

LAKE COUNTY
System Improvement Plan Approval Document
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Program Areas	Improvement Plan		Anticipated Date of Completion
	*Required		
	Yes	No	
Safety:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recurrence of Maltreatment 		X	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Abuse/Neglect in foster care 		X	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Timely ER Response (process measure) 		X	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Social Worker Visits with child (process measure) 	X		6/2005
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase social worker required contacts to 90% Enter contact exceptions into all case plans within CWS/CMS computer system Train workers to enter contacts/narratives timely and consistently Contact reports will be printed and given to the line supervisors by the 15th of each month Supervisors determine how timely the contacts are completed and monitor CWS/CMS data entry Supervisors assist the workers with time management skills Data entry training for all social workers Create case plans and contact exceptions for non-related legal guardian cases Oversight and QA
			<i>Quarterly reports, SM and contact with county will be used to monitor progress.</i>
Permanency			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Time to Reunification 		X	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Time to Adoption 		X		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Placement Stability 		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Reduce the number of moves a child makes in foster care and bring LCDSS's performance to 86.7% ▪ Increase the number of available foster care emergency beds in Lake County. ▪ Provide on-going training for all foster parents relatives to manage difficult behavior of children and youth in placement. ▪ Lake County will contract for five certified emergency shelter care beds. ▪ Publish a quarterly foster parent newsletter with training topics ▪ LCDSS will contract to provide training to foster parents 	06/2005
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foster Care re-entry 	X		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Reduce the number of children re-entering the foster care system. ▪ Develop comprehensive case plans addressing all services from which the client may benefit. ▪ Promote drug-free lifestyles through collaboration with partner agencies. ▪ Promote drug-free lifestyles through collaboration with partner agencies. ▪ LCDSS will work with community partners to support the development of additional treatment programs for parents ▪ Develop and disseminate information relating to the hazards of drug use, particularly during pregnancy ▪ Explore dependency drug court 	06/2005 and on-going
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Well-Being				
• Preserving family relationships		X		
• Least Restrictive Placements		X		
• ICWA Placements		X		
• ILP		X		

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Systemic				
• Statewide Information System				
• Case review System				
• Quality Assurance System				
• Workload				
• Service Array			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Timely Mental Health referrals by probation officers ▪ By pre-disposition have mental health referrals/assessments complete ▪ Provide pre and post disposition mental health services to more detained juveniles ▪ Treat the minor's mental health needs with local resources. ▪ A proposal to fund mental health counselors to provide pre and post disposition assessments and on going counseling for detained minors 	02/2005 and on-going

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ If proposal is agreed a MOU will be signed and mental health will provide the service ▪ Intake Investigation Procedure conducted by the probation officers will be amended to include the referral process to Mental Health 	
			<i>Contact with county will be used to monitor progress.</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agency Responsiveness to the Community 				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foster and Adoptive Parent Licensing, Recruitment and Retention 				

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