

Dispositions in A/N/D Court

Structuring Court Ordered Plans

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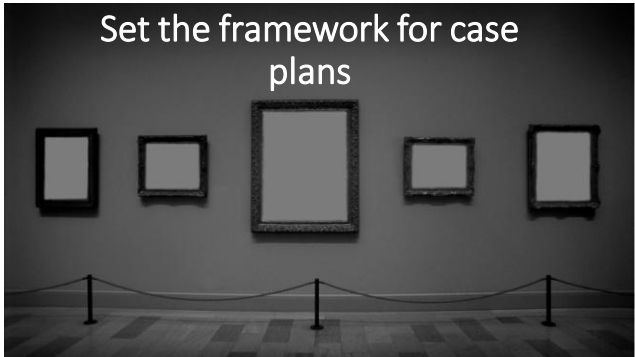
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Purposes of Disposition

Design appropriate plan that reflects

- consideration of facts
- child's needs and limitations
- family's strengths and weaknesses

If possible,

- keep child at home
- use appropriate community resources for care, supervision, treatment
- to strengthen home situation

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Provides services that

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protect the child

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respect family autonomy

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reflect child's needs for safety, continuity, and permanence

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prevent unnecessary separation of child and parent

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Protective Services

Other counseling services to parents, guardians, other caretakers to

- help prevent abuse/neglect
- Improve quality of child care
- Be more **adequate** parents
- Preserve & stabilize family life

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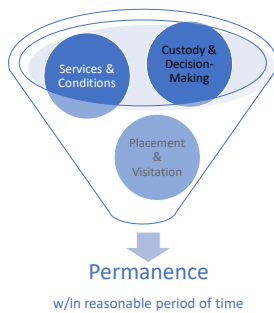
Safe Home

A home in which the juvenile is not at **substantial risk** of physical or emotional abuse or neglect.

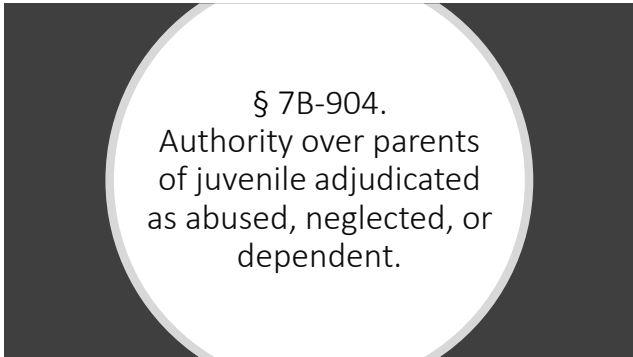
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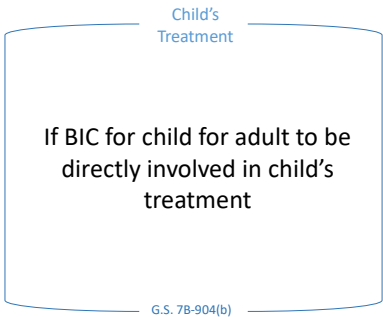
Design a Plan



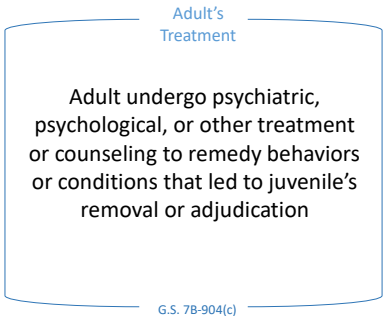
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Steps

Parenting Class

Transport juvenile if in home

Appropriate step to remedy conditions

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Money

Pay costs of child’s treatment

Reasonable sum to support child
(ability to pay and in child’s best
interests)

G.S. 7B-904(a), (d)

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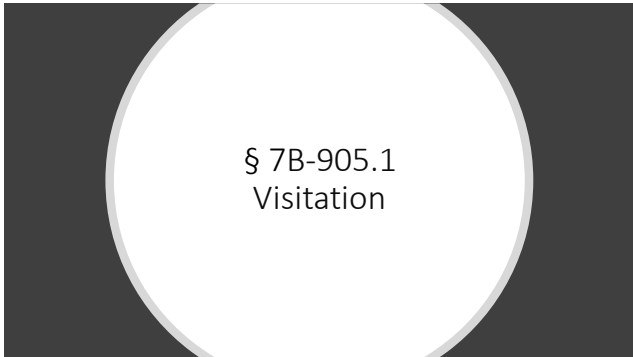
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Dear Colleague:

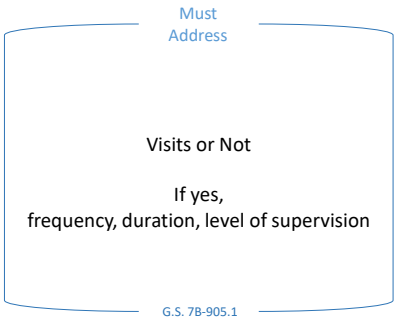
The Administration for Children and Families’ (ACF) Children’s Bureau (CB) and Office of Child Support Enforcement (OCSE) value collaborative efforts that stabilize and reunify the children and families we serve. This letter highlights a new question and answer (Q&A) in the [Child Welfare Policy Manual](#) (CWPM) regarding when it is appropriate for a title IV-E agency to secure an assignment of the rights to child support for a child receiving title IV-E foster care maintenance payments (FCMPs) in accordance with section 471(a)(17) of the Social Security Act. ACF encourages child welfare agencies to implement across-the-board policies that require an assignment of the rights to child support for children who receive title IV-E FCMPs only in very rare circumstances. [See CWPM, Section 8.4C, Question 25.](#)

OCSE relies on the IV-E agency to refer cases as appropriate. ACF wants to ensure that only cases that have been thoroughly reviewed, and will not disrupt the reunification process, are referred to the state IV-D agency for the establishment of paternity or a support order. This approach allows the

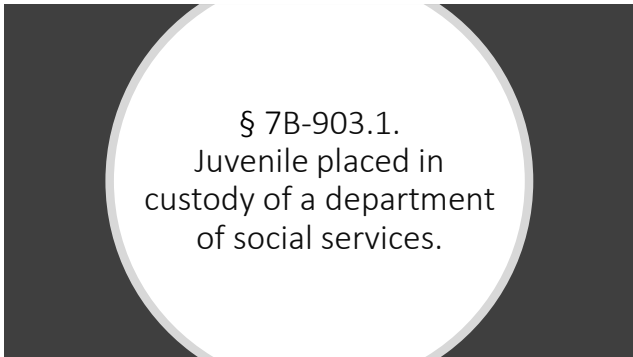
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Decision
Making

DSS – normally those of custodian (unless prohibited by federal law or court delegates to another)

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Decision
Making

Placement provider provide or withhold permission for normal childhood activities unless court orders otherwise based on BIC

G.S. 7B-903.1(b)

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Siblings

DSS reasonable efforts to place together absent exception for safety/well-being
Frequent contact and ongoing interaction if unable to

G.S. 7B-903.1(c1)

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Medical
Decision
Making

DSS routine & emergency

Other treatment, parent, guardian, or
custodian unless court order after hearing
DSS has that authority

DSS notify and give status reports

P, G, C gets records

G.S. 7B-903.1(e)

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What does
this look
like?



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Homework

(CJE Provided)

- Go to DSS Office
- Go to local supervised visitation location
- Research parenting education classes
- Address Transportation
- Look for Employment and Housing
- Make a Calendar

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