

Children's Administration
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Annual Performance Report

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Ratio of Licensed Foster Care Beds to Children in Foster Care	Placement Stability, Goal 1, Outcome 1	Average monthly ratio of licensed foster care beds to children in licensed foster care.	2.0	2.7 (FY11) 2.6 (FY10)	Yes	4
Placement Stability -Two or Fewer Placements	Placement Stability, Goal 1, Outcome 2	Percentage of children who experience two or fewer placements during their current episode of out-of-home care (based on percentage of children entering care during the two previous fiscal years with 2 or fewer placements, with time-in-care specifications based on entry year).	90%	91.4% (FY11) 89.3% (FY10)	Yes	7
Caseloads At or Below 18 Cases	Placement Stability, Goal 1, Outcome 3	Percentage of social workers providing services to one or more children in out of home care under CA Placement and Care Authority with caseloads at or below Council on Accreditation (COA) standards (18 child cases per worker).	90%	73.4% (FY11) 72.2% (FY10)	No	10
Child Health & Education Tracking (CHET) Screens - Overall Completion	Mental Health, Goal 1, Outcome 2	Percentage of children in out-of-home care 45 days or longer that have a Child Health and Education Tracking (CHET) screen completed and documented within 30 days of entering care.	90%	91% (FY11) 78.0% (FY10)	Yes	13
Adequate Foster Parent Training	Foster Parent Training and Information, Goal 1, Outcome 1	Percentage of licensed caregivers who report adequate training for their roles and responsibilities.	90%	87.8% (FY11) 85.2% (FY10)	No	16
Adequate Foster Parent Support	Foster Parent Training and Information, Goal 1, Outcome 2	Percentage of licensed caregivers who report adequate support for their roles and responsibilities.	90%	79.2% (FY11) 76.6% (FY10)	No	19
Adequate Foster Parent Information	Foster Parent Training and Information, Goal 1, Outcome 3	Percentage of licensed caregivers who report adequate provision of information about the needs of children placed with them.	90%	82.0% (FY11) 81.8% (FY10)	No	22
Adequate Safeguards for Sexually Aggressive Youth (SAY)	Unsafe and Inappropriate Placements, Goal 1, Outcome 3	Percentage of children identified as sexually aggressive (SAY) pursuant to the definition will be placed with caregivers who have received specialized training and have a plan developed to address safety and supervision issues.	95%	79.2% (FY11) 70.5% (FY10)	No	25
Adequate Safeguards for Physically Assaultive / Aggressive Youth (PAAY)	Unsafe and Inappropriate Placements, Goal 1, Outcome 4	Percentage of children identified as physically assaultive or physically aggressive (PAAY) pursuant to the definition will be placed with caregivers who have received specialized training and have a plan developed to address safety and supervision issues.	95%	66.1% (FY11) 57.5% (FY10)	No	28
Adequate Training and Care for Medically Fragile Children	Unsafe and Inappropriate Placements, Goal 1, Outcome 5	Percentage of medically fragile children who are connected to ongoing and appropriate medical care and placed with caregivers who have specialized skills or receive consultation and ongoing training regarding their caretaking responsibilities for the medical condition.	95%	91.0% (FY11) 86.3% (FY10)	No	31

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Monthly Health & Safety Visits with Children	Unsafe and Inappropriate Placements, Goal 1, Outcome 6	Percentage of children who received a visit from an acceptable worker consistent with the federal social worker monthly visit measure in each of the prior full calendar month they were in care.	90%	80.0% (FY11) 53.6% (FY10)	No	34
Safety in Care	Unsafe and Inappropriate Placements, Goal 2, Outcome 1	Percentage of children who are not victims of a founded report of child abuse or neglect by a foster parent or facility staff member.	99.68%	99.81% (FFY10) 99.82% (FFY09)	Yes	37
Sibling Placement (All Siblings)	Sibling Separation, Goal 1, Outcome 1	Percentage of siblings removed together during the fiscal year that were placed with all other removed siblings.	75%	62.3% (FY11) 64.5% (FY10)	No	39
Sibling Placement (All or Some Siblings)	Sibling Separation, Goal 1, Outcome 2	Percentage of siblings removed together during the fiscal year that were placed with some or all other removed siblings.	90%	79.4% (FY11) 81.2% (FY10)	No	42
Sibling Visits / Contacts	Sibling Separation, Goal 2, Outcome 1	Percentage of children placed apart from their siblings that have two or more monthly visits or contacts (not including staffing meetings or court events), with at least one of their siblings.	90%	49.8% (FY11) 51.6% (FY10)	No	45
Changes in School Placements	Services to Adolescents, Goal 2, Outcome 1	Percentage of school aged children (excluding children placed with relatives and/or with siblings) who do not experience a change in school placement when they enter out-of-home care or change placement during the school year.	20%	12.8% (FY11) 17.3% (FY10)	Yes	48
Youth Transition (Exit) Staffings	Services to Adolescents, Goal 2, Outcome 3	Percentage of multi-disciplinary staffing meeting that are held at least six months prior to a youth's exit from foster care to address issues related to their transition to independence.	95%	70.6% (FY11) 27% (FY10)	No	51
Frequency of Youth on Runaway Status	Services to Adolescents, Goal 3, Outcome 1	Percentage of youth in out-of-home care for at least 30 days who run from out-of-home care placements during the fiscal year.	2.35%	3.2% (FY11) 2.7% (FY10)	No	54
Annual Screening of Mental Health & Substance Abuse Needs	Mental Health, Goal 3, Outcome 2	Percentage of children in out-of-home care screened for mental health and substance abuse needs every 12 months.	90%	FY11 Performance will be included in the March 2012 Semi-Annual Performance Report		
DLR CPS Investigations	Unsafe and Inappropriate Placements, Goal 2, Outcome 2	Percentage of referrals/intakes alleging child abuse and neglect of children in out-of-home care receiving thorough investigation by the Division of Licensing Resources (DLR), pursuant to CA policy and timeline, and with required documentation.	95%	FY11 Performance will be included in the March 2012 Semi-Annual Performance Report		
Median Number of Days Youth are on Runaway Status	Services to Adolescents, Goal 3, Outcome 2	Median number of days that youth are on runaway status.	25 Days	FY11 Performance will be included in the March 2012 Semi-Annual Performance Report		

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Subject Areas Not Included in Renegotiated Agreement

Outcome	Braam Settlement Agreement Reference	Measure Description	Benchmark
Shared Planning Meeting Focused on CHET Screen within 60 Days	Mental Health, Goal 1, Outcome 3	Percentage of Shared Planning Meetings (SPM) that include a focus on CHET screening results that are held within 60 days of each child's entry into care.	90%
Early Support for Infant and Toddlers (ESIT) Program Referral within 2 Workdays	Mental Health, Goal 1, Outcome 4	Percentage of children age 3 and under in out-of-home care with identification of concerns about developmental delays from their CHET Screens that are referred to the Early Support for Infant and Toddlers (ESIT) Program within 2 workdays.	90%
Initial Child Health and Education Plan Developed in ISSP within 60 Days	Mental Health, Goal 2, Outcome 1	Percentage of children in out-of-home care that have health and education plans (developed based on the findings from all physical health, developmental, educational, mental health and substance abuse health screenings and assessments) in their ISSP within 60 days entering care.	90%
Child Health and Education Plan Updated in ISSP every 6 Months	Mental Health, Goal 2, Outcome 2	Percentage of children in out-of-home care that have their health and education plan in their ISSP updated every 6 months.	90%
Mental Health Assessment within 30 Days	Mental Health, Goal 3, Outcome 1	Percentage of children in out-of-home care who receive a comprehensive mental health assessment within 30 days of a request for an assessment.	90%
Mental Health Treatment	Mental Health, Goal 3, Outcome 3	Percentage of children who receive services from a qualified mental health and/or substance abuse provider within 30 days of the completion of an assessment.	95%
Child's Needs Met When Found Ineligible/Denied Regional Support Network (RSN) Mental Health Services	Mental Health, Goal 3, Outcome 4	Percentage of children denied or found ineligible for mental health services and the child's needs were found to have been met. The measure is not based on whether a shared planning meeting was held as stated in the description of the outcome per agreement with the Braam Oversight Panel.	90%
Continuity of Mental Health Provider	Mental Health, Goal 4, Outcome 1	Percentage of children who receive behavioral health treatment services from the same provider for each episode of mental health treatment and/or substance use treatment.	85%
Inappropriate Stays in Adult Institutions	Unsafe and Inappropriate Placements, Goal 1, Outcome 1	Number of children placed in institutions not designed for placement of foster children, such as adult mental hospitals or detoxification facilities, where children and adults are commingled.	0 placements
Inappropriate Stays at DSHS Office or Hotel	Unsafe and Inappropriate Placements, Goal 1, Outcome 2	Number of children who stay overnight at DSHS offices or in hotels unless an appropriate licensed foster family or relative caregiver is not available, administrative approval has been granted, and adequate supervision is provided for the child, or the youth has an Independent Living Plan authorizing such placement.	0 Incidents
High School Graduation Rate for Youth in 9th Grade Cohort	Services to Adolescents, Goal 2, Outcome 2	Percentage of youth in out-of-home placement in grade 9 who remained in placement continuously through grade 12 who graduate from high school on time with a regular or adult (Individual Education Plan-IEP) diploma, including students with disabilities who graduated within the number of years designated in their IEP.	70%

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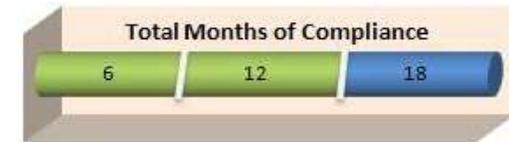
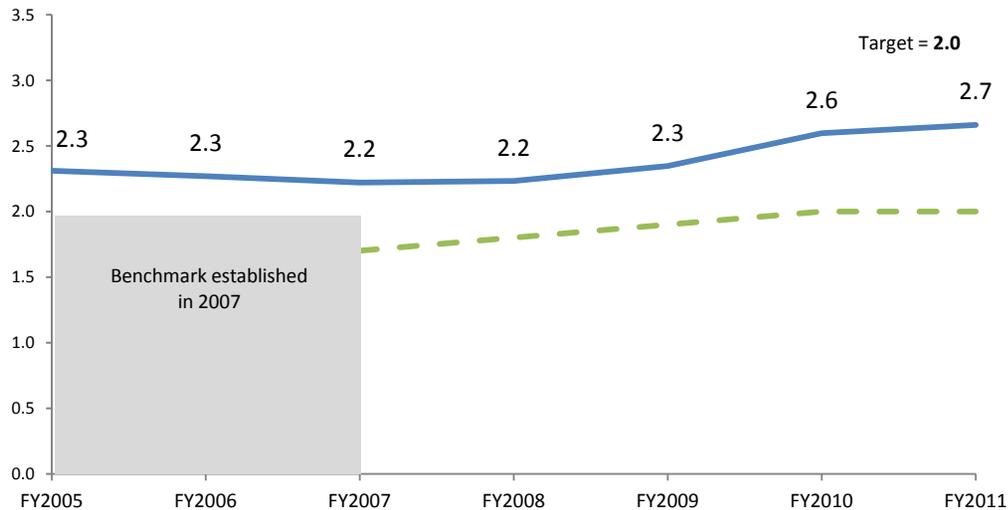
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Ratio of Licensed Foster Care Beds to Children in Foster Care

The average monthly ratio of licensed foster care beds to children in licensed foster care will be at least 2.0.

Statewide Ratio (Goal is to be above the target)



SUMMARY

- FY2011 shows the highest ratio of licensed foster care beds to children, 2.7 beds per child, since the measure was first reported in FY2005.
- Children's Administration (CA) has met the benchmark since 2005.
- Recruitment and retention of quality foster homes continues to be a focus of the Children's Administration much like child welfare systems across the United States.

DATA SOURCE: FamLink; supplied by Lee Doran, Lead Analyst, Children's Administration

MEASURE DEFINITION: Monthly average number of licensed foster home beds at the end of each month divided by the average number of all persons in a licensed foster home bed at the end of each month.

DATA NOTES: **1** The ratio is calculated by taking the monthly average of total licensed foster home bed capacity divided by the monthly average of children placed in licensed foster home beds. **2** The counts are as of the last day of the month and then averaged for the fiscal year. **3** The count of licensed foster homes includes foster homes licensed by CA and Child Placing Agencies without limitations on the length of time the foster home is licensed. **4** The count of children and youth includes all children and youth placed in a licensed foster home in Washington State without limitations in length of stay or CA Placement and Care Authority. **5** Regional averages will not sum to state average as the regional sums reflect a small amount of duplication across regions. **6** Compliance with this outcome requires the statewide benchmark to be met. In addition, no region's performance may be more than .2 lower than the statewide benchmark.

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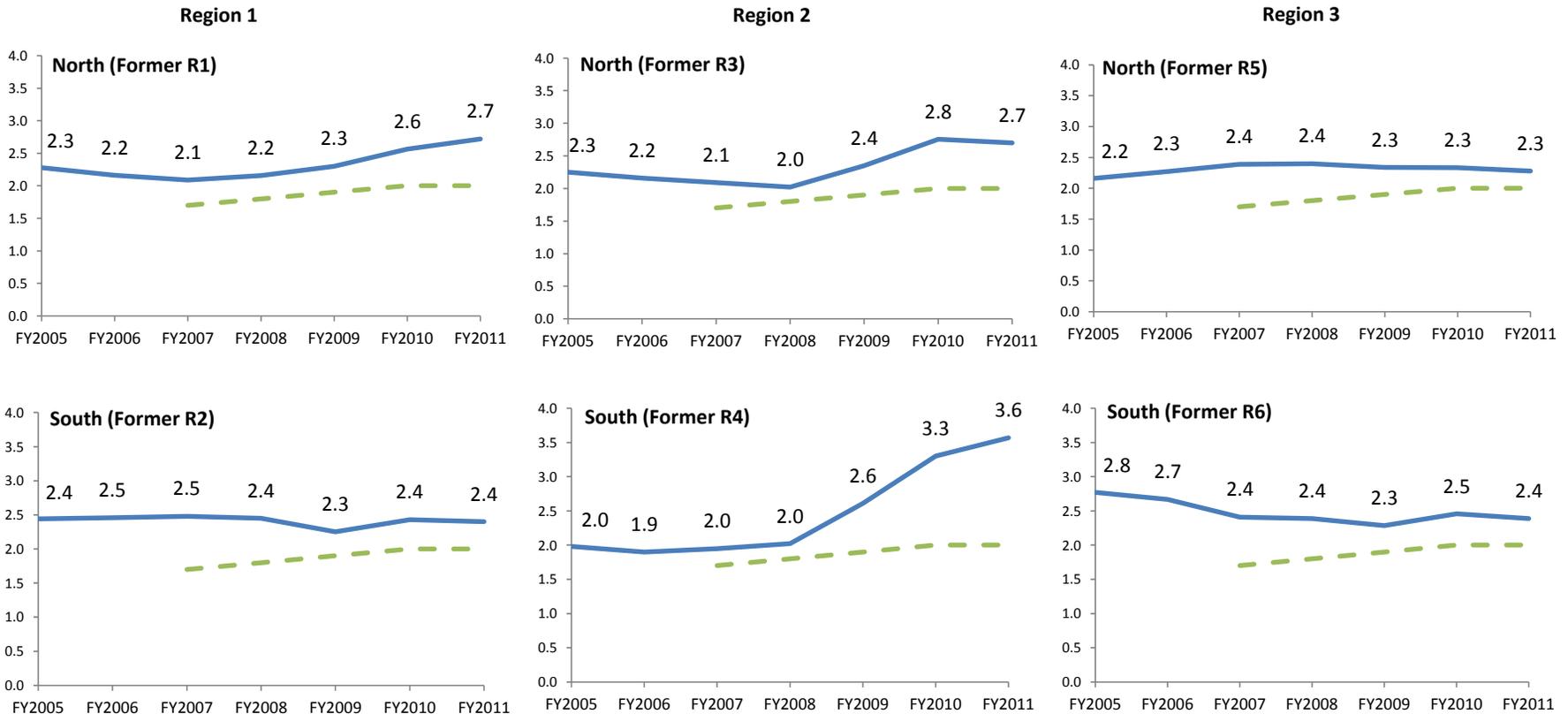
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Ratio of Licensed Foster Care Beds to Children in Foster Care by Region

The average monthly ratio of licensed foster care beds to children in licensed foster care will be at least 2.0.

Benchmark 2.0



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Measure definition	Monthly average number of licensed foster home beds at the end of each month divided by the average number of all persons in a licensed foster home bed at the end of each month.
Data source	FamLink
Data supplier	Lee Doran, Lead Analyst, Children's Administration Technology Services (CATS)
Period	State Fiscal Year
Next update	March 2012 (Semi-Annual Report)
Data notes	<p>1 The ratio is calculated by taking the monthly average of total licensed foster home bed capacity divided by the monthly average of children placed in licensed foster home beds.</p> <p>2 The counts are as of the last day of the month and then averaged for the fiscal year.</p> <p>3 The count of licensed foster homes includes foster homes licensed by CA and Child Placing Agencies without limitations on the length of time the foster home is licensed.</p> <p>4 The count of children and youth includes all children and youth placed in a licensed foster home in Washington State without limitations in length of stay or CA Placement and Care Authority.</p> <p>5 Regional averages will not sum to state average as the regional sums reflect a small amount of duplication across regions.</p> <p>6 Compliance with this outcome requires the full compliance measure to be met. In addition, no region's performance may be more than .2 lower than the full compliance measure.</p>

DATA

DATE	Statewide Ratio	TARGET	Region 1		Region 2		Region 3	
			North (Former R1)	South (Former R2)	North (Former R3)	South (Former R4)	North (Former R5)	South (Former R6)
FY2005	2.3		2.3	2.4	2.3	2.0	2.2	2.8
FY2006	2.3		2.2	2.5	2.2	1.9	2.3	2.7
FY2007	2.2	1.7	2.1	2.5	2.1	2.0	2.4	2.4
FY2008	2.2	1.8	2.2	2.4	2.0	2.0	2.4	2.4
FY2009	2.3	1.9	2.3	2.3	2.4	2.6	2.3	2.3
FY2010	2.6	2.0	2.6	2.4	2.8	3.3	2.3	2.5
FY2011	2.7	2.0	2.7	2.4	2.7	3.6	2.3	2.4

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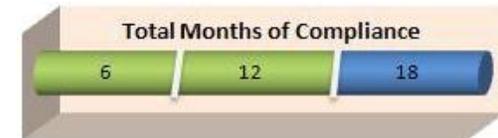
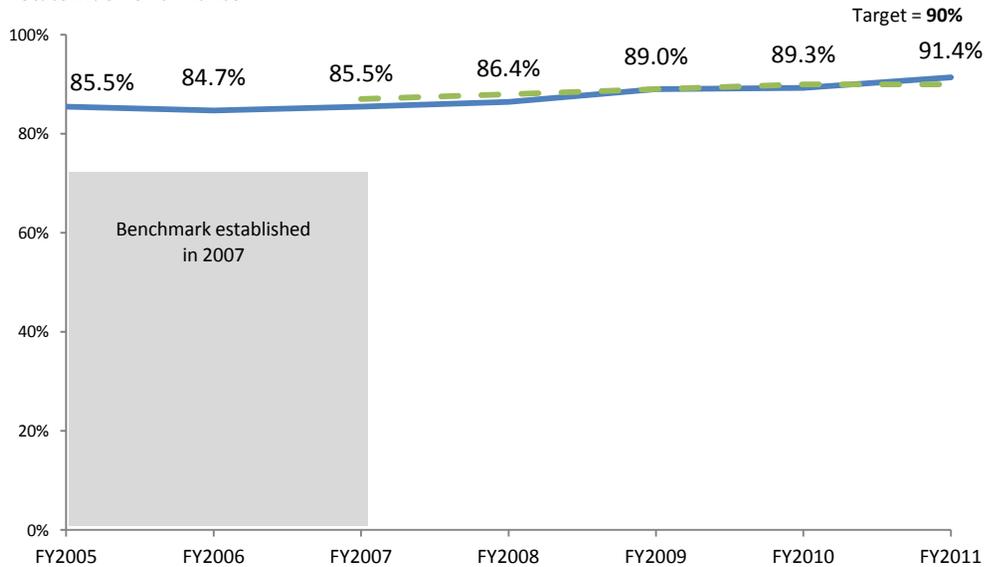
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Placement Stability - Two or Fewer Placements

The percentage of children who experience two or fewer placements during their current out-of-home episode will not decline (outcome measure based on percentage of youth entering care during the two previous fiscal years with two or fewer placements, with time-in-care specifications based on entry year).

Statewide Performance



SUMMARY

- 91.4% of children who entered out-of-home care during FY2010 and FY2011 experienced two or fewer placements during their time in care; this is an increase in performance from the last annual report and exceeds the benchmark of 90%.
- Regions 1 North, 1 South, 2 South, 3 North and 3 South met the benchmark and increased performance since FY2010. Region 2 North experienced a decline in performance.
- Placement stability and continuity is important for children's personal development and achievement.
- Social workers use Family Team Decision Making (FTDM) meetings when making placement decisions and to help prevent a child's placement from disruption.

DATA SOURCE: FamLink; supplied by Lee Doran, Lead Analyst, Children's Administration

MEASURE DEFINITION: Percentage of youth entering care during the previous two fiscal years with 2 or fewer placements (with time-in-care specifications based on entry year).

DATA NOTES: **1** Population includes foster youth entering out-of-home care during the two fiscal years prior to the performance year. For example, to evaluate placement stability for FY2011, the population includes children and youth newly entering out-of-home care during FY2009 and FY2010. **2** Population includes children and youth who were in care for at least 30 days and under CA Placement and Care Authority (PCA). Note: The criteria allows for some variability (error) in PCA documentation by including 'closed' PCA as some of the data is prior to FamLink. **3** The measure is based on time in care. For example, the population includes FY2010 removals with time in care of <=1 year and FY2009 removals with time in care of 1-2 years. **4** Counts of placement moves include exclusions approved by the Braam Oversight Panel, including children/youth's first placement with relatives and first placement with other siblings. (See complete Data Notes on page 9)

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Placement Stability - Two or Fewer Placements by Region

The percentage of children who experience two or fewer placements during their current out-of-home episode will not decline (outcome measure based on percentage of youth entering care during the two previous fiscal years with two or fewer placements, with time-in-care specifications based on entry year).

Benchmark 90%



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Placement Stability - Two or Fewer Placements

The percentage of children who experience two or fewer placements during their current out-of-home episode will not decline (outcome measure based on percentage of youth entering care during the two previous fiscal years with two or fewer placements, with time-in-care specifications based on entry year).

Measure definition	Percentage of youth entering care during the previous two fiscal years with 2 or fewer placements (with time-in-care specifications based on entry year)
Data source	FamLink
Data supplier	Lee Doran, Lead Analyst, Children's Administration Technology Services (CATS)
Period	State Fiscal Year
Next update	March 2012 (Semi-Annual Report)
Data notes	<p>1 Population includes foster youth entering out-of-home care during the two fiscal years prior to the performance year. For example, to evaluate placement stability for FY2011, the population includes children and youth newly entering out-of-home care during FY2009 and FY2010.</p> <p>2 Population includes children and youth who were in care for at least 30 days and under CA Placement and Care Authority (PCA). Note: The criteria allows for some variability (error) in PCA documentation by including 'closed' PCA as some of the data is prior to FamLink.</p> <p>3 The measure is based on time in care. For example, the population includes FY2010 removals with time in care of <=1 year and FY2009 removals with time in care of 1-2 years.</p> <p>4 Counts of placement moves include exclusions approved by the Braam Oversight Panel, including children/youth's first placement with relatives and first placement with other siblings.</p> <p>5 Compliance with this outcome requires the full compliance measure to be met. In addition, no region's performance may be more than 10 percentage points lower than the full compliance measure.</p>

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DATE	Statewide Performance	TARGET	Region 1		Region 2		Region 3	
			North (Former R1)	South (Former R2)	North (Former R3)	South (Former R4)	North (Former R5)	South (Former R6)
FY2005	85.5%		92.4%	85.0%	85.9%	86.4%	83.2%	80.7%
FY2006	84.7%		80.5%	82.7%	85.3%	84.1%	83.3%	81.9%
FY2007	85.5%	87.0%	89.5%	86.9%	83.4%	83.7%	84.4%	83.6%
FY2008	86.4%	88.0%	88.0%	90.5%	82.1%	87.7%	82.3%	86.3%
FY2009	89.0%	89.0%	88.0%	82.7%	88.7%	92.5%	89.6%	91.0%
FY2010	89.3%	90.0%	89.0%	90.7%	87.5%	93.9%	89.9%	85.8%
FY2011	91.4%	90.0%	90.9%	93.3%	86.3%	94.6%	92.0%	91.8%

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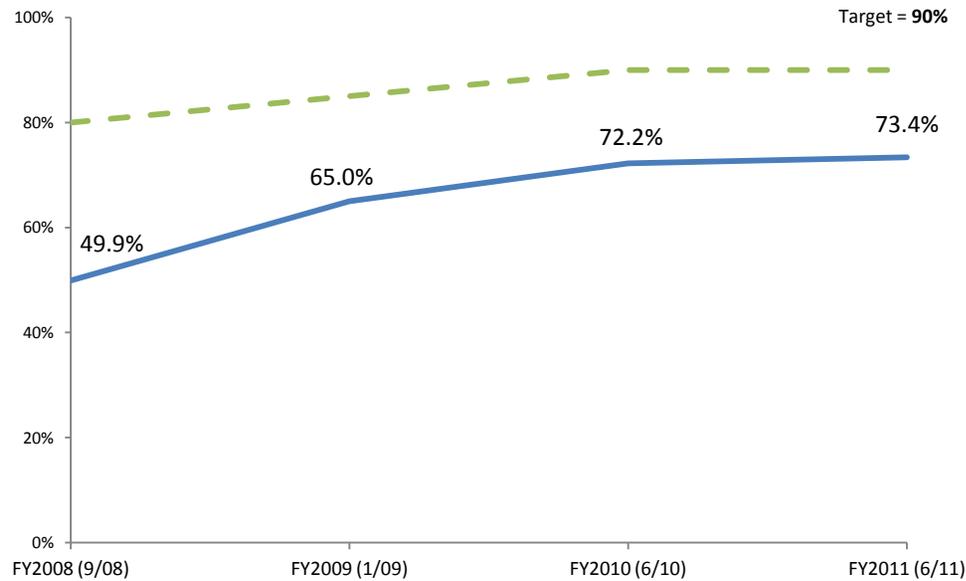
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Caseloads At or Below 18 Cases

Caseworkers will have caseloads at or below 18.0 cases per caseworker.

Statewide Performance



SUMMARY

- Performance shows a trend of improvement over time; from 49.9% in FY2008 to 73.4% in FY2011.
- This measure counts social workers, who served at least one child in out-of-home care, with caseloads of 18 children or fewer. The majority of social workers are Child and Family Welfare Services (CFWS) workers. The measure also counts social workers who only serve one or few children in out-of-home care (i.e. Child Protective Services, Family Reconciliation Services, and Voluntary Family Services).
- This is a point in time measure and not an average over time.
- This data does not reflect the caseload report methodology used by CA Management.
- Caseloads are affected by children entering and leaving out-of-home care. CA has a strong focus on reducing the length of time children and youth spend in out of home care. These efforts achieve safe legal permanency for children and help reduce social worker's caseloads.

DATA SOURCE: FamLink; supplied by Lee Doran, Lead Analyst, Children's Administration

MEASURE DEFINITION: Social workers will have caseloads at or below Council on Accreditation (COA) standards.

DATA NOTES: 1 FY2008 was the first year administrative data was available to report on this outcome. 2 The data is considered estimates as changes over time in counts still represent a developing measure and utilization of the information management system used as the data source. 3 The counts are point in time as of the first day of the report month. Consistent reporting months have not been used due to timing of development and availability of measure data. 9/08 was used for FY2008 as it was the first month performance data for this outcome was available. 1/09 was used for FY2009 as it was the last month CA had confidence in the data as it was prior to the conversion to FamLink. (See complete Data Notes on page 12)

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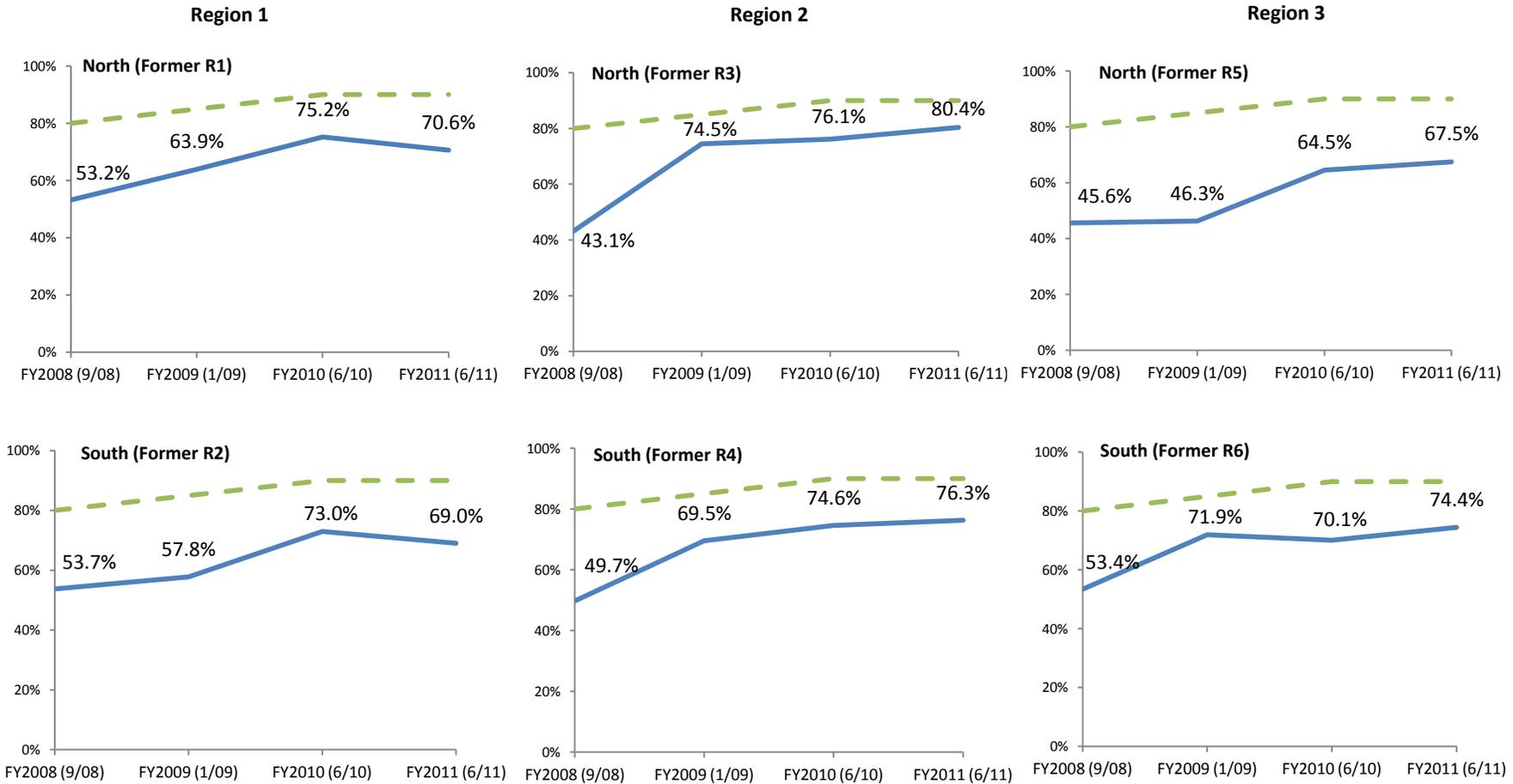
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Caseloads At or Below 18 Cases by Region

Caseworkers will have caseloads at or below 18.0 cases per caseworker.

Benchmark 90%



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Caseloads At or Below 18 Cases

Caseworkers will have caseloads at or below 18.0 cases per caseworker.

Measure definition	Percentage of social workers providing services to one or more children in out-of-home care under CA Placement and Care Authority with caseloads at or below Council on Accreditation (COA) standards (18 child cases per worker).
Data source	FamLink
Data supplier	Lee Doran, Lead Analyst, Children's Administration Technology Services (CATS)
Period	Point in Time Data, As of the First Day of the Identified Month
Next update	March 2012 (Semi-Annual Report)
Data notes	<p>1 FY2008 was the first year administrative data was available to report on this outcome.</p> <p>2 The data is considered estimates as changes over time in counts still represent a developing measure and utilization of the information management system used as the data source.</p> <p>3 The counts are point in time as of the first day of the report month. Consistent reporting months have not been used due to timing of development and availability of measure data. 9/08 was used for FY2008 as it was the first month performance data for this outcome was available. 1/09 was used for FY2009 as it was the last month CA had confidence in the data as it was prior to the conversion to FamLink.</p> <p>4 Compliance with this outcome requires the full compliance measure to be met. In addition, no region's performance may be more than 10 percentage points lower than the full compliance measure.</p>

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DATE	Statewide Performance	TARGET	Worker Count <18	Worker Count >18		Region 1		Region 2		Region 3	
				Percent	Count	North (Former R1)	South (Former R2)	North (Former R3)	South (Former R4)	North (Former R5)	South (Former R6)
FY2008 (9/08)	49.9%	80%	512	50.1%	514	53.2%	53.7%	43.1%	49.7%	45.6%	53.4%
FY2009 (1/09)	65.0%	85%	652	35.0%	328	63.9%	57.8%	74.5%	69.5%	46.3%	71.9%
FY2010 (6/10)	72.2%	90%	695	27.8%	268	75.2%	73.0%	76.1%	74.6%	64.5%	70.1%
FY2011 (6/11)	73.4%	90%	689	26.6%	250	70.6%	69.0%	80.4%	76.3%	67.5%	74.4%

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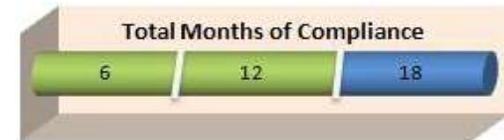
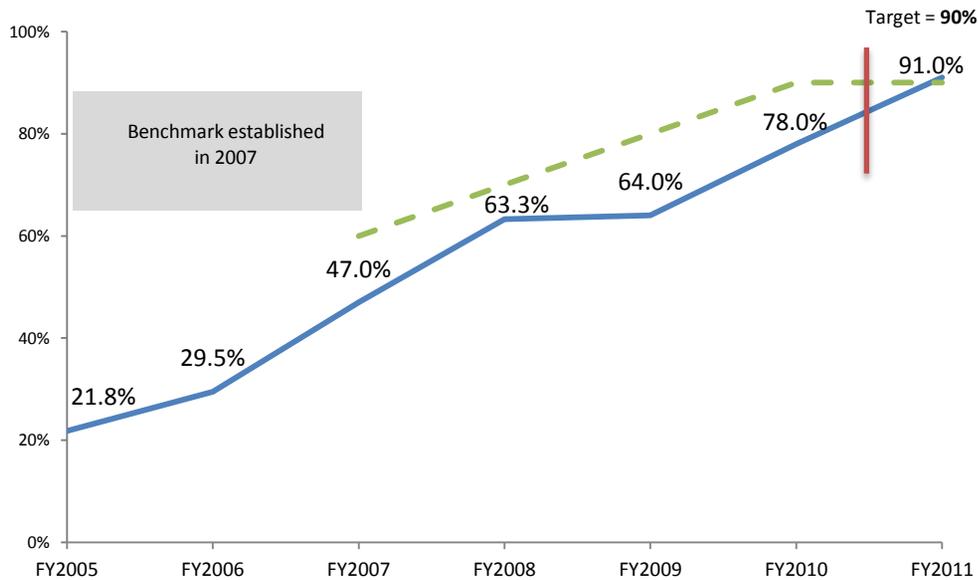
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Child Health & Education Tracking (CHET) Screens

Children in out-of-home care for 45 days or longer will have a completed and documented Child Health and Education Tracking (CHET) Screen within 30 days of entering care.

Statewide Performance



SUMMARY

- FY2011 performance for completing required CHET Screens within 30 days of a child entering out-of-home care was 91% and exceeded the benchmark of 90%.
- CA performance has steadily improved during the past six years.
- The average number of days to complete a CHET Screen was 27 days during FY2011.
- Revised Measure: This measure changed FY2011 under the revised Agreement, preventing comparison of performance over time. The previous measure looked at completed CHET Screens within 30 days of entering care for children in out-of-home care 30 days or longer, while the measure now looks at children in out-of-home care 45 days or longer.
- The healthy development of children in out-of-home care is a fundamental priority. Good health and emotional well being increase the likelihood of developmental, social, and educational achievement.

DATA SOURCE: Statewide CHET Database; supplied by Brenda Villarreal, Statewide CHET Program Manager

MEASURE DEFINITION: Children in out-of-home care 45 days or longer will have completed and documented Child Health and Education Tracking (CHET) screens within 30 days of entering care.

DATA NOTES: 1 The benchmark for this outcome was established beginning with FY2007. 2 Performance is based on children newly entering out-of-home care and agreed upon criteria for requiring a CHET screen. 3 In order for a CHET Screen to be counted as complete, the Screening Report must have all of the age appropriate screening domains completed within 30 days of entry into care. 4 FY2009 performance only includes Feb 1 – June 30, 2009 data due to the FamLink transition period. This period also marks the start of using a revised definition for "completion." (See complete Data Notes on page 15)

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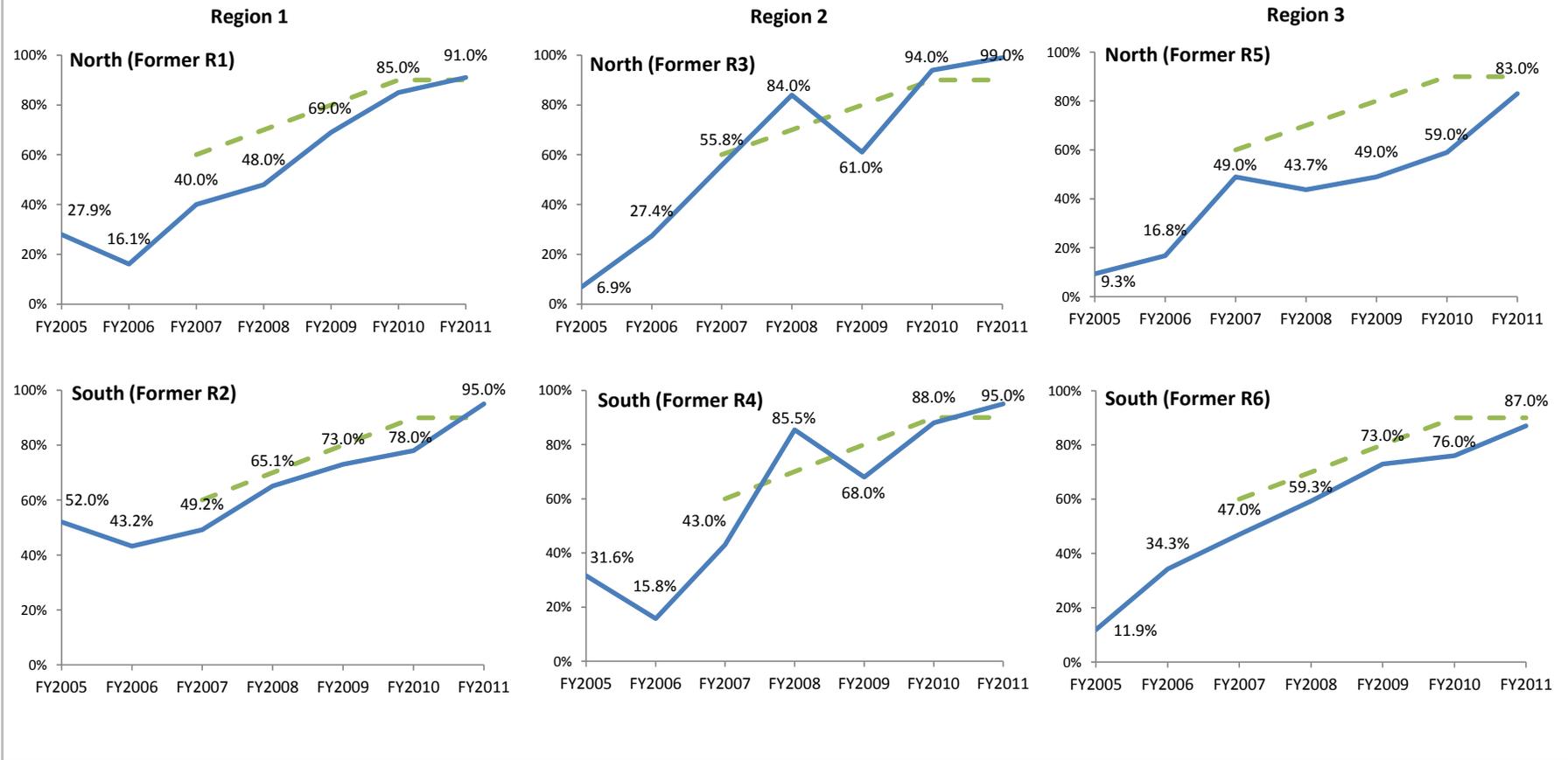
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Child Health & Education Tracking (CHET) Screens by Region

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Benchmark 90%



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Measure definition	Percentage of children with CHET screens within 45 days of entry into care.
Data source	FamLink and Statewide CHET Database
Data supplier	Brenda Villarreal, Statewide CHET Program Manager, Children's Administration and Bob Ensley, Statewide CHET Database Programmer
Period	State Fiscal Year
Next update	March 2012 (Semi-Annual Report)
Data notes	<p>1 The benchmark for this outcome was established beginning with FY2007.</p> <p>2 Performance is based on children newly entering out-of-home care that meet criteria for a CHET Screen to be completed.</p> <p>3 In order for a CHET Screen to be counted as complete, the Screening Report must have all of the age appropriate screening domains completed within 30 days of entry into care.</p> <p>4 FY2009 performance only includes Feb 1 – June 30, 2009 data due to the FamLink transition period. This period also marks the start of using a revised definition for “completion.”</p> <p>5 FY2005 through FY2010 performance looked at children in out-of-home care for 30 days or longer. FY2011 includes children in out-of-home care 45 days or longer, as stated in the Revised Settlement and Exit Agreement, effective November 1, 2011.</p> <p>6 Compliance with this outcome requires the full compliance measure to be met. In addition, no region’s performance may be more than 10 percentage points lower than the full compliance measure.</p>

DATA

DATE	Statewide Performance	TARGET	Total Applicable Cases	Region 1		Region 2		Region 3	
				North (Former R1)	South (Former R2)	North (Former R3)	South (Former R4)	North (Former R5)	South (Former R6)
FY2005	21.8%		Data not readily available	27.9%	52.0%	6.9%	31.6%	9.3%	11.9%
FY2006	29.5%			16.1%	43.2%	27.4%	15.8%	16.8%	34.3%
FY2007	47.0%	60%		40.0%	49.2%	55.8%	43.0%	49.0%	47.0%
FY2008	63.3%	70%	4690	48.0%	65.1%	84.0%	85.5%	43.7%	59.3%
FY2009	64.0%	80%	1653 (See Data Note #4)	69.0%	73.0%	61.0%	68.0%	49.0%	73.0%
FY2010	78.0%	90%	4309	85.0%	78.0%	94.0%	88.0%	59.0%	76.0%
FY2011	91.0%	90%	3900	91.0%	95.0%	99.0%	95.0%	83.0%	87.0%

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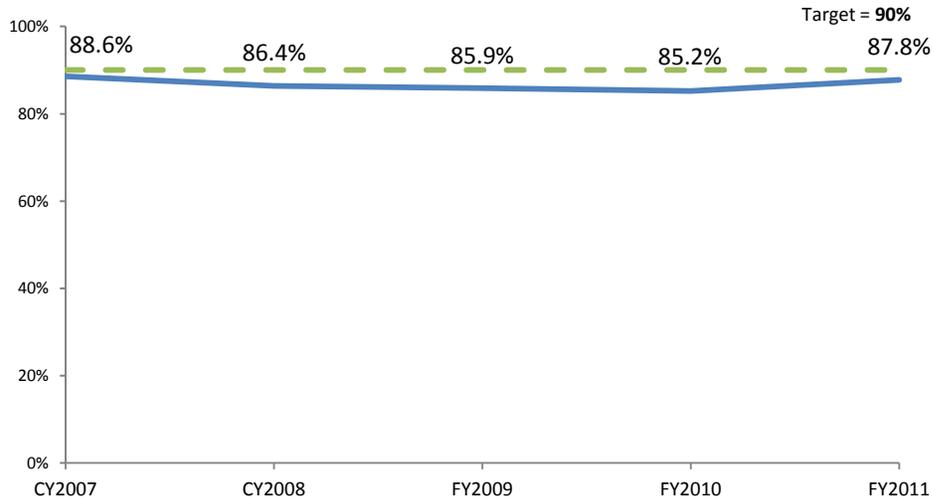
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Adequate Foster Parent Training

Licensed caregivers will report adequate training for their roles and responsibilities about children for whom they provide care so that the caregivers are capable of meeting their responsibilities for providing for the children in their care.

Statewide Performance



SUMMARY

- For FY2011, 87.8% of foster parents reported they received adequate training for their roles and responsibilities.
- Performance has remained relatively stable the past five years.
- Regional performance during FY2011 ranged between 84-93%. Region 1 South was the highest performer.
- The Children's Administration is committed to providing foster parents and caregivers high quality, accessible, and consistent training statewide that prepares them to meet their roles and responsibilities. This commitment requires ongoing evaluation of caregiver feedback, assessment of training, review of training requirements, management of resources, and collaboration with caregiver representatives.

DATA SOURCE: Survey of Foster Parents and Caregivers in Washington State, administered by WSU

MEASURE DEFINITION: Percentage of licensed caregivers who report adequate training for their roles and responsibilities.

DATA NOTES: **1** Percentage of randomly selected licensed caregivers reporting adequate training for their roles and responsibilities, by region and for the state as a whole (including but not limited to emotional, behavioral, developmental, medical, educational advocacy, birth parents and cultural competency). **2** This outcome is measured by one question: Q27 asks foster parents to think about all of their training in the last three years. **3** Although Q27 asks foster parents to consider only the training within the past three years, the outcome does not include this time limitation. **4** For the purpose of calculating this outcome, responses of "already prepared" and "have not had training" are counted as not applicable. (See complete Data Notes on page 18)

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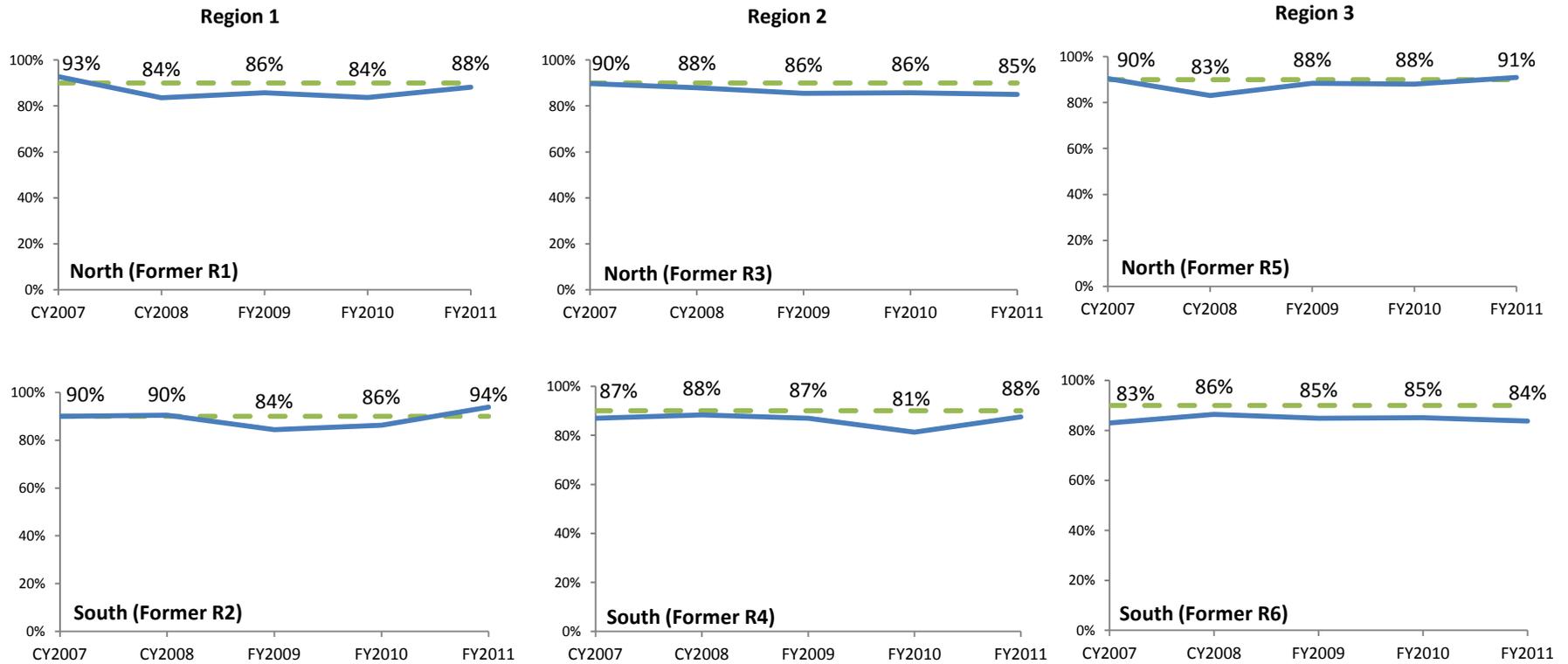
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Adequate Foster Parent Training by Region

Licensed caregivers will report adequate training for their roles and responsibilities about children for whom they provide care so that the caregivers are capable of meeting their responsibilities for providing for the children in their care.

Benchmark 90%



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Adequate Foster Parent Training

Licensed caregivers will report adequate training for their roles and responsibilities about children for whom they provide care so that the caregivers are capable of meeting their responsibilities for providing for the children in their care.

Measure definition	Percentage of licensed caregivers who report adequate training for their roles and responsibilities.
Data source	Survey of Foster Parents and Caregivers in Washington State
Data supplier	John Tarnai, Ph.D., Principal Investigator and Bruce Austin, M.S., Study Director, Social and Economic Research Center, Washington State University
Period	State Fiscal Year
Next update	September 2012 (Semi-Annual Report)
Data notes	<p>1 Percentage of randomly selected licensed caregivers reporting adequate training for their roles and responsibilities, by region and for the state as a whole (including but not limited to emotional, behavioral, developmental, medical, educational advocacy, birth parents and cultural competency).</p> <p>2 This outcome is measured by one question: Q27 asks foster parents to think about all of their training in the last three years.</p> <p>3 Although Q27 asks foster parents to consider only the training within the past three years, the outcome does not include this time limitation.</p> <p>4 For the purpose of calculating this outcome, responses of “already prepared” and “have not had training” are counted as not applicable.</p> <p>5 To view the complete FY2011 Survey of Foster Parents and Caregivers in Washington State Report published by Washington State University and prior year reports visit the CA internet site at the following web address: http://www.dshs.wa.gov/ca/about/imp_settlement.asp</p> <p>6 Compliance with this outcome requires the full compliance measure to be met. In addition, no region’s performance may be more than 10 percentage points lower than the full compliance measure.</p>

DATA

DATE	Statewide Performance	TARGET	Total Applicable Children	Region 1				Region 2				Region 3			
				North (Former R1)		South (Former R2)		North (Former R3)		South (Former R4)		North (Former R5)		South (Former R6)	
				Percent	Count										
CY2007	88.6%	90%	743	93%	128 of 138	90%	81 of 90	90%	104 of 116	87%	80 of 92	90%	123 of 136	83%	142 of 171
CY2008	86.4%	90%	836	84%	122 of 146	90%	103 of 114	88%	109 of 124	88%	106 of 102	83%	123 of 148	86%	159 of 184
FY2009	85.9%	90%	960	86%	145 of 169	84%	114 of 135	86%	118 of 138	87%	100 of 115	88%	145 of 164	85%	203 of 239
FY2010	85.2%	90%	997	84%	184 of 219	86%	113 of 131	86%	133 of 155	81%	100 of 123	88%	147 of 167	85%	172 of 202
FY2011	87.8%	90%	900	88%	150 of 20	94%	105 of 112	85%	119 of 140	88%	98 of 112	91%	149 of 164	84%	169 of 202

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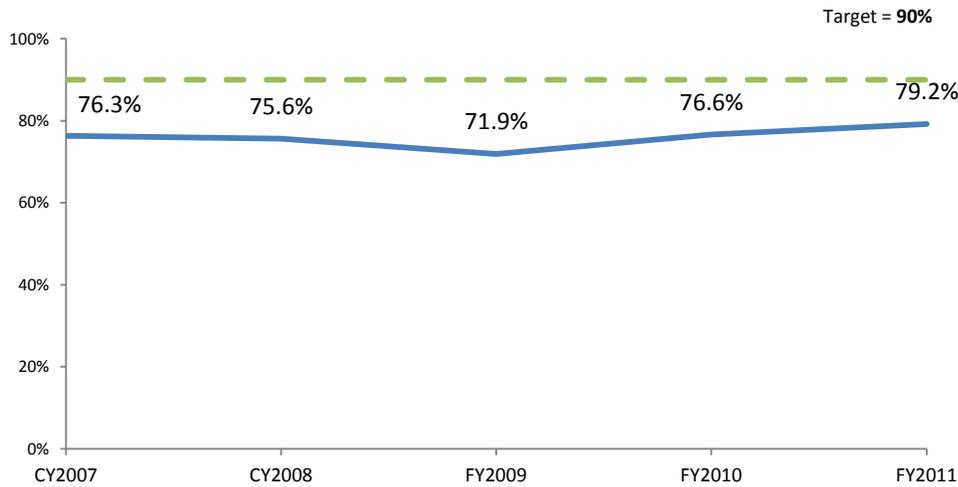
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Adequate Foster Parent Support

Licensed caregivers will report adequate support for their roles and responsibilities about children for whom they provide care so that the caregivers are capable of meeting their responsibilities for providing for the children in their care.

Statewide Performance



SUMMARY

- For FY2011, 79.2% of foster parents reported they received adequate support for their roles and responsibilities.
- Performance has remained relatively stable since CY2007 and shows strong improvement since poorer FY2009 performance.
- Regional performance during FY2011 ranged between 75-81%. Regions 1 North, 1 South and 3 North were the highest performers.
- Compliance is an aggregate of caregiver responses to seven questions. FY2011 results show highest ratings for timely response to crisis (85%), support for cultural/ethnic issues (87%) and help and support from social worker and agency (78%). Lower ratings were for timely notification of shared planning meetings (76.7%) and court hearings (72%), and caregivers right to be heard in court (71%).
- Children's Administration is committed to providing the support foster parents need to care for dependent children in their home.

DATA SOURCE: Survey of Foster Parents and Caregivers in Washington State, administered by WSU

MEASURE DEFINITION: Percentage of licensed caregivers who report adequate support for their roles and responsibilities.

DATA NOTES: **1** Percentage of randomly selected 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). **2** This outcome measure combines a total of seven questions: Q89, Q93, Q94, Q96, Q57, Q58, and Q78. 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. **3** The results for Q78 were not factored into the outcome in the 2007 survey results because the related policy was not implemented in 2006. Q78, is included in outcome calculations for surveys conducted after 2007. (See complete Data Notes on page 21)

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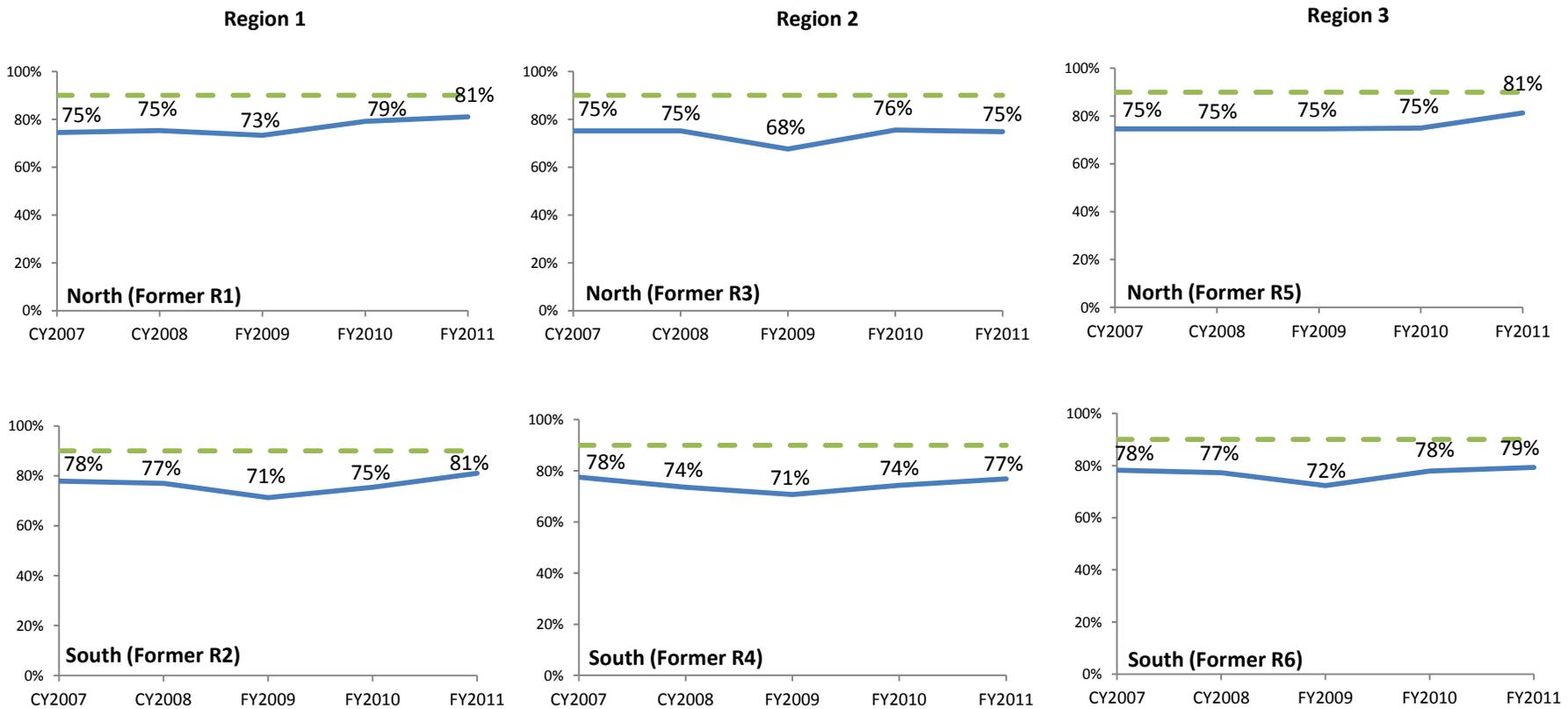
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Adequate Foster Parent Support by Region

Licensed caregivers will report adequate support for their roles and responsibilities about children for whom they provide care so that the caregivers are capable of meeting their responsibilities for providing for the children in their care.

Benchmark 90%



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Adequate Foster Parent Support

Licensed caregivers will report adequate support for their roles and responsibilities about children for whom they provide care so that the caregivers are capable of meeting their responsibilities for providing for the children in their care.

Measure definition	Percentage of licensed caregivers who report adequate support for their roles and responsibilities.
Data source	Survey of Foster Parents and Caregivers in Washington State
Data supplier	John Tarnai, Ph.D., Principal Investigator and Bruce Austin, M.S., Study Director, Social and Economic Research Center, Washington State University
Period	State Fiscal Year
Next update	September 2012 (Semi-Annual Report)
Data notes	<p>1 Percentage of randomly selected 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).</p> <p>2 This outcome measure combines caregiver responses from a total of seven questions: Q89, Q93, Q94, Q96, Q57, Q58, and Q78 - these questions are identified below. 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. The seven compliance questions are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The last time you had a crisis or emergency related to your role as a caregiver, and asked the agency for help, did you get a timely response?(Q89) 2. How supportive is the agency in helping you deal with cultural or ethnic issues related to the care of this child during (time period)? (Q93) 3. Overall how satisfied are you with the quality of help and support provided by this child's social worker in the (time period)? (Q94) 4. Overall how satisfied are you with the quality of help and support provided by the agency in the (time period)? (Q96) 5. During the (time period), how often did you receive timely notification at least 5 days prior, about these shared case planning meetings? (Q78) 6. During the (time period), did the agency notify you about court hearings for this child within 10 working days prior to court hearings, excluding hearings called on an emergency basis? (Q57) 7. In the (time period), did the agency tell you that you have the right to be heard at these hearings? (Q58) <p>3 The results for Q78 were not factored into the outcome in the 2007 survey results because the related policy was not implemented in 2006. Q78, is included in outcome calculations for surveys conducted after 2007.</p> <p>4 2007 performance counts include licensed and unlicensed caregivers. A change was made in 2008 to limit this outcome to licensed caregivers.</p> <p>5 To view the complete FY2011 Survey of Foster Parents and Caregivers in Washington State Report published by Washington State University and prior year reports visit the CA internet site at the following web address: http://www.dshs.wa.gov/ca/about/imp_settlement.asp</p> <p>6 Compliance with this outcome requires the full compliance measure to be met. In addition, no region's performance may be more than 10 percentage points lower than the full compliance measure.</p>

DATA

DATE	Statewide Performance	TARGET	Total Applicable Children	Region 1				Region 2				Region 3			
				North (Former R1)		South (Former R2)		North (Former R3)		South (Former R4)		North (Former R5)		South (Former R6)	
				Percent	Count										
CY2007	76.3%	90%	2904	75%	407 of 546	78%	272 of 349	75%	324 of 431	78%	269 of 347	75%	405 of 543	78%	538 of 688
CY2008	75.6%	90%	3362	75%	450 of 597	77%	357 of 463	75%	372 of 494	74%	345 of 468	75%	444 of 594	77%	576 of 745
FY2009	71.9%	90%	4029	73%	531 of 724	71%	404 of 567	68%	392 of 580	71%	334 of 472	75%	502 of 673	72%	733 of 1013
FY2010	76.6%	90%	3962	79%	706 of 891	75%	365 of 484	76%	450 of 595	74%	367 of 493	75%	507 of 675	78%	641 of 823
FY2011	79.2%	90%	3675	81%	546 of 673	81%	378 of 466	75%	418 of 558	77%	369 of 480	81%	555 of 682	79%	646 of 815

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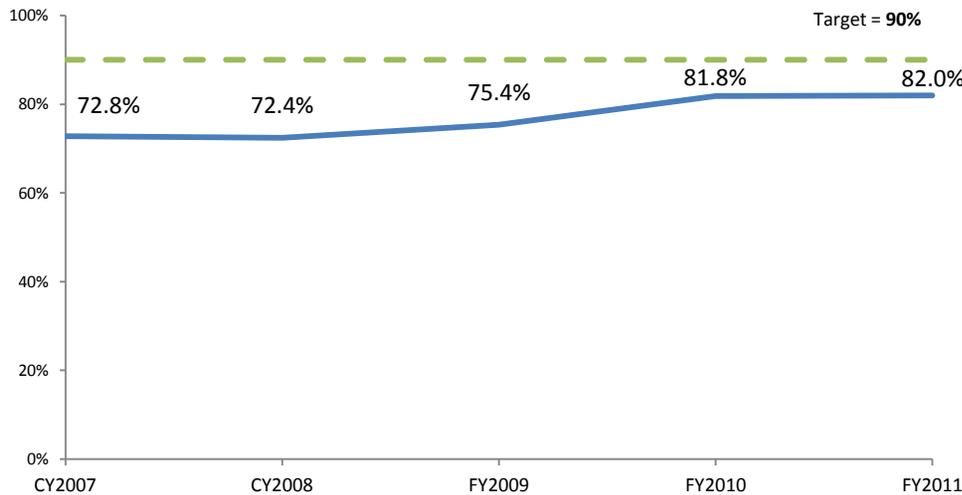
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Adequate Foster Parent Information

Licensed caregivers will report adequate provision of information about the needs of children placed with them (including, but not limited to, behavioral, medical, developmental and educational needs).

Statewide Performance



SUMMARY

- For FY2011, 82% of foster parents reported they received adequate information about children placed with them.
- Performance on this outcome has steadily improved over the past five years.
- Regional performance during FY2011 ranged between 82-87%. Region 2 South was the highest performer.
- Compliance is an aggregate of caregiver responses to eight survey questions. FY2011 results show highest ratings for provision of information about children’s health needs (85.9%; within 30 days 84.1%) and developmental needs (82.3%; within 30 days 83.6%). Lower ratings were for provision of information about children’s behavioral issues (79.5%; within 30 days 80.7%) and education needs (78.1%; within 30 days 75.2%).
- Providing complete information to foster parents is essential to meeting the needs of the children for whom they provide care.

DATA SOURCE: Survey of Foster Parents and Caregivers in Washington State, administered by WSU

MEASURE DEFINITION: Percentage of licensed caregivers who report adequate provision of information about the needs of children placed with them.

DATA NOTES: **1** Percentage of randomly selected 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). **2** This outcome measure combines a total of eight questions: Q59, Q61, Q64, Q60, Q62, Q65, Q63A, and Q63B, and all questions are given equal weight. **3** 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. **4** This outcome is restricted to only those foster parents whose children were placed with them in FY09. **5** Questions Q63A & Q63B which relate to children’s developmental needs were added to the survey covering 2007 and subsequent years based on revisions to the Implementation Plan. (See complete data notes on Page 24)

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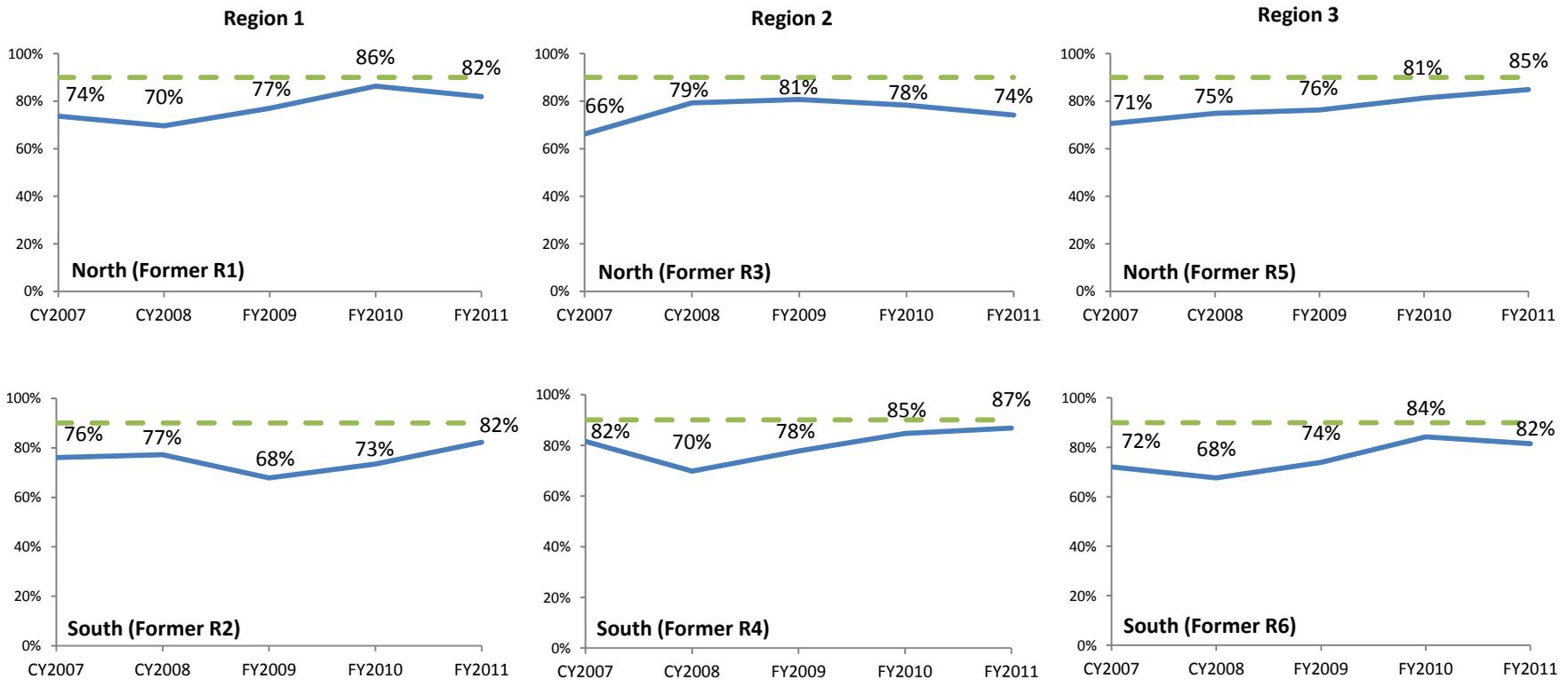
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Adequate Foster Parent Information by Region

Licensed caregivers will report adequate provision of information about the needs of children placed with them (including, but not limited to, behavioral, medical, developmental and educational needs).

Benchmark 90%



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Adequate Foster Parent Information

Licensed caregivers will report adequate provision of information about the needs of children placed with them (including, but not limited to, behavioral, medical, developmental and educational needs).

Measure definition	Percentage of licensed caregivers who report adequate provision of information about the needs of children placed with them.
Data source	Survey of Foster Parents and Caregivers in Washington State
Data supplier	John Tarnai, Ph.D., Principal Investigator and Bruce Austin, M.S., Study Director, Social and Economic Research Center, Washington State University
Period	State Fiscal Year
Next update	September 2012 (Semi-Annual Report)
Data notes	<p>1 Percentage of randomly selected 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).</p> <p>2 This outcome measure combines a total of eight questions: Q59, Q61, Q64, Q60, Q62, Q65, Q63A, and Q63B, 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. The eight compliance questions are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Would you STRONGLY AGREE, SOMEWHAT AGREE, SOMEWHAT DISAGREE, or STRONGLY DISAGREE that you were provided adequate information about this child's health needs in (time period)? (Q59) 2. If the child was placed with you in (time period), did you receive health information for this child within 30 days after this child was placed in your home? (Q60) 3. Would you STRONGLY AGREE, SOMEWHAT AGREE, SOMEWHAT DISAGREE, or STRONGLY DISAGREE that you were provided adequate information about this child's education needs in (time period)? (Q61) 4. If the child was placed in (time period), did you receive information about this child's education history or needs within 30 days after this child was placed in your home? (Q62) 5. Would you STRONGLY AGREE, SOMEWHAT AGREE, SOMEWHAT DISAGREE, or STRONGLY DISAGREE that you were provided adequate information about this child's developmental needs in (time period)? (Q63A) 6. If the child was placed in (time period), did you receive information about this child's developmental history or needs within 30 days after this child was placed in your home? (Q63B) 7. Would you STRONGLY AGREE, SOMEWHAT AGREE, SOMEWHAT DISAGREE, or STRONGLY DISAGREE that you were provided adequate information about this child's behavioral issues in (time period)? (Q64) 8. If the child was placed in (time period), did you receive information about this child's behavioral issues within 30 days after (she/he) was placed in your home? (Q65) <p>4 This outcome is restricted to only those foster parents whose children were placed with them during the report period.</p> <p>5 Questions Q63A & Q63B which relate to children's developmental needs were added to the survey for CY2007 and subsequent years based on revisions to the Braam Settlement Agreement Implementation Plan.</p> <p>6 To view the complete FY2011 Survey of Foster Parents and Caregivers in Washington State Report published by Washington State University and prior year reports visit the CA internet site at the following web address: http://www.dshs.wa.gov/ca/about/imp_settlement.asp</p> <p>7 Compliance with this outcome requires the full compliance measure to be met. In addition, no region's performance may be more than 10 percentage points lower than the full compliance measure.</p>

DATA

DATE	Statewide Performance	TARGET	Total Applicable Children	Region 1				Region 2				Region 3			
				North (Former R1)		South (Former R2)		North (Former R3)		South (Former R4)		North (Former R5)		South (Former R6)	
				Percent	Count										
CY2007	72.8%	90%	1532	74%	250 of 339	76%	140 of 184	66%	139 of 210	82%	123 of 151	71%	194 of 275	72%	269 of 373
CY2008	72.4%	90%	2135	70%	279 of 407	77%	227 of 294	79%	207 of 261	70%	176 of 252	75%	304 of 406	68%	352 of 521
FY2009	75.4%	90%	2002	77%	281 of 365	68%	185 of 273	81%	217 of 269	78%	172 of 221	76%	257 of 337	74%	397 of 537
FY2010	81.8%	90%	1947	86%	335 of 388	73%	204 of 278	78%	209 of 267	85%	244 of 288	81%	286 of 352	84%	315 of 374
FY2011	82.0%	90%	1744	82%	271 of 331	82%	144 of 175	74%	186 of 251	87%	204 of 235	85%	312 of 368	82%	313 of 384

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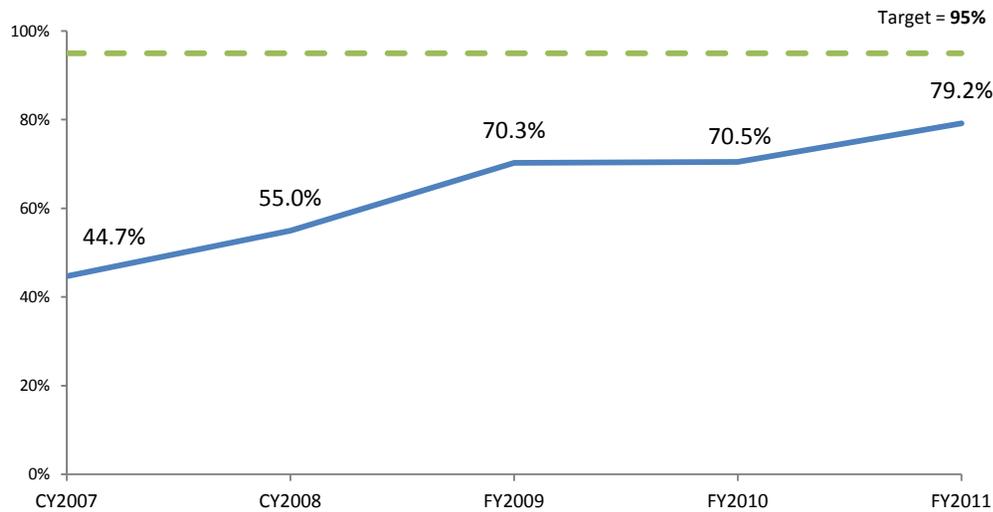
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Adequate Safeguards for Sexually Aggressive Youth (SAY)

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.

Statewide Performance



SUMMARY

- FY2011 performance was 79.2% for ensuring adequate safeguards are in place for Sexually Aggressive Youth (SAY).
- FY2011 performance increased by almost 9% since FY2009.
- Regional performance during FY2011 ranged between 54-100%. Region 1 North was the highest performer.
- Compliance is an aggregate of caregiver responses to two questions, 80% of caregivers reported receiving specialized training to care for SAY youth and 96.2% reported plans met safety and supervision needs.
- Care for youth who are Sexually Aggressive requires special skills and thoughtful plans to supervise the youth.

DATA SOURCE: Survey of Foster Parents and Caregivers in Washington State, administered by WSU

MEASURE DEFINITION: Percentage of 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.

DATA NOTES: **1** Results for this outcome include interview responses from randomly selected licensed foster parents and unlicensed caregivers. **2** This outcome measure was significantly changed following the 2007 survey. In the 2007 survey, SAY and PAAY were combined into a single outcome. Beginning with the 2008 survey, separate outcomes were measured for SAY and PAAY. **3** A definition of "sexually aggressive youth" was added to the survey in 2009, along with a second screening question (Q115A) to help ensure only caregivers who cared for youth meeting this definition would be included in the outcome calculation. (See complete data notes on page 27)

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PERFORMANCE MEASURE

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Adequate Safeguards for Sexually Aggressive Youth (SAY) by Region

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.

Benchmark 95%



Children's Administration

Adequate Safeguards for Sexually Aggressive Youth (SAY)

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.

Measure definition	Percentage of 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.
Data source	Survey of Foster Parents and Caregivers in Washington State
Data supplier	John Tarnai, Ph.D., Principal Investigator and Bruce Austin, M.S., Study Director, Social and Economic Research Center, Washington State University
Period	State Fiscal Year
Next update	March 2012 (Semi-Annual Report)
Data notes	<p>1 Results for this outcome include interview responses from randomly selected licensed foster parents and unlicensed caregivers.</p> <p>2 This outcome measure was significantly changed following the 2007 survey. In the 2007 survey, SAY and PAAY were combined into a single outcome. Beginning with the 2008 survey, separate outcomes were measured for SAY and PAAY.</p> <p>3 A definition of "sexually aggressive youth" was added to the survey in 2009, along with a second screening question (Q115A) to help ensure only caregivers who cared for youth meeting this definition would be included in the outcome calculation.</p> <p>4 Performance requires caregivers answers to both Q114 and Q118 be "Yes" to be considered in compliance. Q114 - "Have you received specialized training to care for a child identified as sexually aggressive, sometimes referred to as SAY." Q118 - "Did the plan meet the safety and supervision needs of the children in your home."</p> <p>5 To view the complete FY2011 Survey of Foster Parents and Caregivers in Washington State Report published by Washington State University and prior year reports visit the CA internet site at the following web address: http://www.dshs.wa.gov/ca/about/imp_settlement.asp</p> <p>6 Compliance with this outcome requires the full compliance measure to be met. In addition, no region's performance may be more than 10 percentage points lower than the full compliance measure.</p>

DATA

DATE	Statewide Rate	TARGET	Total Applicable Children	Region 1				Region 2				Region 3			
				North (Former R1)		South (Former R2)		North (Former R3)		South (Former R4)		North (Former R5)		South (Former R6)	
				Percent	Count										
CY2007	44.7%	95%	358	36%	30 of 54	48%	21 of 44	47%	23 of 26	27%	8 of 30	53%	34 of 64	51%	44 of 87
CY2008	55.0%	95%	100	52%	11 of 21	50%	8 of 16	73%	8 of 11	40%	2 of 5	55%	11 of 20	56%	15 of 27
FY2009	70.3%	95%	64	75%	6 of 8	83%	10 of 12	86%	6 of 7	100%	3 of 3	43%	6 of 14	70%	14 of 20
FY2010	70.5%	95%	61	60%	6 of 10	75%	6 of 8	67%	8 of 12	67%	4 of 6	78%	7 of 9	75%	12 of 16
FY2011	79.2%	95%	106	100%	6 of 6	85%	22 of 26	75%	6 of 8	86%	12 of 14	92%	24 of 26	54%	14 of 26

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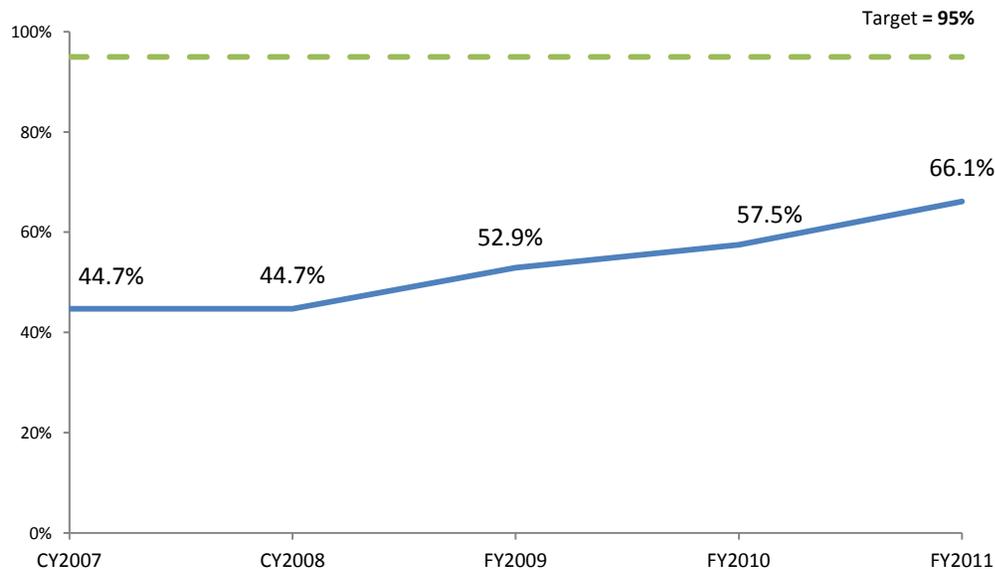
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Adequate Safeguards for Physically Assaultive/Aggressive Youth (PAAY)

Children identified as physically assaultive or physically aggressive (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.

Statewide Performance



SUMMARY

- FY2011 performance was 66.1% for ensuring adequate safeguards are in place for Physically Assaultive/Aggressive Youth (PAAY).
- Performance on this outcome has improved over the past three years. FY2011 performance is approximately 9% higher than FY2010.
- Regional performance during FY2011 ranged between 58-92%. Region 1 South was the highest performer.
- Compliance is an aggregate of caregiver responses to two questions and 69% of caregivers reported receiving specialized training to care for PAAY youth and 91.2% reported plans met safety and supervision needs.
- Care for youth who are Physically Assaultive or Aggressive requires special skills and thoughtful plans to supervise the youth.

DATA SOURCE: Survey of Foster Parents and Caregivers in Washington State, administered by WSU

MEASURE DEFINITION: Percentage of children identified as physically assaultive or physically aggressive (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.

DATA NOTES: **1** Results for this outcome include interview responses from randomly selected licensed foster parents and unlicensed caregivers. **2** This outcome measure was significantly changed following the 2007 survey. In the 2007 survey, SAY and PAAY were combined into a single outcome. Beginning with the 2008 survey, separate outcomes were measured for SAY and PAAY. **3** A definition of "physically assaultive / aggressive youth" was added to the survey in 2009, along with a second screening question (Q110A) to help ensure that only caregivers who cared for children meeting this definition would be included in the outcome calculation. (See complete data notes on page 30)

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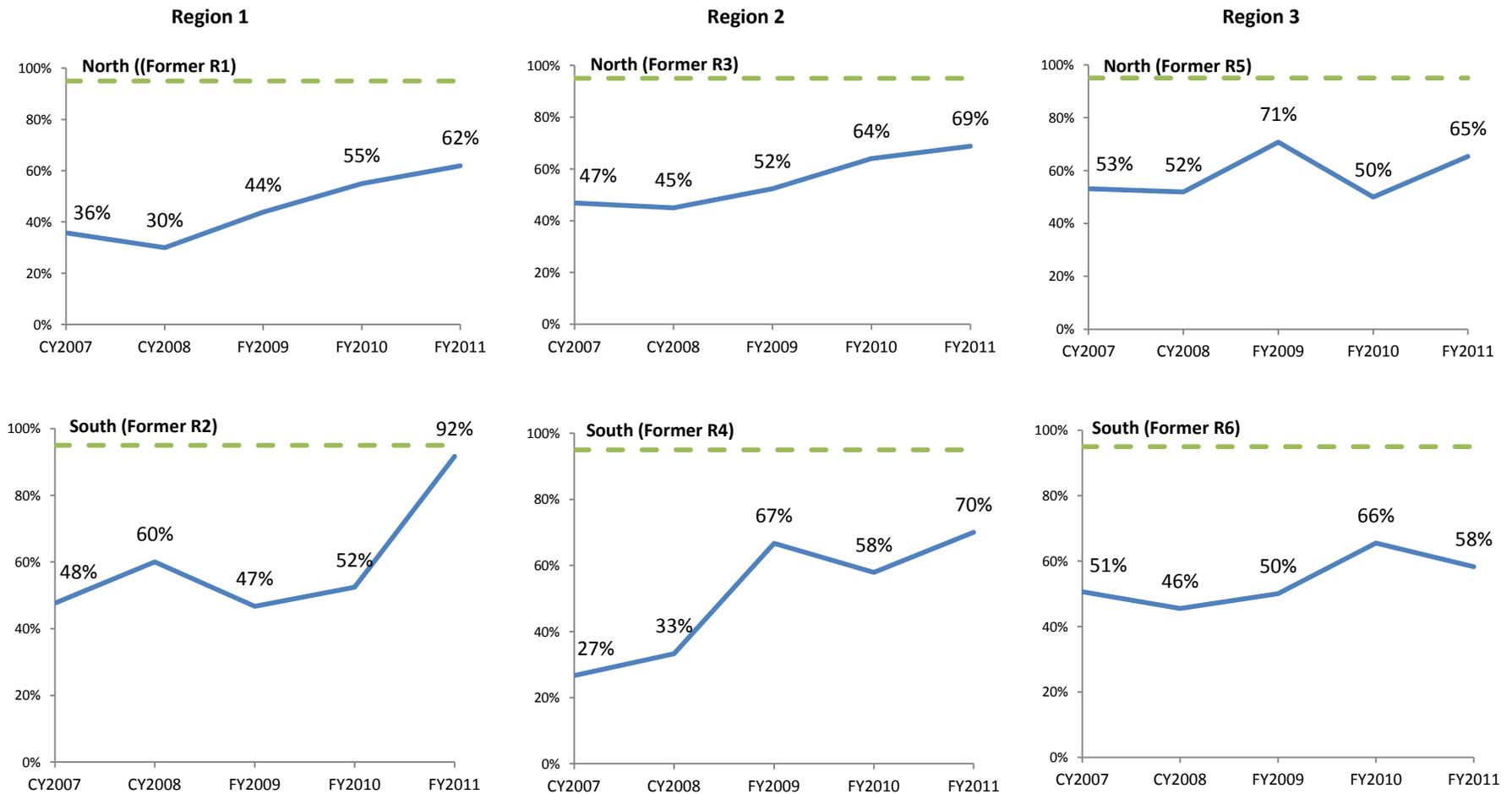
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Adequate Safeguards for Physically Assaultive/Aggressive Youth (PAAY) by Region

Children identified as physically assaultive or physically aggressive (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.

Benchmark 95%



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Adequate Safeguards for Physically Assaultive/Aggressive Youth (PAAY)

Children identified as physically assaultive or physically aggressive (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.

Measure definition	Percentage of children identified as physically assaultive or physically aggressive (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.
Data source	Survey of Foster Parents and Caregivers in Washington State
Data supplier	John Tarnai, Ph.D., Principal Investigator and Bruce Austin, M.S., Study Director, Social and Economic Research Center, Washington State University
Period	State Fiscal Year
Next update	March 2012 (Semi-Annual Report)
Data notes	<p>1 Results for this outcome include interview responses from randomly selected licensed foster parents and unlicensed caregivers.</p> <p>2 This outcome measure was significantly changed following the 2007 survey. In the 2007 survey, SAY and PAAY were combined into a single outcome. Beginning with the 2008 survey, separate outcomes were measured for SAY and PAAY.</p> <p>3 A definition of "physically assaultive / aggressive youth" was added to the survey in 2009, along with a second screening question (Q110A) to help ensure that only caregivers who cared for children meeting this definition would be included in the outcome calculation.</p> <p>4 Performance requires caregivers' answers to both Q109 and Q113 be "Yes" to be considered in compliance. Q109 - "Have you received specialized training to care for a child identified as physically assaultive or physically aggressive, sometimes referred to as PAAY." Q113 - "Did the plan meet the safety and supervision needs of the children in your home."</p> <p>5 To view the complete FY2011 Survey of Foster Parents and Caregivers in Washington State Report published by Washington State University and prior year reports visit the CA internet site at the following web address: http://www.dshs.wa.gov/ca/about/imp_settlement.asp</p> <p>6 Compliance with this outcome requires the full compliance measure to be met. In addition, no region's performance may be more than 10 percentage points lower than the full compliance measure.</p>

DATA

DATE	Statewide Rate	TARGET	Total Applicable Children	Region 1				Region 2				Region 3			
				North (Former R1)		South (Former R2)		North (Former R3)		South (Former R4)		North (Former R5)		South (Former R6)	
				Percent	Count										
CY2007	44.7%	95%	358	36%	30 of 54	48%	21 of 44	47%	23 of 26	27%	8 of 30	53%	34 of 64	51%	44 of 87
CY2008	44.7%	95%	150	30%	9 of 30	60%	15 of 25	45%	9 of 20	33%	5 of 15	52%	14 of 27	46%	15 of 33
FY2009	52.9%	95%	170	44%	14 of 32	47%	14 of 30	52%	11 of 21	67%	10 of 15	71%	17 of 24	50%	24 of 48
FY2010	57.5%	95%	160	55%	22 of 40	52%	11 of 21	64%	16 of 25	58%	11 of 19	50%	13 of 26	66%	19 of 29
FY2011	66.1%	95%	121	62%	13 of 21	92%	11 of 12	69%	11 of 16	70%	7 of 10	65%	17 of 26	58%	21 of 36

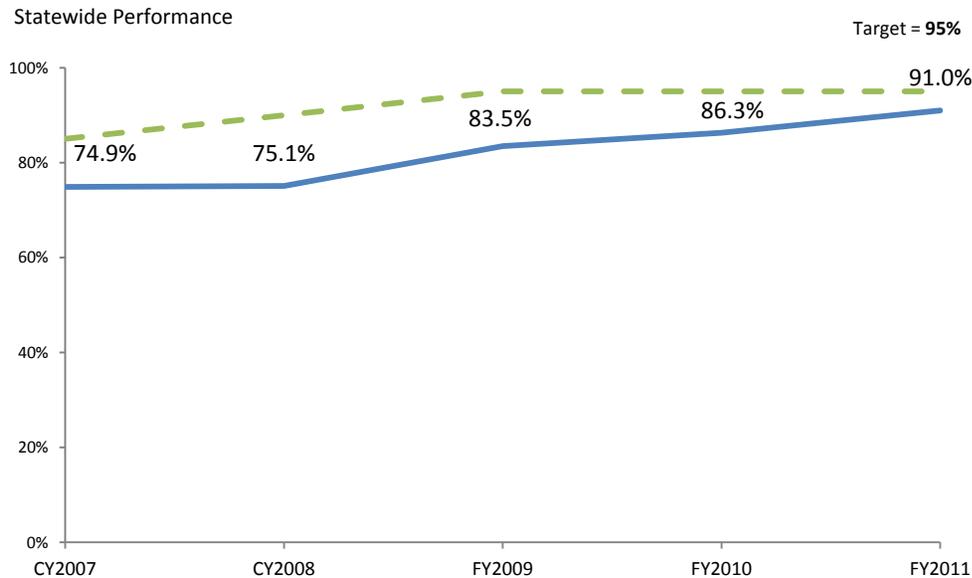
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Adequate Training and Care for Medically Fragile Children

Medically fragile children will be connected to ongoing and appropriate medical care and placed with caregivers who have specialized skills or receive consultation and ongoing training regarding their caretaking responsibilities for the medical condition.



SUMMARY

- For FY2011, 91% of foster parents reported adequate safeguards are in place for medically fragile children and youth.
- Performance has improved during the past three years.
- Regional performance during FY2011 ranged between 83-100%. Region 2 South was the highest performer.
- Children's Administration is committed to ensuring children receive services responsive to their needs and takes very seriously the needs of medically fragile children. CA recognizes caregivers of medically fragile children provide a critical service and have unique and specialized training and support needs.

DATA SOURCE: Survey of Foster Parents and Caregivers in Washington State, administered by WSU

MEASURE DEFINITION: Percentage of medically fragile children who are connected to ongoing and appropriate medical care and placed with caregivers who have specialized skills or receive consultation and ongoing training regarding their caretaking responsibilities for the medical condition.

DATA NOTES: 1 Results for this question include interview responses from randomly selected licensed foster parents and unlicensed caregivers. 2 A definition of "medically fragile" was added to the survey in 2009, along with a third screening question to help ensure only caregivers who cared for children meeting this definition would be included in the outcome calculation. 3 Only foster parents and caregivers who answer "yes" to having a child identified by the agency as medically fragile placed into their home are included in the calculation. Answers to both Q38 and Q39 must be "yes" to be considered in compliance. (See complete Data Notes on page 33)

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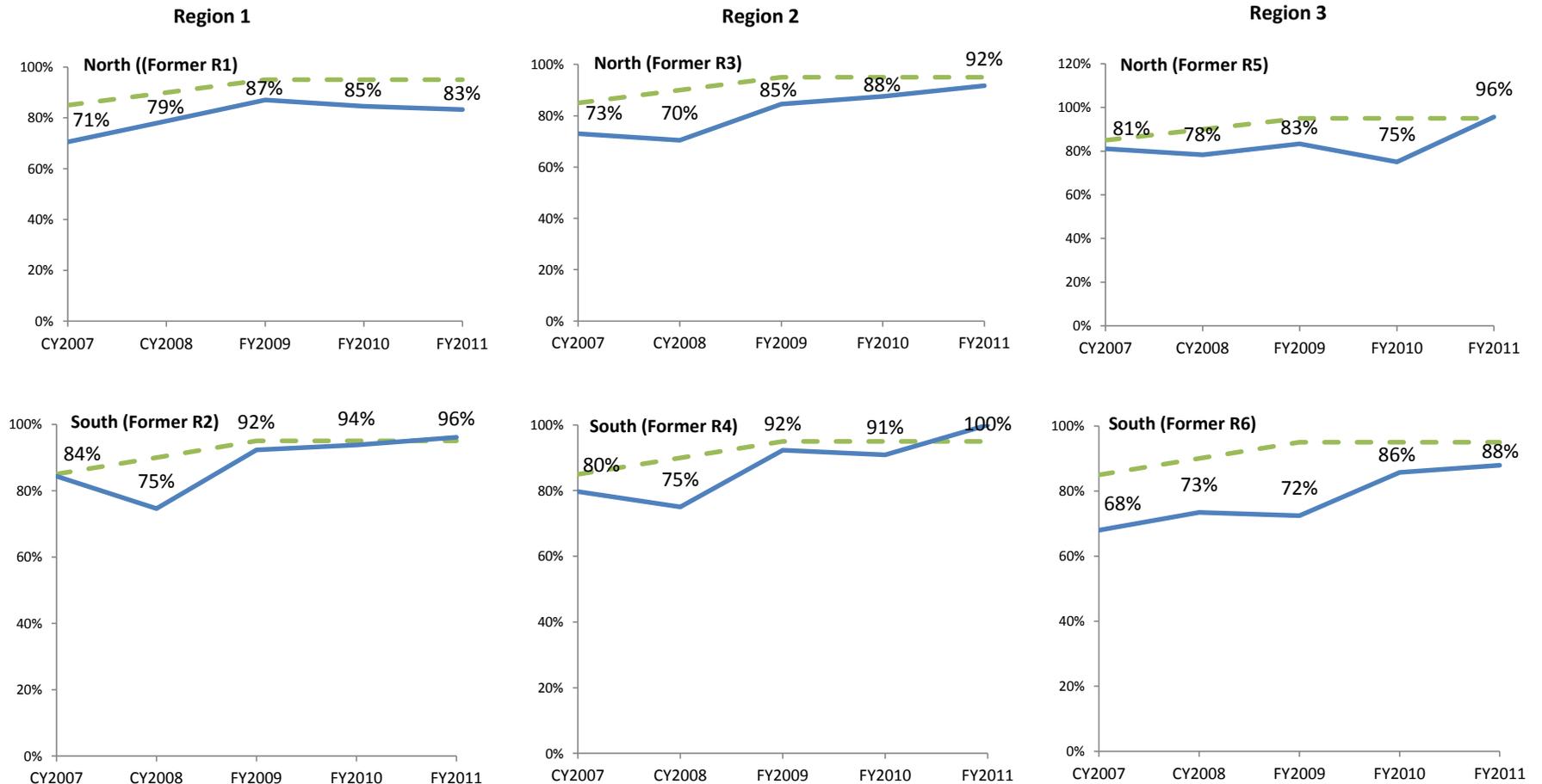
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Adequate Training and Care for Medically Fragile Children by Reigon

Medically fragile children will be connected to ongoing and appropriate medical care and placed with caregivers who have specialized skills or receive consultation and ongoing training regarding their caretaking responsibilities for the medical condition.

Benchmark 95%



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Adequate Training and Care for Medically Fragile Children

Medically fragile children will be connected to ongoing and appropriate medical care and placed with caregivers who have specialized skills or receive consultation and ongoing training regarding their caretaking responsibilities for the medical condition.

Measure definition	Percentage of medically fragile children who are connected to ongoing and appropriate medical care and placed with caregivers who have specialized skills or receive consultation and ongoing training regarding their caretaking responsibilities for the medical condition.
Data source	Survey of Foster Parents and Caregivers in Washington State
Data supplier	John Tarnai, Ph.D., Principal Investigator and Bruce Austin, M.S., Study Director, Social and Economic Research Center, Washington State University
Period	State Fiscal Year
Next update	March 2012 (Semi-Annual Report)
Data notes	<p>1 Results for this question include interview responses from randomly selected licensed foster parents and unlicensed caregivers.</p> <p>2 A definition of “medically fragile” was added to the survey in 2009, along with a third screening question to help ensure only caregivers who cared for children meeting this definition would be included in the outcome calculation.</p> <p>3 Only foster parents and caregivers who answer “yes” to having a child identified by the agency as medically fragile placed into their home are included in the calculation. Answers to both Q38 and Q39 must be "Yes" to be considered in compliance. Q38 - "In the (time period) did you need medical care for (this/these) children(ren)?" Q39 - "In (time period) were you connected to ongoing and appropriate medical care for (this/these) child(ren)?"</p> <p>4 To view the complete FY2011 Survey of Foster Parents and Caregivers in Washington State Report published by Washington State University and prior year reports visit the CA internet site at the following web address: http://www.dshs.wa.gov/ca/about/imp_settlement.asp</p> <p>5 Compliance with this outcome requires the full compliance measure to be met. In addition, no region’s performance may be more than 10 percentage points lower than the full compliance measure.</p>

DATA

DATE	Statewide Rate	TARGET	Total Applicable Children	Region 1				Region 2				Region 3			
				North (Former R1)		South (Former R2)		North (Former R3)		South (Former R4)		North (Former R5)		South (Former R6)	
				Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count
CY2007	74.9%	85%	390	71%	67 of 95	84%	38 of 45	73%	46 of 63	80%	47 of 59	81%	43 of 53	68%	51 of 75
CY2008	75.1%	90%	485	79%	82 of 104	75%	44 of 59	70%	57 of 81	75%	54 of 72	78%	47 of 60	73%	80 of 109
FY2009	83.5%	95%	218	87%	40 of 46	92%	24 of 26	85%	22 of 26	92%	24 of 26	83%	30 of 36	72%	42 of 58
FY2010	86.3%	95%	95	85%	22 of 26	94%	15 of 16	88%	14 of 16	91%	10 of 11	75%	9 of 12	86%	12 of 14
FY2011	91.0%	95%	178	83%	40 of 48	96%	25 of 26	92%	22 of 24	100%	24 of 24	96%	22 of 23	88%	29 of 33

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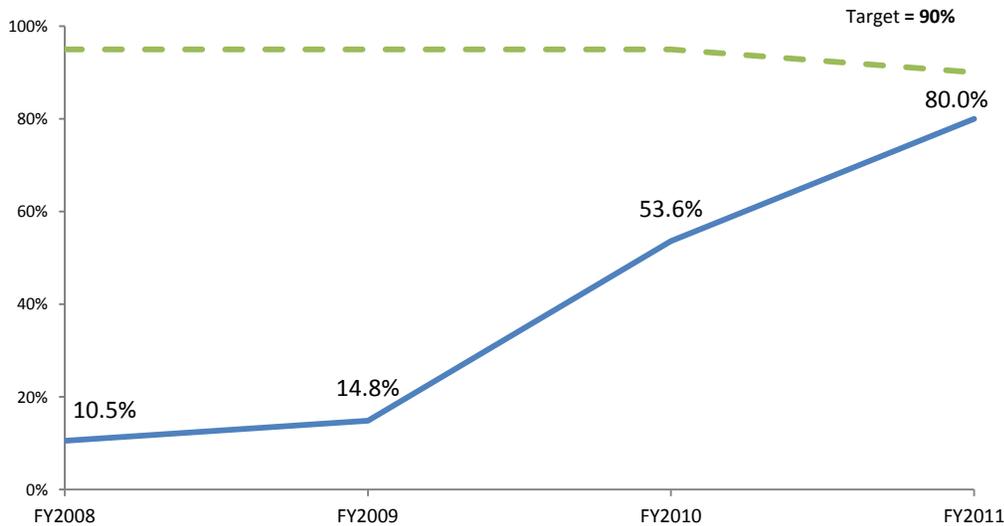
PERFORMANCE MEASURE

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Monthly Health and Safety Visits with Children

Children in out-of-home care will receive a private and individual face-to-face health and safety visit from their assigned caseworker, or acceptable substitute worker, at least once every calendar month for every full month in care during the fiscal year.

Statewide Performance



SUMMARY

- During FY2011, 80.0% of children requiring health and safety visits were visited by their social worker every full calendar month they were in care during the fiscal year.
- Performance shows substantial improvement since FY2008.
- Region 2 North was the highest performer during FY2011 at 90.1%. All regions showed marked improvement on this outcome during the last fiscal year.
- In January 2012, the Administration for Children and Families modified the Federal requirements for reporting data on monthly social worker visits effective October 1, 2011.
- **Revised Measure:** The revised agreement lowers the full compliance measure from 95% to 90% which is consistent with the Federal Measure.
- Conducting monthly visits with children in foster care is a critical practice as regular visits help ensure children are safe from harm, are healthy, and their needs are being met. Visits also provide an opportunity to engage children and caregivers in case planning and support their progress in meeting identified goals.

DATA SOURCE: FamLink; supplied by Lee Doran, Lead Analyst, Children's Administration

MEASURE DEFINITION: The percentage of children in care for at least one full month and in DCFS custody who received at least one visit during every month in care for a full month.

DATA NOTES: **1** Measures the percent of children who were seen by the assigned social worker for a Health and Safety visit each month they were in a full month of care (in placement on the 1st day of the month and no discharge during the month). **2** Population includes children in out of home placement under the age of 18 and under CA Placement and Care Authority at least a full month during the fiscal year. **3** Performance includes "Visits Conducted by Other Agencies" which are included in reports to the Governor's office. A random review indicates the majority are Interstate Compact for Placement of Children (ICPC) cases and visits by CA social workers inaccurately coded. **4** Starting with FY2010, the data is from the new Data Warehouse, which is still being validated. The new report increases the number of children requiring visits as the Data Warehouse better accounts for dependent children at home (trial return home). (See complete Data Notes on page 36)

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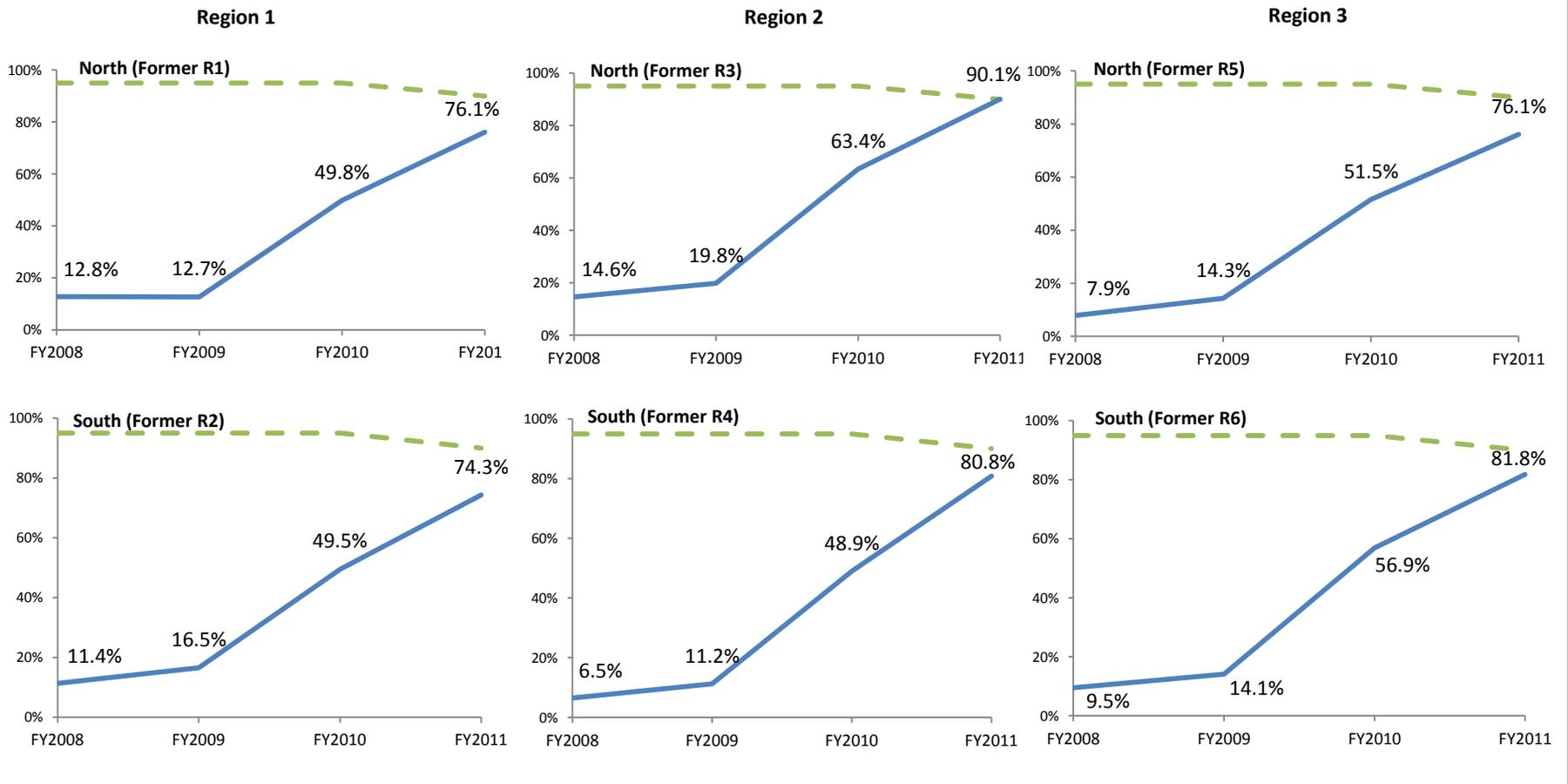
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Monthly Health and Safety Visits with Children by Region

Children in out-of-home care will receive a private and individual face-to-face health and safety visit from their assigned caseworker, or acceptable substitute worker, at least once every calendar month for every full month in care during the fiscal year.

Benchmark 90%



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Monthly Health and Safety Visits with Children

Children in out-of-home care will receive a private and individual face-to-face health and safety visit from their assigned caseworker, or acceptable substitute worker, at least once every calendar month for every full month in care during the fiscal year.

Measure definition	Percentage of children who received a visit from an acceptable worker consistent with the federal social worker monthly visit measure in each of the prior full calendar month they were in care.
Data source	FamLink
Data supplier	Lee Doran, Lead Analyst, Children's Administration Technology Services (CATS)
Period	State Fiscal Year
Next update	March 2012 (Semi-Annual Report)
Data notes	<p>1 Measures the percent of children who were seen by the assigned social worker for a Health and Safety visit each month they were in a full month of care (in placement on the 1st day of the month and no discharge during the month).</p> <p>2 Population includes children in out of home placement under the age of 18 and under CA Placement and Care Authority at least a full month during the fiscal year.</p> <p>3 Performance includes "Visits Conducted by Other Agencies" which are included in reports to the Governor's office. A random review indicates the majority are Interstate Compact for Placement of Children (ICPC) cases and visits by CA social workers inaccurately coded.</p> <p>4 Starting with FY2010, the data is from the new Data Warehouse, which is still being validated. The new report increases the number of children requiring visits as the Data Warehouse better accounts for dependent children at home (trial return home).</p> <p>5 Compliance with this outcome requires the full compliance measure to be met. In addition, no region's performance may be more than 10 percentage points lower than the full compliance measure.</p>

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DATE	Statewide Performance	TARGET	Region 1		Region 2		Region 3	
			North (Former R1)	South (Former R2)	North (Former R3)	South (Former R4)	North (Former R5)	South (Former R6)
FY2008	10.5%	95%	12.8%	11.4%	14.6%	6.5%	7.9%	9.5%
FY2009	14.8%	95%	12.7%	16.5%	19.8%	11.2%	14.3%	14.1%
FY2010	53.6%	95%	49.8%	49.5%	63.4%	48.9%	51.5%	56.9%
FY2011	80.0%	90%	76.1%	74.3%	90.1%	80.8%	76.1%	81.8%

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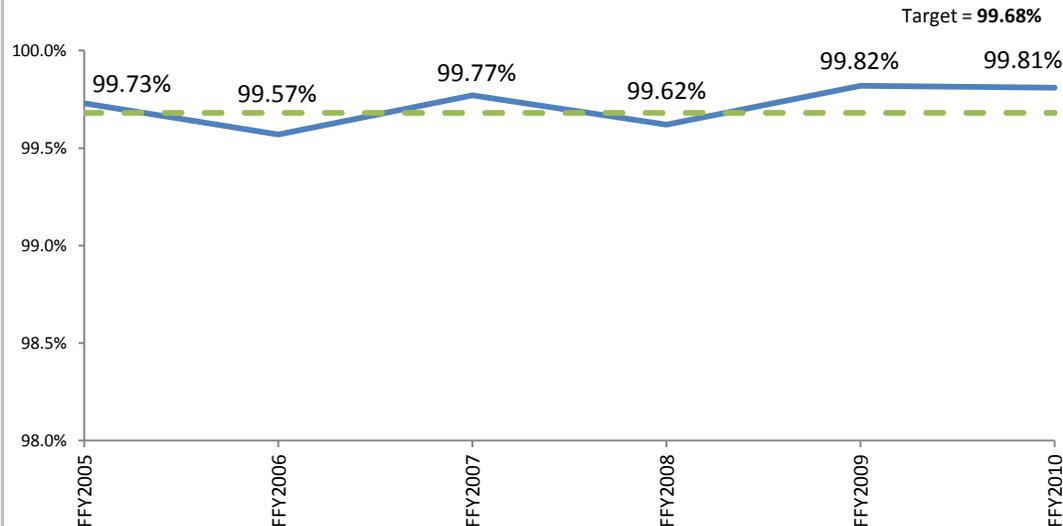
PERFORMANCE MEASURE

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Victims of Child Abuse and/or Neglect by Licensed Foster Parent or Facility Staff

The percentage of children who are not victims of a founded report of child abuse or neglect by a foster parent or facility staff member will meet or exceed the federal Child and Family Services Review (Round 2) standard.

Statewide Performance



SUMMARY

- FFY2010 performance of 99.81% exceeded the federal Child and Family Services Review standard of 99.68%.
- CA has met the benchmark for four of the past six years.
- CA is committed to ensuring children and youth are safe from abuse and neglect in out-of-home care.

DATA SOURCE: AFCARS Profile; supplied by Cindy Ellingston, Program Manager, Children's Administration

MEASURE DEFINITION: Percent of children in out-of-home care without a founded allegation of abuse or neglect by a foster parent or facility staff person, including non-licensed relatives.

DATA NOTES: **1** Measure as reported in the Washington Child and Family Services Review (CFSR) Data Profile: February 1, 2012. **2** CFSR Measure: Absence of Child Abuse and/or Neglect in Foster Care (12 months) has a federal standard 99.68% or more (or 0.32 percent or less). The national median = 99.5% and 25th percentile for state performance= 99.30%. **3** The CFSR data element is defined as "Of all children who were served in foster care during the reporting period, what percentage were found not to be victims of "substantiated" or "indicated" maltreatment." **4** A child is counted as having been maltreated in foster care if the perpetrator of the maltreatment was identified as a foster parent or residential facility staff. **5** 2005 - 2009 data and labels have been updated to reflect the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) performance period and replaces all previous performance data submitted to the Braam Oversight Panel. Due to the difference in State and Federal reporting periods, this measure has a data lag of approximately one year. (See complete Data Notes on page 38)

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Child Abuse and/or Neglect in Licensed Care

The percentage of children who are not victims of a founded report of child abuse or neglect by a foster parent or facility staff member will meet or exceed the federal Child and Family Services Review (Round 2) standard.

Measure definition	Percent of children in out-of-home care without a founded allegation of abuse or neglect by a foster parent or facility staff person, including non-licensed relatives
Data source	AFCARS Profile
Data supplier	Cindy Ellingson, Program Manager, Children's Administration
Period	Federal Fiscal Year
Next update	September 2012 (Semi-Annual Report)
Data notes	<p>1 Measure as reported in the Washington Child and Family Services Review (CFSR) Data Profile: February 1, 2012.</p> <p>2 CFSR Measure: Absence of Child Abuse and/or Neglect in Foster Care (12 months) has a federal standard 99.68% or more (or 0.32 percent or less). The national median = 99.5% and 25th percentile for state performance= 99.30%.</p> <p>3 The CFSR data element is defined as "Of all children who were served in foster care during the reporting period, what percentage were found not to be victims of "substantiated" or "indicated" maltreatment."</p> <p>4 A child is counted as having been maltreated in foster care if the perpetrator of the maltreatment was identified as a foster parent or residential facility staff.</p> <p>5 2005 - 2009 data has been updated to reflect the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) performance period and replaces all previous performance data submitted to the Braam Oversight Panel. Due to the difference in State and Federal reporting periods, this measure has a data lag of approximately one year.</p> <p>6 Measure excludes parents as perpetrators.</p> <p>7 Counts of children maltreated in foster care are derived from NCANDS, while counts of children placed in foster care are derived from AFCARS.</p>

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DATE	Statewide Ratio	Target	Region 1		Region 2		Region 3	
			North (Former R1)	South (Former R2)	North (Former R3)	South (Former R4)	North (Former R5)	South (Former R6)
FFY2005	99.73%	99.68%	Regional Break-Outs Do Not Apply to this Measure					
FFY2006	99.57%	99.68%						
FFY2007	99.77%	99.68%						
FFY2008	99.62%	99.68%						
FFY2009	99.82%	99.68%						
FFY2010	99.81%	99.68%						

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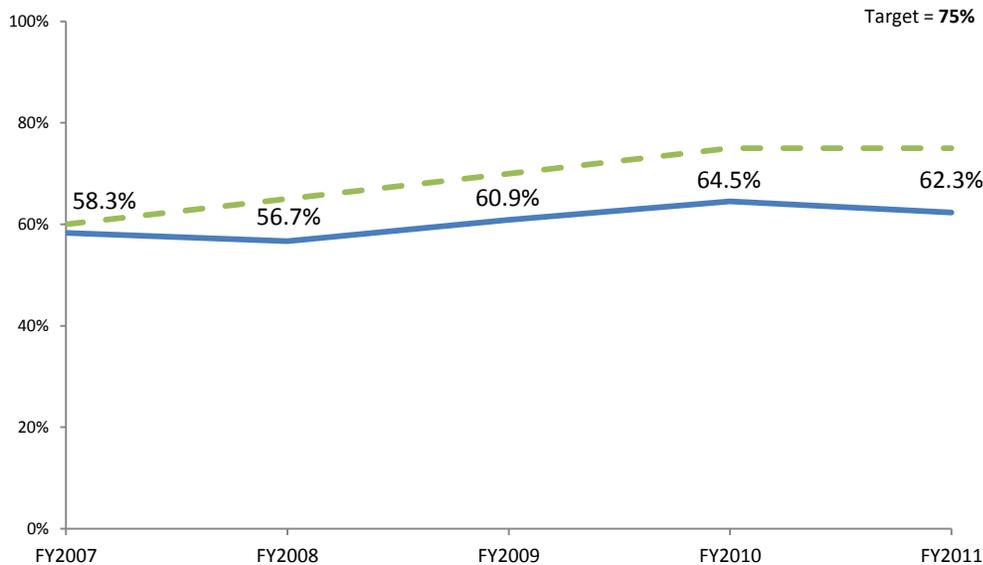
PERFORMANCE MEASURE

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Sibling Placement (All Siblings)

Children in out-of-home care will be placed with all siblings who are also in out-of-home care whenever possible.

Statewide Performance



SUMMARY

- During FY2011, 62.3% of children placed in out-of-home care were placed with all of their siblings who were also placed in out-of-home care. This outcome shows improvement in the number of sibling groups placed together over time, however is a slight decline from FY2010.
- Regions 1 North and 2 North were the highest performers during FY2011 at 68%. Over time Region 3 North has had the fewest number of sibling groups all placed together with 49% in FY2011.
- Performance in Regions 2 South and 3 South remained steady during FY2011, while performance in the remaining regions showed a slight decrease in comparison to FY2010.
- Children's Administration is concerned about diminished performance in FY2011 and is analyzing the results of a targeted review of cases involving the placement of siblings to deepen our understanding of the barriers to placing siblings together and strategies that will improve our performance.
- Placing sibling groups in the same home maintains family connections and reduces the loss experienced by children removed from their home.

DATA SOURCE: FamLink, Data Warehouse, David Marshall, Performance Analyst, Children's Administration

MEASURE DEFINITION: Percentage of siblings removed together during the fiscal year and in care for at least 30 days who were placed with all other removed siblings.

DATA NOTES: **1** Counts the number and percentage of children, in out of home care more than 30 days, that are placed with all of their siblings at initial placement, for all children with siblings under CA Placement and Care Authority. **2** Uses a fiscal year entry cohort for each child entering out-of-home care. **3** Population excludes children in non-family home settings: Behavioral Rehabilitative Services, respite, hospital, Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration, On the Run, and Crisis Residential Center. **4** Measure is based on identifying the child's first placement setting in the removal episode and placement services authorized to identify their first placement in a licensed or unlicensed foster home with the exclusions identified in Data Note #3. **5** Population includes children placed into out of home care with full, half, and step siblings also removed within 7 days of each other. (See complete Data Notes on page 41)

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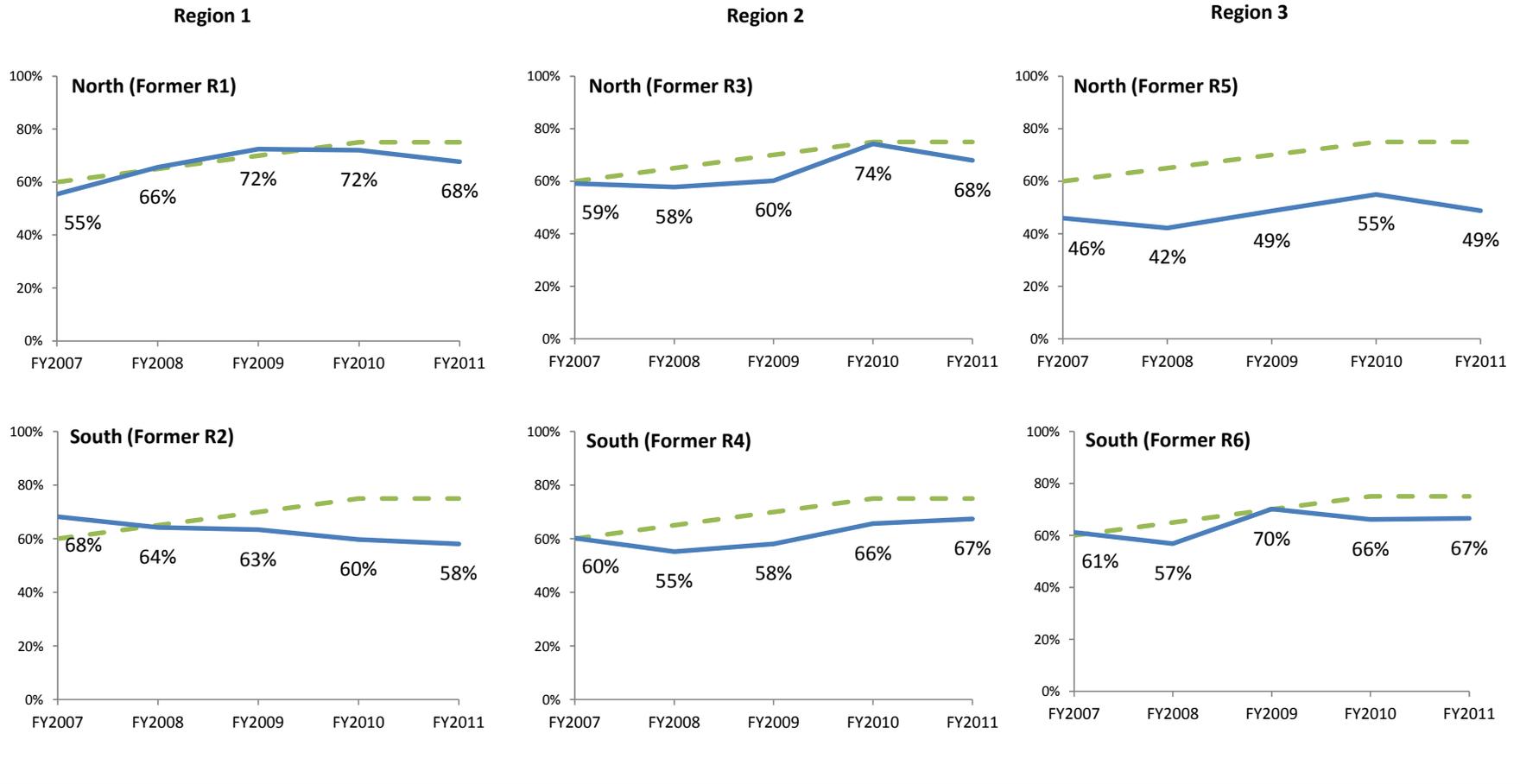
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Sibling Placement (All Siblings) by Region

Children in out-of-home care will be placed with all siblings who are also in out-of-home care whenever possible.

Benchmark 75%



Children's Administration

Sibling Placement (All Siblings)

Children in out-of-home care will be placed with all siblings who are also in out-of-home care whenever possible.

Measure definition	Percentage of siblings removed together during the fiscal year and in care for at least 30 days who were placed with all other removed siblings.
Data source	FamLink
Data supplier	David Marshall, Performance Analyst, Children's Administration Technology Services (CATS)
Period	State Fiscal Year
Next update	March 2012 (Semi-Annual Report)
Data notes	<p>1 Counts the number and percentage of children, in out of home care more than 30 days, that are placed with all of their siblings at initial placement, for all children with siblings under CA Placement and Care Authority.</p> <p>2 Uses a fiscal year entry cohort for each child entering out-of-home care.</p> <p>3 Population excludes children in non-family home settings: Behavioral Rehabilitative Services, respite, hospital, Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration, On the Run, and Crisis Residential Center.</p> <p>4 Measure is based on identifying the child's first placement setting in the removal episode and placement services authorized to identify their first placement in a licensed or unlicensed foster home with the exclusions identified in Data Note #3.</p> <p>5 Population includes children placed into out of home care with full, half, and step siblings also removed within 7 days of each other.</p> <p>6 Population excludes some sibling groups and children within a sibling group that appear to be missing sibling relationship information in the Relationship Matrix in FamLink. Changes to the Relationship Matrix in FamLink are effective as of the date the information was changed and are unable to impact FY2010 data. The estimated impact to performance is currently unknown but is estimated to be minimal in data aggregated statewide.</p> <p>7 Compliance with this outcome requires the full compliance measure to be met. In addition, no region's performance may be more than 10 percentage points lower than the full compliance measure.</p>

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DATE	Statewide Performance	TARGET	Total Applicable Children	Region 1				Region 2				Region 3			
				North (Former R1)		South (Former R2)		North (Former R3)		South (Former R4)		North (Former R5)		South (Former R6)	
				Percent	Count										
FY2007	58.3%	60%	Data not readily available	55%	Data not readily available	68%	Data not readily available	59%	Data not readily available	60%	Data not readily available	46%	Data not readily available	61%	Data not readily available
FY2008	56.7%	65%	2385	66%	readily available	64%	readily available	58%	readily available	55%	readily available	42%	readily available	57%	readily available
FY2009	60.9%	70%	1723	72%	available	63%	available	60%	available	58%	available	49%	available	70%	available
FY2010	64.5%	75%	1237	72%	126	60%	129	74%	209	66%	131	55%	338	66%	251
FY2011	62.3%	75%	1320	68%	153	58%	75	68%	178	67%	95	49%	143	67%	179

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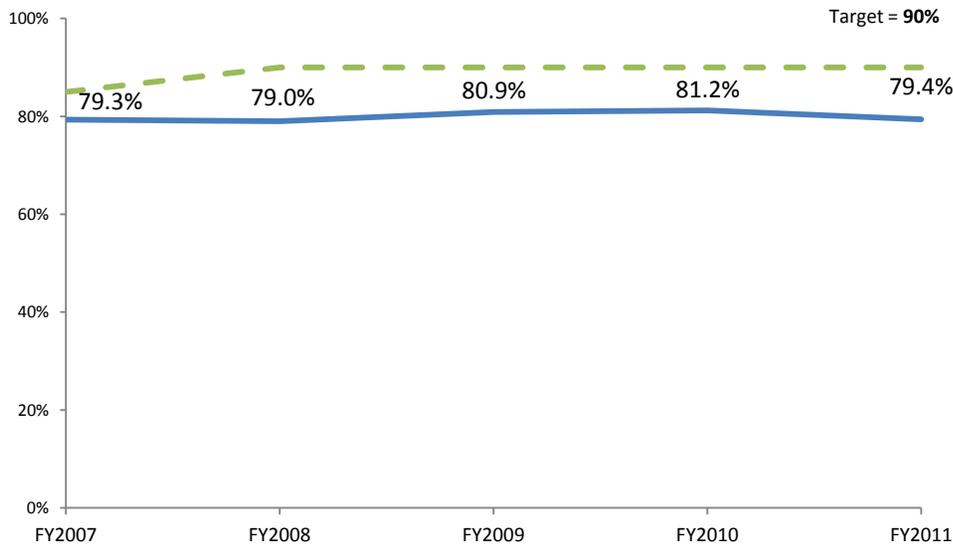
PERFORMANCE MEASURE

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Sibling Placement (All or Some Siblings)

Children in out-of-home care will be placed with at least one sibling who is also in out-of-home care whenever possible.

Statewide Performance



SUMMARY

- During FY2011, 79.4% of children placed in out-of-home care were placed with at least one of their brothers or sisters who was also placed in out-of-home care.
- Performance has remained relatively stable during the last five fiscal years with FY performance ranging between 79% - 81%.
- Region 2 North was the highest performer during FY2011 at 87%. Over time, Region 3 North consistently has the fewest number of children placed with at least one brother or sister; FY2011 performance was 67%. Region 2 North has the highest number of children in siblings groups being placed during FY2011.
- In comparisons to FY2010, Region2 South had an increase in performance and performance in all other Regions decreased.
- Children's Administration is concerned about diminished performance in FY2011 and is analyzing the results of a targeted review of cases involving the placement of siblings to deepen our understanding of the barriers to placing siblings together and strategies that will improve our performance.
- Placing sibling groups in the same home maintains family connections and reduces the loss experienced by children removed from their home.

DATA SOURCE: FamLink, Data Warehouse, David Marshall, Performance Analyst, Children's Administration

MEASURE DEFINITION: Percentage of siblings removed together during the fiscal year and in care for at least 30 days who were placed with at least one other removed sibling.

DATA NOTES: **1** Counts the number and percentage of children, in out of home care more than 30 days, that are placed with one or more of their siblings, for all children with siblings under CA Placement and Care Authority. **2** Uses a fiscal year entry cohort for each child entering out-of-home care. **3** Population excludes children in non-family home settings: Behavioral Rehabilitative Services, respite, hospital, Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration, On the Run, and Crisis Residential Center. **4** Measure is based on identifying the child's first placement setting in the removal episode and placement services authorized to identify their first placement in a licensed or unlicensed foster home with the exclusions identified in Data Note #3. **5** Population includes children placed into out of home care with full, half, and step siblings also removed within 7 days of each other. **6** Population excludes some sibling groups and children within a sibling group that appear to be missing sibling relationship information in the Relationship Matrix in FamLink. (See complete Data Notes on page 44)

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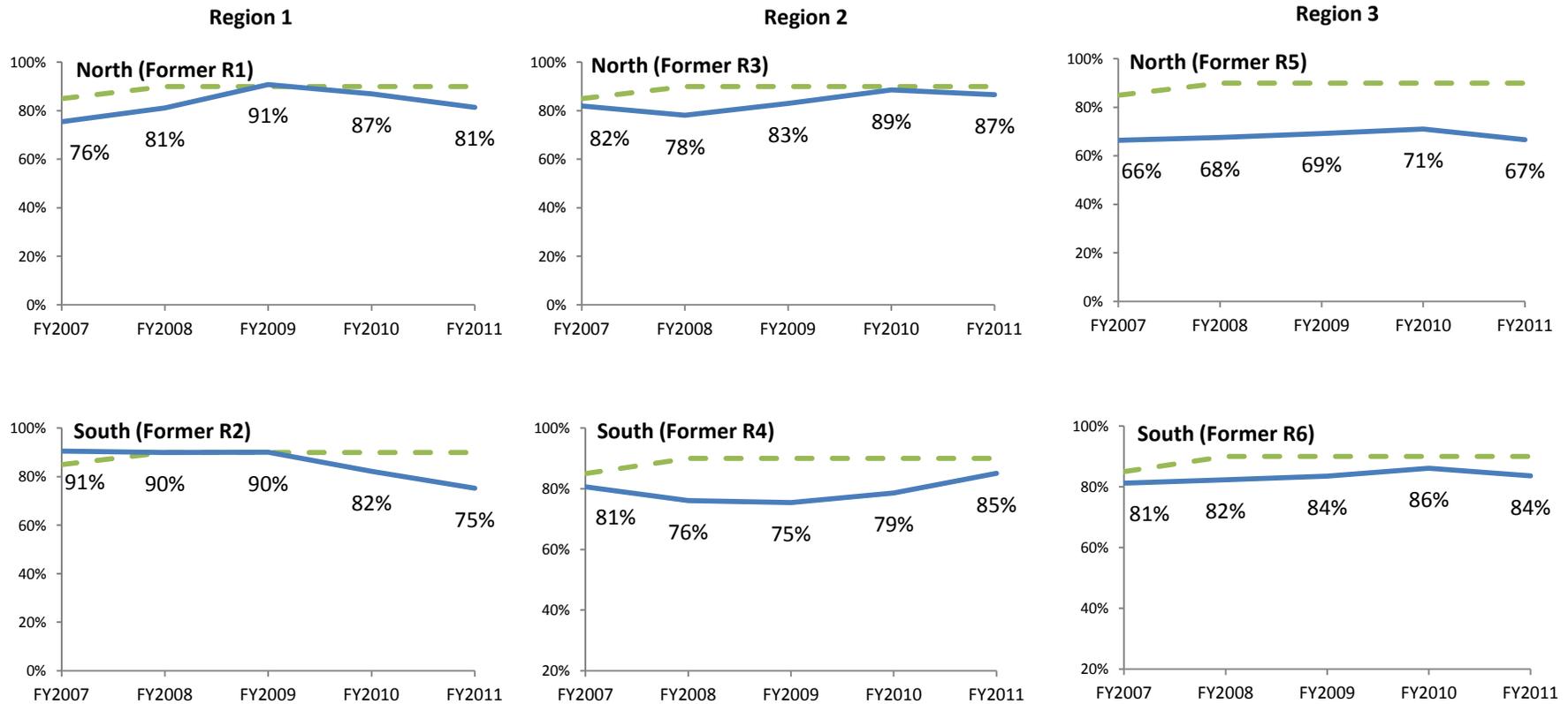
PERFORMANCE MEASURE

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Sibling Placement (All or Some Siblings) by Region

Children in out-of-home care will be placed with at least one sibling who is also in out-of-home care whenever possible.

Benchmark 90%



Children's Administration

Sibling Placement (All or Some Siblings)

Children in out-of-home care will be placed with at least one sibling who is also in out-of-home care whenever possible.

Measure definition	Percentage of siblings removed together during the fiscal year and in care for at least 30 days who were placed with at least one other removed sibling.
Data source	FamLink
Data supplier	David Marshall, Performance Analyst, Children's Administration Technology Services (CATS)
Period	State Fiscal Year
Next update	March 2012 (Semi-Annual Report)
Data notes	<p>1 Counts the number and percentage of children, in out of home care more than 30 days, who are placed with one or more of their siblings, for all children with siblings under CA Placement and Care Authority.</p> <p>2 Uses a fiscal year entry cohort for each child entering out-of-home care.</p> <p>3 Population excludes children in non-family home settings: Behavioral Rehabilitative Services, respite, hospital, Juvenile Rehabilitation Administration, On the Run, and Crisis Residential Center.</p> <p>4 Measure is based on identifying the child's first placement setting in the removal episode and placement services authorized to identify their first placement in a licensed or unlicensed foster home with the exclusions identified in Data Note #3.</p> <p>5 Population includes children placed into out of home care with full, half, and step siblings also removed within 7 days of each other.</p> <p>6 Population excludes some sibling groups and children within a sibling group that appear to be missing sibling relationship information in the Relationship Matrix in FamLink. Changes to the Relationship Matrix in FamLink are effective as of the date the information was changed and are unable to impact FY2010 data. The estimated impact to performance is currently unknown but is estimated to be minimal in data aggregated statewide.</p> <p>7 Compliance with this outcome requires the full compliance measure to be met. In addition, no region's performance may be more than 10 percentage points lower than the full compliance measure.</p>

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				North (Former R1)		South (Former R2)		North (Former R3)		South (Former R4)		North (Former R5)		South (Former R6)	
				Percent	Count										
FY2007	79.3%	85%	Data not readily available	76%	Data not readily available	91%	Data not readily available	82%	Data not readily available	81%	Data not readily available	66%	Data not readily available	81%	Data not readily available
FY2008	79.0%	90%	2385	81%	Data not readily available	90%	Data not readily available	78%	Data not readily available	76%	Data not readily available	68%	Data not readily available	82%	Data not readily available
FY2009	80.9%	90%	1723	91%		90%		83%		75%		69%		84%	
FY2010	81.2%	90%	1237	87%	175	82%	129	89%	209	79%	131	71%	338	86%	251
FY2011	79.4%	90%	1320	81%	184	75%	97	87%	227	85%	120	67%	195	84%	225

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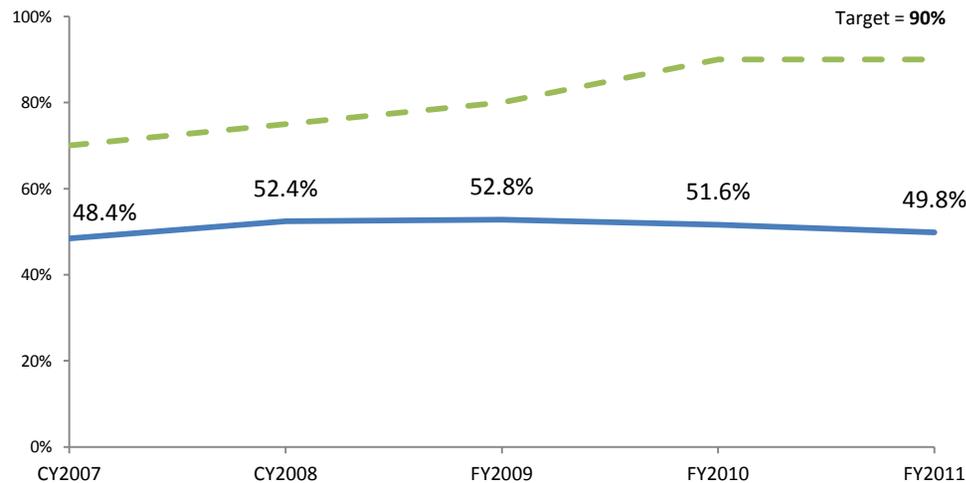
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Sibling Visits / Contacts

Children placed apart from their siblings will have two or more monthly visits or contacts (not including staffing meetings or court events), with some or all of their siblings, unless CA determines or their has been a judicial finding that it is contrary to the child's health, safety or welfare or would hinder reunification efforts.

Statewide Performance



SUMMARY

- During FY2011 caregivers reported 49.8% of children had two or more monthly visits or contacts with at least one of their brothers or sisters.
- Regional performance for FY2011 ranged between 45-57%. Region 3 North was the highest performer.
- This measure has changed over time preventing comparison of performance across time. In 2007, the survey outcome was measured by a single question which asked about visits and contacts with siblings. In 2008, the question was separated into two questions, one about visits, and one about contacts. Prior to FY2010-Q2 the survey was significantly changed to ask questions about each sibling relationship.
- Children's Administration is concerned about diminished performance in FY2011 and is analyzing the results of a targeted review of the visits and contacts siblings who are placed apart have with each other to deepen our understanding of the barriers to visits and strategies that will improve our performance.
- Children's Administration is committed to children being placed with their brothers and sisters and when that is not possible supporting their relationships through frequent visits and contacts.

DATA SOURCE: Survey of Foster Parents and Caregivers in Washington State, administered by WSU

MEASURE DEFINITION: Percentage of children placed apart from their siblings that have two or more monthly visits or contacts (not including staffing meetings or court events), with at least one of their siblings.

DATA NOTES: 1 Results for this outcome include interview responses from randomly selected licensed foster parents and unlicensed and caregivers. 2 This measure has changed over time preventing comparison of performance across time. In 2007, the survey outcome was measured by a single question which asked about visits and contacts with siblings. In 2008, the question was separated into two questions, one about visits, and one about contacts. Prior to FY2010-Q2 the survey was significantly changed to ask questions about each sibling relationship. The revised measurement for this outcome was agreed to in February 2011 by the parties to the Braam Settlement Agreement. 3 This outcome has three screening questions (Q125, Q126 and Q127)... (See complete Data Notes on page 47)

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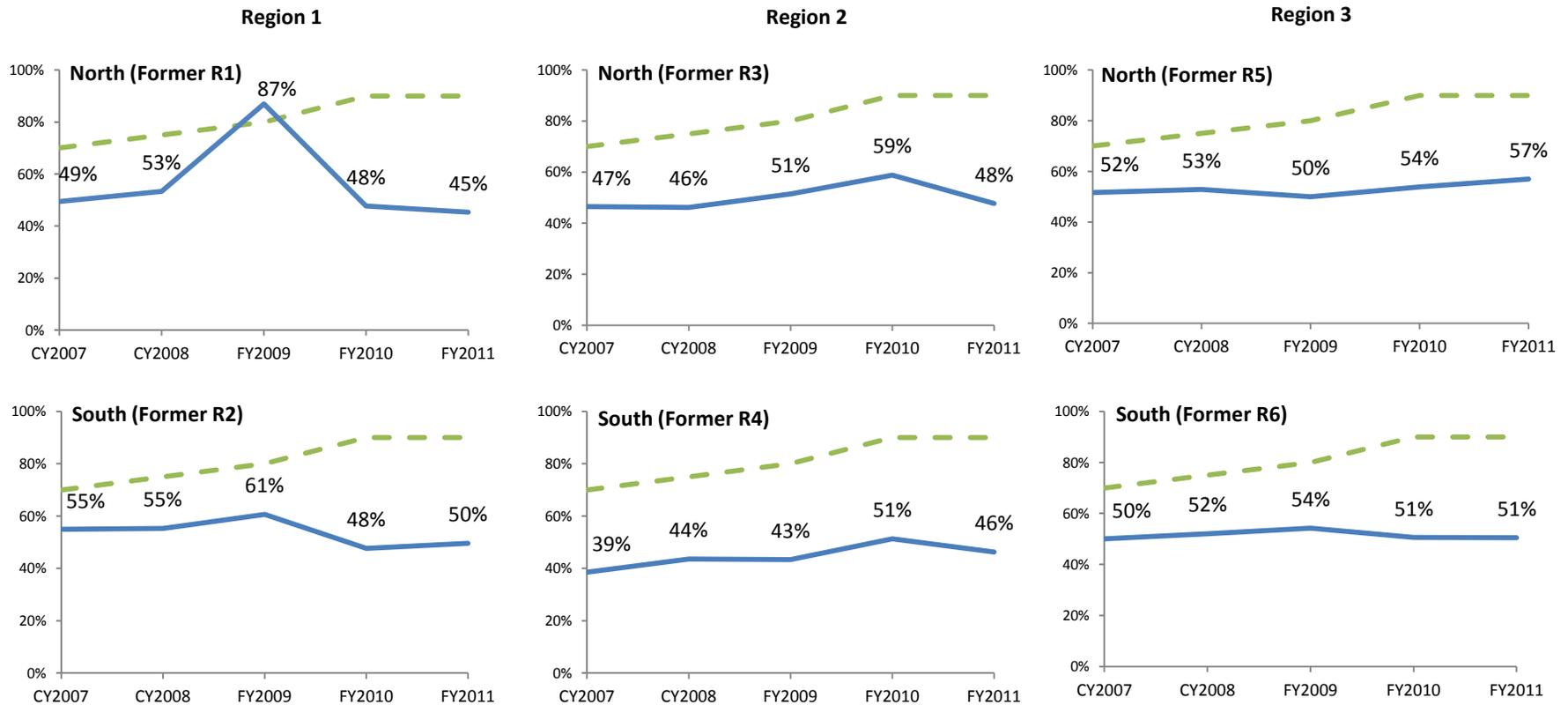
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Sibling Visits / Contacts by Region

Children placed apart from their siblings will have two or more monthly visits or contacts (not including staffing meetings or court events), with some or all of their siblings, unless CA determines or their has been a judicial finding that it is contrary to the child's health, safety or welfare or would hinder reunification efforts.

Benchmark 90%



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Sibling Visits/Contacts

Children placed apart from their siblings will have two or more monthly visits or contacts (not including staffing meetings or court events), with some or all of their siblings, unless CA determines or their has been a judicial finding that it is contrary to the child's health, safety or welfare or would hinder reunification efforts.

Measure definition	Percentage of children placed apart from their siblings that have two or more monthly visits or contacts (not including staffing meetings or court events), with at least one of their siblings.
Data source	Survey of Foster Parents and Caregivers in Washington State
Data supplier	John Tarnai, Ph.D., Principal Investigator and Bruce Austin, M.S., Study Director, Social and Economic Research Center, Washington State University
Period	State Fiscal Year
Next update	March 2012 (Semi-Annual Report)
Data notes	<p>1 Results for this outcome include interview responses from randomly selected licensed foster parents and unlicensed caregivers.</p> <p>2 This measure has changed over time preventing comparison across time. In 2007, the survey outcome was measured by a single question which asked about visits and contacts with siblings. In 2008, the question was separated into two questions, one about visits, and one about contacts. Prior to FY2010-Q2 the survey was significantly changed to ask questions about each sibling relationship. The revised measurement for this outcome was agreed to in February 2011 by the parties to the Braam Settlement Agreement.</p> <p>3 This outcome has three screening 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 2008 (“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.</p> <p>4 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).</p> <p>5 To view the complete FY2011 Survey of Foster Parents and Caregivers in Washington State Report published by Washington State University and prior year reports visit the CA internet site at the following web address: http://www.dshs.wa.gov/ca/about/imp_settlement.asp</p> <p>6 Compliance with this outcome requires the full compliance measure to be met. In addition, no region’s performance may be more than 10 percentage points lower than the full compliance measure.</p>

DATA

DATE	Statewide Performance	TARGET	Total Applicable Children	Region 1				Region 2				Region 3			
				North (Former R1)		South (Former R2)		North (Former R3)		South (Former R4)		North (Former R5)		South (Former R6)	
				Percent	Count	Percent	Count								
CY2007	48.4%	70%	430	49%	40 of 81	55%	28 of 51	47%	33 of 71	39%	25 of 65	52%	32 of 62	50%	50 of 100
CY2008	52.4%	75%	584	53%	57 of 107	55%	42 of 76	46%	55 of 98	44%	34 of 78	53%	54 of 102	52%	64 of 123
FY2009	52.8%	80%	846	87%	86 of 151	61%	60 of 99	51%	73 of 142	43%	49 of 113	50%	70 of 140	54%	109 of 201
FY2010	51.6%	90%	863	48%	94 of 197	48%	49 of 103	59%	87 of 148	51%	59 of 115	54%	69 of 128	51%	87 of 172
FY2011	49.8%	90%	898	45%	72 of 159	50%	60 of 121	48%	61 of 128	46%	56 of 121	57%	102 of 179	51%	96 of 190

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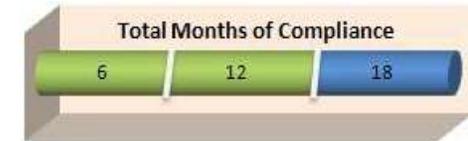
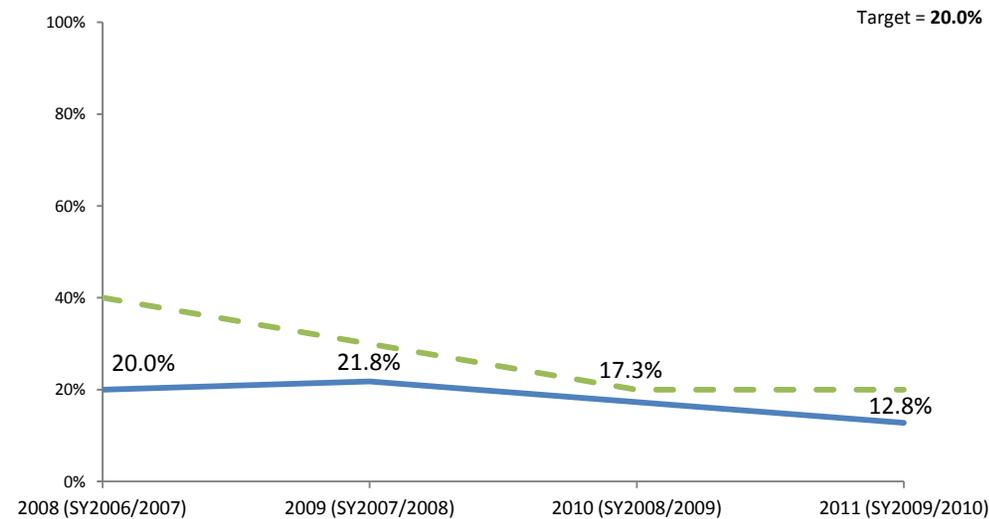
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Changes in School Placement

The number of children (excluding youth placed with relatives or with siblings) who experience a change in school placement when they enter out-of-home care or change placement during the school year will decrease.

Statewide Performance (Goal is to be below the target)



SUMMARY

- Washington continues to meet the benchmark of 20% for keeping children in their original schools when they are placed or moved in out-of-home care (excluding those placed with relatives or with siblings).
- 12.8% of children changed schools during the 2009-2010 school year (791 of 6,198 children placed), compared to the benchmark of less than 20%. All regions are meeting the benchmark with very slight variation in the rate, from a low of 10.6% in Region 1 South to a high of 15.4% in Region 3 South.
- School Year (SY) 2009-2010 performance continues to show improvement from previous school years.
- This measure identifies whether a change of school enrollment occurred when a child or youth was removed from their home during the school year or following a change in placement.
- Of the 12.8% of children who changed schools, 3% occurred at the time of initial placement and about 9% following a change in placement.
- Educational achievement for children in foster care is critical for successful transition to self-sufficiency. Research indicates each time foster children change schools they can lose educational progress and important connections to classmates, teachers, coaches, and others.

DATA SOURCE: OSPI & FamLink; supplied by Lee Doran, Lead Analyst, Children's Administration

MEASURE DEFINITION: Percent of foster youth enrolled in school who change schools when placed or moved while in placement during the school year.

DATA NOTES: **1** Performance measure data are derived from a match between out-of-home care records for youth in care during the school year and Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) attendance records for each month (from the August prior to the August following) during the school year. **2** Population includes children between the ages of 5 and 17.9 on the first day of the school year (9/1) and enrolled in school at any time of the year. **3** Population includes children and youth in out-of-home care for at least 30 days and under CA Placement and Care Authority. **4** The measure identifies whether a change of school enrollment occurred when foster youth were removed from home during the school year and whether a change of school enrollment followed a change in placement during the school year. **5** Relative placements are not counted as placement moves for this measure based on agreement with the Braam Oversight Panel. Temporary placement events are also excluded as a placement move. (See complete Data Notes on page 50)

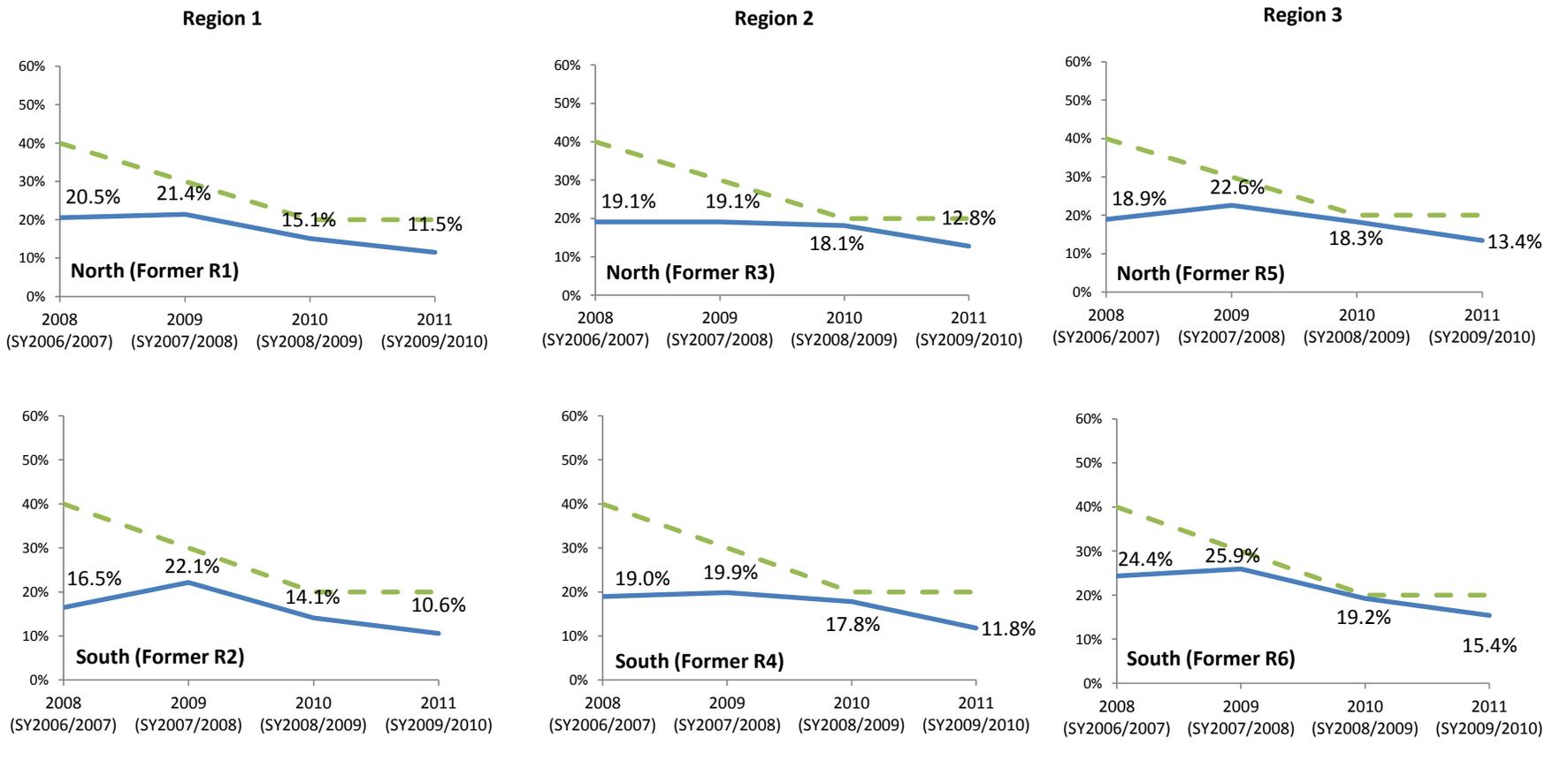
PERFORMANCE MEASURE

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Changes in School Placement by Region

The number of children (excluding youth placed with relatives or with siblings) who experience a change in school placement when they enter out-of-home care or change placement during the school year will decrease.

Benchmark 20.0%



Children's Administration

Changes in School Placement

The number of children (excluding youth placed with relatives or with siblings) who experience a change in school placement when they enter out-of-home care or change placement during the school year will decrease.

Measure definition	Percentage of foster youth enrolled in school who change schools when they were initially placed into out of home care or moved to another placement during the school year.
Data source	Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) Attendance Records & FamLink
Data supplier	Lee Doran, Lead Analyst, Children's Administration Technology Services (CATS)
Alternate supplier	Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI)
Period	Other (explain to the right) School Year
Next update	September 2012 (Semi-Annual Report)
Data notes	<p>1 Performance measure data are derived from a match between out-of-home care records for youth in care during the school year and Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) attendance records for each month (from the August prior to the August following) during the school year.</p> <p>2 Population includes children between the ages of 5 and 17.9 on the first day of the school year (9/1) and enrolled in school at any time of the year.</p> <p>3 Population includes children and youth in out-of-home care for at least 30 days and under CA Placement and Care Authority.</p> <p>4 The measure identifies whether a change of school enrollment occurred when foster youth were removed from home during the school year and whether a change of school enrollment followed a change in placement during the school year.</p> <p>5 Relative placements are not counted as placement moves for this measure based on agreement with the Braam Oversight Panel. Temporary placement events are also excluded as a placement move.</p> <p>6 Data availability lags behind the current school year.</p> <p>7 Compliance with this outcome requires the full compliance measure to be met. In addition, no region's performance may be more than 10 percentage points higher than the full compliance measure.</p>

DATA

DATE	Statewide Performance	Target	Region 1		Region 2		Region 3	
			North (Former R1)	South (Former R2)	North (Former R3)	South (Former R4)	North (Former R5)	South (Former R6)
2008 (SY2006/2007)	20.0%	40%	20.5%	16.5%	19.1%	19.0%	18.9%	24.4%
2009 (SY2007/2008)	21.8%	30%	21.4%	22.1%	19.1%	19.9%	22.6%	25.9%
2010 (SY2008/2009)	17.3%	20%	15.1%	14.1%	18.1%	17.8%	18.3%	19.2%
2011 (SY2009/2010)	12.8%	20%	11.5%	10.6%	12.8%	11.8%	13.4%	15.4%

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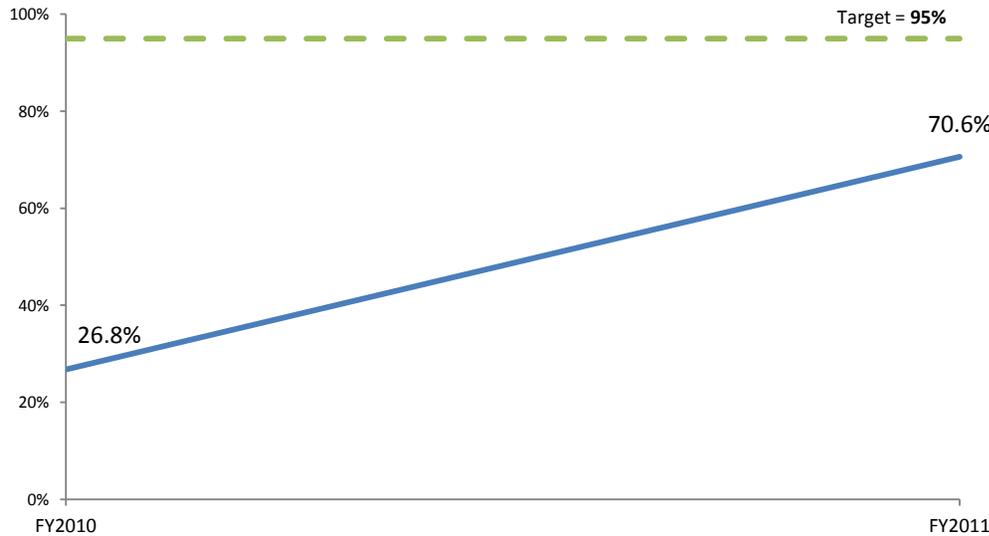
PERFORMANCE MEASURE

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Youth Transition (Exit) Staffings

A multi-disciplinary staffing meeting will be held six months prior to a youth's exit from foster care to address issues related to transition to independence.

Statewide Performance



SUMMARY

- For FY2011, performance was 70.6% for holding a multi-disciplinary transition staffing at least six months prior to a youth's exit from foster care to address youth's transition to independence. This is a significant increase from FY2010.
- Region 2 North was the highest performer at 84.1%.
- Children's Administration monitors this outcome on a monthly basis and continues to see strong improvement over time.
- Planning for a youth's transition into Independence is important for all youth, more so for foster youth who often have fewer resources and supports as they emancipate.

DATA SOURCE: FamLink; supplied by Lee Doran, Lead Analyst, Children's Administration

MEASURE DEFINITION: A multi-disciplinary staffing meeting will be held six months prior to a youth's exit from foster care to address issues related to transition to independence.

DATA NOTES: **1** Methodology counts as compliant staffings between the age of 17 years and 17.5 years and excludes staffings that occur prior to 17 years (per CA policy) and staffings that occur within 90 days of turning 18 years (Federal standard). **2** Population includes all youth in out-of-home care under CA Placement and Care Authority who were in care for at least 30 days and turned 17.5 years during the fiscal year. **3** To achieve compliance the multi-disciplinary staffing meeting must have been held between the age of 17 years to 17.5 years or within 30 days of turning 17.5 and be documented accurately in FamLink. **4** The number of children in care more than 30 days that turn 17.5 years each month, statewide and particularly by region, is a limited number. (See Complete Data Notes on page 53)

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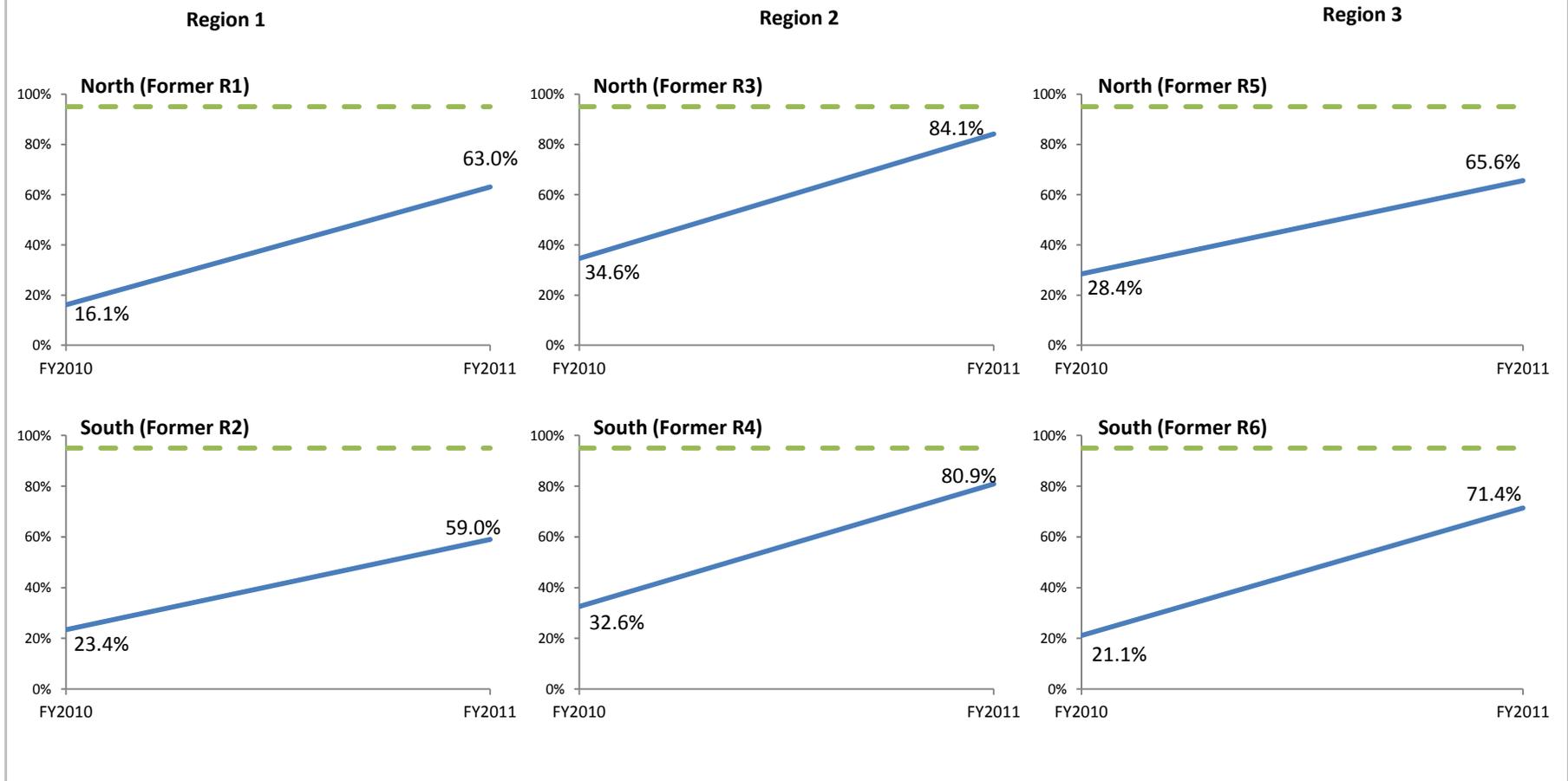
PERFORMANCE MEASURE

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Youth Transition (Exit) Staffings by Region

A multi-disciplinary staffing meeting will be held six months prior to a youth's exit from foster care to address issues related to transition to independence.

Benchmark 95%



Children's Administration

Youth Transition (Exit) Staffings

A multi-disciplinary staffing meeting will be held six months prior to a youth's exit from foster care to address issues related to transition to independence.

Measure definition	Percentage of multi-disciplinary staffing meeting that are held at least six months prior to a youth's exit from foster care to address issues related to their transition to independence.
Data source	FamLink
Data supplier	Lee Doran, Lead Analyst, Children's Administration Technology Services (CATS)
Period	State Fiscal Year
Next update	March 2012 (Semi-Annual Report)
Data notes	<p>1 FY2010 was the first year administrative data was available to report on this outcome.</p> <p>2 Methodology counts as compliant staffings between the age of 17 years and 17.5 years and excludes staffings that occur prior to 17 years (per Children's Administration policy) and staffings that occur within 90 days of turning 18 years (Federal standard).</p> <p>3 Population includes all youth in out-of-home care under CA Placement and Care Authority who were in care for at least 30 days and turned 17.5 years during the fiscal year.</p> <p>4 To achieve compliance the multi-disciplinary staffing meeting must have been held between the age of 17 years to 17.5 years or within 30 days of turning 17.5 and be documented accurately in FamLink.</p> <p>5 The number of children in care more than 30 days that turn 17.5 years each month, statewide and particularly by region, is a limited number.</p> <p>6 Compliance with this outcome requires the full compliance measure to be met. In addition, no region's performance may be more than 10 percentage points lower than the full compliance measure.</p>

DATA

DATE	Statewide Performance	TARGET	Compliant Staffings	Staffing Held Before 17 or Between 17.6 - 17.8 Years		Staffing Held within 90 Days of 18 Years		No Staffing Documented		Total Non-Compliance		Total Youth 17.5 Years	Region 1		Region 2		Region 3	
				Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count	Percent	Count		Percent	Count	North (Former R1)	South (Former R2)	North (Former R3)	South (Former R4)
FY2010	26.8%	95%	128	19.0%	91	22.0%	103	33.0%	156	73.0%	350	478	16.1%	23.4%	34.6%	32.6%	28.4%	21.1%
FY2011	70.6%	95%	300	8.9%	38	6.4%	27	14.1%	60	29.4%	125	425	63.0%	59.0%	84.1%	80.9%	65.6%	71.4%

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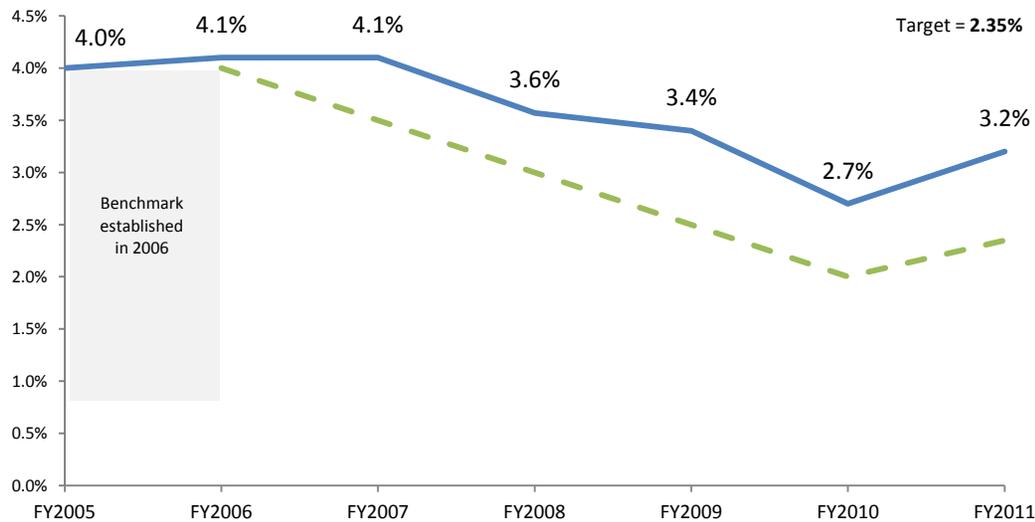
PERFORMANCE MEASURE

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Frequency of Youth on Runaway Status

The percentage of youth who run from out-of-home care placements during the fiscal year will decrease.

Statewide Performance (Goal is to be below the target)



SUMMARY

- During FY2011, 3.2% of youth were on runaway status from out-of-home care placements.
- While performance in the previous years has shown steady improvement, performance worsened significantly in FY2011.
- During FY2011 Region 1 North had the lowest frequency of youth on runaway status at 2.0%. Region 2 South experienced the highest frequency at 5.0%.
- **Revised Measure:** The revised agreement changed the target on this measure to 2.35%
- Children's Administration is concerned about diminished performance in FY2011 and is enhancing quality assurance and improvement processes to address the increase in the percentage of children running from care.

DATA SOURCE: FamLink; supplied by Lee Doran, Lead Analyst, Children's Administration

MEASURE DEFINITION: Percent of foster youth in DCFS custody and out-of-home placement for at least 30 days that ran from placement during the fiscal year.

DATA NOTES: **1** The benchmark for this outcome was established beginning with FY2006. **2** Population includes children and youth of all ages who were in out-of-home care 30 days or more during the fiscal year and under CA Placement & Care Authority. **3** Measure evaluates the percentage of youth on runaway status that started during the fiscal year. **4** Compliance with this outcome requires the statewide benchmark to be met. In addition, no region's performance may be more than .5 percentage points higher than the statewide benchmark.

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PERFORMANCE MEASURE

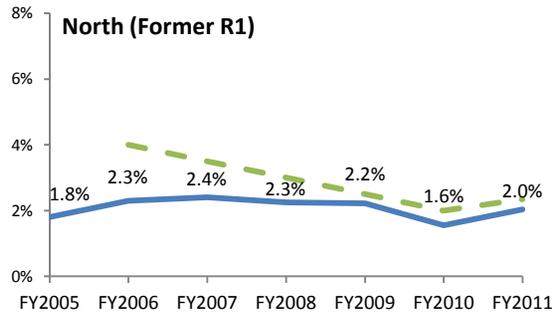
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Frequency of Youth on Runaway Status by Region

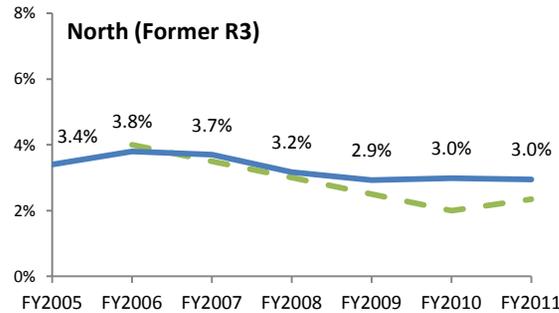
The percentage of youth who run from out-of-home care placements during the fiscal year will decrease.

Benchmark 2.35%

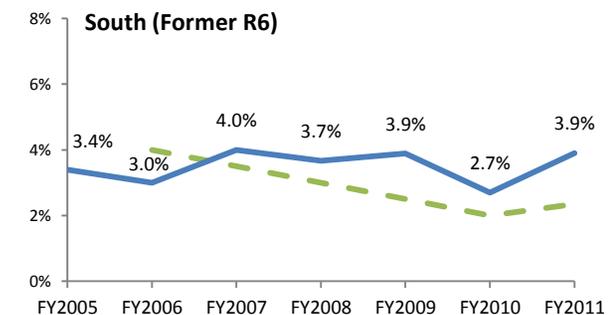
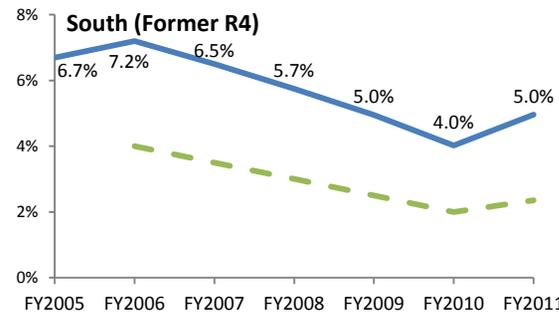
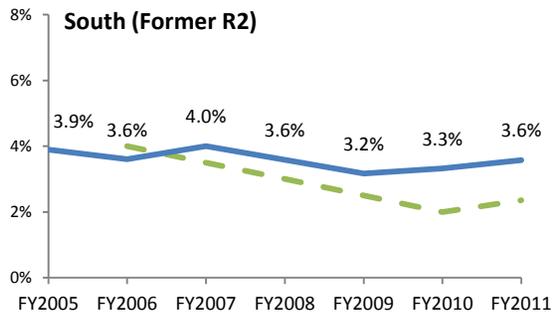
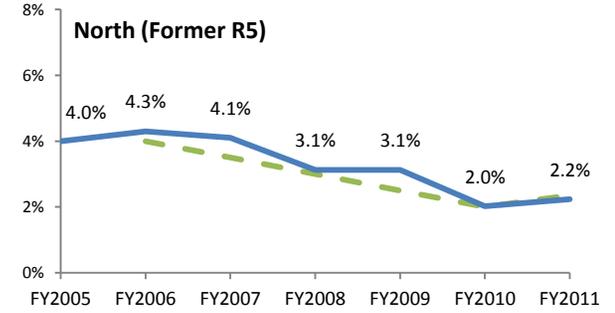
Region 1



Region 2



Region 3



Children's Administration

Frequency of Youth on Runaway Status

The percentage of youth who run from out-of-home care placements during the fiscal year will decrease.

Measure definition	Percentage of youth in out-of-home care for at least 30 days who run from out-of-home care placements during the fiscal year.
Data source	FamLink
Data supplier	Lee Doran, Lead Analyst, Children's Administration Technology Services (CATS)
Period	State Fiscal Year
Next update	March 2012 (Semi-Annual Report)
Data notes	<p>1 The benchmark for this outcome was established beginning with FY2006.</p> <p>2 Population includes children and youth of all ages who were in out-of-home care 30 days or more during the fiscal year and under CA Placement & Care Authority.</p> <p>3 Measure evaluates the percentage of youth on runaway status that started during the fiscal year.</p> <p>4 Compliance with this outcome requires the full compliance measure to be met. In addition, for full compliance to be met, the data must indicate that less than 2.59% of children in foster care in each region ran from out-of-home placements..</p>

DATA

DATE	Statewide Performance	Target	Region 1		Region 2		Region 3	
			North (Former R1)	South (Former R2)	North (Former R3)	South (Former R4)	North (Former R5)	South (Former R6)
FY2005	4.0%		1.8%	3.9%	3.4%	6.7%	4.0%	3.4%
FY2006	4.1%	4.0%	2.3%	3.6%	3.8%	7.2%	4.3%	3.0%
FY2007	4.1%	3.5%	2.4%	4.0%	3.7%	6.5%	4.1%	4.0%
FY2008	3.6%	3.0%	2.3%	3.6%	3.2%	5.7%	3.1%	3.7%
FY2009	3.4%	2.5%	2.2%	3.2%	2.9%	5.0%	3.1%	3.9%
FY2010	2.7%	2.0%	1.6%	3.3%	3.0%	4.0%	2.0%	2.7%
FY2011	3.2%	2.35%	2.0%	3.6%	3.0%	5.0%	2.2%	3.9%