Total	675	50.0		
Total		1350	100.0		

Q128 In a typical month in 2007, how often did this child have visits with their siblings? * Q128B In a typical month in 2007, how often did this child have other forms of contact with their siblings, but not including staffing meetings or court events? Crosstabulation

Count

		Q128B In a typical month in 2007, how often did this child have other forms of contact with their siblings, but not including staffing meetings or court events?									
		Ref	Don't know	NOT AT ALL	LESS THAN ONCE A MONTH	ONCE A MONTH	TWICE A MONTH	THREE TIMES A MONTH	FOUR TIMES A MONTH	OR MORE THAN 4 TIMES A MONTH	Total
Q128	Don't know	1	6	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	11
	NOT AT ALL	0	2	123	7	5	3	0	0	5	145
	LESS THAN ONCE A MONTH	0	0	45	54	11	7	0	4	5	126
	ONCE A MONTH	0	0	19	14	33	5	4	2	8	85
	TWICE A MONTH	0	0	14	2	6	21	3	3	7	56
	THREE TIMES A MONTH	0	0	7	2	1	1	6	0	1	18
	FOUR TIMES A MONTH	0	1	20	4	4	2	2	20	7	60
	OR MORE THAN 4 TIMES A MONTH	1	3	15	2	2	3	1	5	62	94
Total		2	12	245	85	62	43	16	34	96	595

* Cells shaded in dark are not included in the calculation.
 Cells shaded more lightly are considered not in compliance.
 All other unshaded cells are considered to be in compliance.

Q128 Visits with siblings? * Q128B Other forms of contact with siblings? Crosstabulation

Count			Q128B In a typical month in 2007, how often did this child have other forms of contact with their siblings, but not including staffing meetings or court events?									
BQ	Ref	Don't know	NOT AT ALL	LESS THAN ONCE A MONTH	ONCE A MONTH	TWICE A MONTH	THREE TIMES A MONTH	FOUR TIMES A MONTH	OR MORE THAN 4 TIMES A MONTH	Total		
In	Q128 In a typical month in 2007, how often did this child have visits with their siblings?	Don't know	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	
		NOT AT ALL	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	5	8	
		LESS THAN ONCE A MONTH	0	0	0	0	7	0	4	5	16	
		ONCE A MONTH	0	0	0	0	33	5	4	2	8	52
		TWICE A MONTH	0	0	14	2	6	21	3	3	7	56
		THREE TIMES A MONTH	0	0	7	2	1	1	6	0	1	18
		FOUR TIMES A MONTH	0	1	20	4	4	2	2	20	7	60
		OR MORE THAN 4 TIMES A MONTH	1	3	15	2	2	3	1	5	62	94
Total	1	4	56	10	46	43	16	34	96	306		
Out	Q128 In a typical month in 2007, how often did this child have visits with their siblings?	NOT AT ALL		123	7	5					135	
		LESS THAN ONCE A MONTH			45	54	11				110	
		ONCE A MONTH			19	14	0				33	
		Total			187	75	16				278	

E.2.1 Outcome Summary:

Type	Region	In	Out	Total	% Compliance
Licensed Caregivers	1	37	37	74	50.0%
	2	27	23	50	54.0%
	3	35	22	57	61.4%
	4	23	32	55	41.8%
	5	33	34	67	49.3%
	6	44	43	87	50.6%
Total		199	191	390	51.0%
Unlicensed Caregivers	1	20	13	33	60.6%
	2	15	11	26	57.7%
	3	20	21	41	48.8%
	4	11	12	23	47.8%
	5	21	14	35	60.0%
	6	20	16	36	55.6%
Total		107	87	194	55.2%
Overall Combined		306	278	584	52.4%

E.2.1 Combined Licensed & Unlicensed

Region	In	Out	Total	% Compliance
1	57	50	107	53.3%
2	42	34	76	55.3%
3	55	43	98	56.1%
4	34	44	78	43.6%
5	54	48	102	52.9%
6	64	59	123	52.0%
Total	306	278	584	52.4%



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