



Policy: Termination of Supervision

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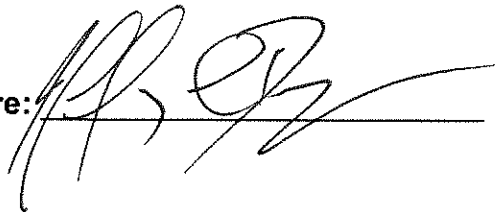
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Statement of Policy:

ChildNet follows a planned orderly process in determining a caregiver is capable of preserving the continuity of care, culture, relationships, and providing a safe home environment in which a child is thriving such that supervision is no longer needed.

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Related policies:

CN 003.005 Case Chronological Documentation for Client Services

CN 003.035 Independent Living Services

Definitions (If any):

Statement of Procedure:

A child's intake into our system of care starts the plan for the child to achieve permanency that ensures the child's safety, health and well-being such that ChildNet supervision is no longer needed. Once the Child Advocate/Dependency Case Manager (CA/DCM) has determined that the child's safety can be maintained by the caregiver and the conditions that brought the child within jurisdiction of the Court have been remedied, then the CA/DCM with concurrence of appropriate supervisory review will recommend that supervision be terminated. Whenever the need for aftercare is identified, ChildNet works with youth living independently and reunified families to develop an aftercare plan that ensures an orderly transition. The CA/DCM works with the family and service providers to develop an Aftercare Plan to ensure the continuity of services for the family after supervision is terminated.

- A. The CA/DCM will establish clear guidelines for a planned, orderly case closing, including expectations for service recipient involvement, assign staff responsibility, and ensure notification of any collaborating services providers, including the Courts and tribal governments, as appropriate.
- B. Reunification planning is ongoing throughout the work with families and includes:
 - 1. ongoing, mutual assessment of the progress towards meeting family goals;
 - 2. emotional and physical preparation with parents, non-custodial parents children, and resource families;
 - 3. transfer of all applicable legal, educational, and medical documents and service summaries prior to reunification date;
 - 4. assistance in accessing needed community-based resources prior to reunification date; and



5. identification of post-reunification services

C. The CA/DCM may request termination of supervision through a Termination of Supervision report for six (6) months of protective supervision cases. In addition, the CA/DCM may request termination of supervision on post-placement and permanent guardianship cases, if reunification has occurred and/or Guardianship provisions have been achieved. This Termination of Supervision Report which includes transition services and contact information is to be filed with the Court through a legal request to Children's Legal Services Attorney. The report requesting termination of supervision must:

1. Include the dated signature of the CA/DCM, Supervisor, Manager/Director or designee.
2. State the reason ChildNet involvement was required.
3. Document the progress made toward resolving the problems which resulted in ChildNet intervention, including an updated assessment of family strengths, improved family functioning, and reduced risk to the child. Identify which court-ordered or case plan objectives were met, which were not, the reason they were not met, compliance, as well as any services provided and or referred under the aftercare plan.
4. Include the justification for requesting termination.
5. Indicate the involvement of the parent, legal custodian, or legal guardian and the child, if appropriate, in making the decision about termination.
6. In addition to the above, when applicable, Termination of Supervision report will include verification of successful completion of services, including written input and comments from service providers about the proposed termination of services/supervision and an aftercare plan. If the Court terminates supervision without ChildNet's request and Termination of Supervision report, the Termination of Supervision report must be filed within ten days of the Court's entry of the order.

D. Prior to Termination of Supervision recommendation under the Interstate Compact for the Placement of Children (ICPC) where Florida is the receiving state, the sending state's written concurrence must be placed in the case record and a copy attached to the appropriate report submitted to the Court. The CA/DCM, Unit Supervisor, and the Manager/Director or designee are to review the termination report. For cases in which a Florida child has been legally placed into another state, the receiving state requires the prior written concurrence of the termination of services before any action to terminate can be initiated.



- E. For cases under Court supervision ChildNet must continue to provide protective supervision until the Court order terminating supervision is received. For termination of supervision for cases not under Court supervision refer to CN 004.013 Determination of Non Judicial and Protective Supervision. Once the Court order is received the unit supervisor will ensure Comprehensive Child Welfare System (CCWIS) is updated within 48 hours regarding the termination of supervision.
- F. See CN 004.013 Determination of Non Judicial and Protective Supervision.
- G. ChildNet assists young adults exiting the system in establishing strong interdependent relationships with a committed caregiver, extended family, and supportive community members that can smooth the transition into adulthood and independence and provides youth transitioning to independence with information about:
- a. health and financial assistance or other available benefits;
 - b. community resources and support services;
 - c. housing options;
 - d. financial planning;
 - e. compiling necessary legal and personal documents; and
 - f. information to maintain an ongoing relationship with their tribe and tribal community members, as appropriate.
- H. For young adults in Extended Foster Care, the CA/DCM may request termination of supervision through a termination of jurisdiction report if the young adult no longer meets the criteria for extended foster care. The report must include reason for the termination and a referral to Aftercare Services.
- I. Aftercare Plan: ChildNet is strongly proactive with respect to aftercare planning and works with youth living independently and reunified families and relative/non relative caregivers to develop an aftercare plan that ensures an orderly transition.
1. The CA/DCM and the family develop an aftercare plan sufficiently in advance of case closing that specifies services needed or desired, and steps for obtaining these services.
 2. The CA/DCM and the youth or family explore suitable resources and make contact with service providers when appropriate.
 3. The CA/DCM follows up on the aftercare plan, when applicable, and with the permission of the service recipient.
 4. The CA/DCM will provide the family with options available in the event that additional support and/or referrals are needed in order to avoid future disruptions.

President's Signature: _____

Date: _____

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