

SCREENING GUIDELINES FOR FAMILY IN NEED OF SERVICES

* Examples provided are not all inclusive. If necessary, consult legal advisor.

ORC DEFINITIONS AND/OR OAC RULE REQUIREMENTS	SCREEN IN EXAMPLES (ASSOCIATED WITH ORC/OAC)
Emancipated Youth	Emancipated Youth
Each PCSA shall, when requested, provide services and support to former foster care recipients, who emancipated from that agency's custody due to attaining eighteen years of age. A PCSA shall evaluate the strengths and needs of the young adult to determine the services to be offered. The services and supports are to complement the young adult's own efforts to achieve self- sufficiency, and shall be available until the young adult's twenty-first birthday. (OAC 5101:2-42-19.2)	Child who is 18 – 21 years of age and an emancipated foster child requesting agency services such as housing, education, and financial.
Permanent Surrender	Permanent Surrender
The parents, guardian, or other persons having custody of a child may enter into an agreement with a public children services agency (PCSA) or private child placing agency (PCPA) to voluntarily surrender a child into the permanent custody of an agency when there is mutual agreement that a permanent surrender would be in the best interests of the child. (OAC 5101:2-42-09)	Parent requests to voluntarily surrender a child into the agency's permanent custody and the agency believes this to be in child's best interest.
Deserted Child (Safe Haven)	Deserted Child (Safe Haven)
A child whose parent has voluntarily delivered the child to an emergency medical service worker, peace officer, or hospital employee without expressing an intent to return for the child and who is less than seventy-two hours old and has no apparent signs of abuse or neglect. (OAC 5101:2-1-01, 5101:2-42-04, 5101:2-34-32)	Infant, less than 72 hours in age, left with hospital staff, law enforcement officer and/or EMS staff by a parent with no plan for return to care for child.
Stranger Danger	Stranger Danger
<i>*Not from current OAC (will be proposed).</i> Per the PCSAs County Memorandum of Understanding and/or a request by law enforcement, when a PCSA receives a report alleging a criminal act against a child, of assault or sexual activity involving stranger danger, the PCSA shall: Establish police jurisdiction and refer the report to the appropriate law enforcement authority within twenty-four hours of receipt of the report; Attempt a face-to-face or telephone contact within twenty-four hours of receipt of the report with a principal or collateral source to ensure that the child is safe and attempt a face-to-face contact with the alleged child victim as soon as possible; conduct a safety assessment of all children residing in the home of the alleged perpetrator upon the request of law enforcement the PCSA shall attempt face-	Law enforcement reports and requests PCSA assistance as a child was physically or sexually assaulted by an alleged perpetrator, who is not a family member, has no sanctioned or continued access, and is not involved in daily or regular care of the child and had no relationship to the alleged child victim prior to the act.

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to-face interviews with the alleged child victim's parents/ caretakers; Assess the safety of the alleged child victim by determining the access of the alleged perpetrator to the alleged child victim; Assess the parents, caretakers or guardian's ability and willingness to protect the child. (OAC 5101:2-34-36)	
Post-Finalization-Adoption Services	Post-Finalization-Adoption Services
Services provided or arranged by the PCSA, PCPA or PNA to support, maintain and assist an adopted child, adoptive family or birth parent anytime after finalization of an adoption. (OAC 5101:2-1-01)	Adoptive parent requests agency services to address issues related to the post-finalization adoption process.
Courtesy Interview / Supervision	Courtesy Interview / Supervision
When the sending agency is a public agency, it may enter into an agreement with an authorized public or private agency in the receiving state providing for the performance of one or more services in respect of such case by the latter as agent for the sending agency. (OAC 5101:2-42-20 & ORC 5103.20, 2151.56)	Juvenile Court accepts jurisdiction/transfer of a case from another PCSA. A PCSA requests interview of a party to a case.
Postnatal Placement Services to Infants of Incarcerated Mother	Postnatal Placement Services to Infants of Incarcerated Mother
PCSA's are responsible for investigating and recommending a mother's placement arrangements or arranging placements for infants born to women who are incarcerated in correctional facilities. PCSA's shall establish policies and procedures for coordinating service arrangements on behalf of incarcerated women and their infants with correctional facilities, departments of job and family services, and hospitals. (OAC 5101:2-42-60)	Assessment and recommendation of placement arrangements for infant born to incarcerated mothers.
*Categories listed below are optional as applicable to PCSA policy and/or Memorandum of Understanding	
Preventive Services	Preventive Services
<p>The PCSA shall make available the following supportive services to a child and his parent, guardian or custodian as the agency determines necessary... The PCSA shall make available supportive services to ensure reasonable efforts are made to: Prevent or eliminate the need for removal of a child from his own home... (OAC 5101:2-39-06)</p> <p>Services provided by the PCSA aimed at promoting awareness or prevention of CA/N which have been requested by and provided to children and families who have no current allegations of CA/N or dependency. * Definition from 3/21/05 policy paper</p>	Request from parent for parenting education. Prenatal positive screening for an illegal substance within second and third trimester (no other children residing in home.)

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Unruly / Delinquent	Unruly / Delinquent
<p>On behalf of children in the county whom the public children services agency considers to be in need of public care or protective services, the public children services agency shall: Accept custody of children committed to the public children services agency by a court exercising juvenile jurisdiction. (ORC 5153.16(A)(3))</p> <p>The child abuse and neglect memorandum of understanding is a document required to set forth the normal operating procedure to be employed by all concerned officials in the execution of their respective responsibilities, including section 2919.24 "Contributing to unruliness or delinquency of a child." (OAC 5101:2-34-71)</p>	<p>A court ordered home evaluation. Court orders PCSA intervention and/or custody of an unruly/delinquent child to PCSA.</p>
Child Fatality (non-child abuse/neglect)	Child Fatality (non-child abuse/neglect)
<p>On receipt by a public children services agency of a request for the release of information about a child under eighteen years of age who was a resident of the county served by the agency at the time of death and whose death may have been caused by abuse, neglect, or other criminal conduct, the director of the agency immediately shall confer with the prosecuting attorney of that county...; the director shall disclose the following information concerning a deceased child... Services provided to or purchased for the child or to which the child was referred by a public children services agency...; PCSA or PCPA shall have written policies and procedures regarding actions to be taken when a child in its custody dies. (ORC 5153.17.1, 5153.17.2, OAC 5101:2-42-89)</p> <p>The PCSA may provide intervention services to a family when information is received that there has been a child fatality in the family that is not the result of abuse and/or neglect.</p>	<p>Per agency policy, Memorandum of Understanding, interagency agreements, and/or a parent's request, PCSA provides services to a family in which a child has died as a result of natural causes/medical condition, case of sudden infant death syndrome, and/or deferred rulings by the coroner.</p>
Home Evaluation / Visitation Assessment	Home Evaluation / Visitation Assessment
<p>A PCSA or PCPA having custody of a child may approve placement with substitute caregivers if the placement is determined to be in the child's best interest.... The PCSA or PCPA shall approve or deny the relative or non-relative placement.... (OAC 5101:2-42-18)</p>	<p>Court requests an assessment to establish visitation or placement recommendations. Court or other PCSA requests an assessment of a kinship placement.</p>