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Topic: Other

Transmitting (check the box that best applies):

- New Policy
 Policy Change
 Policy Clarification
 Executive Letter
 Administrative Rule
 Manual Update
 Other: _____

Applies to (check all that apply):

- All DHS employees
 County Mental Health Directors
 Area Agencies on Aging
 Health Services
 Children, Adults and Families
 Seniors and People with Disabilities
 County DD Program Managers
 Other (please specify):

Policy/Rule Title:	Child Safety Assessment and Safety Planning Policy		
Policy/Rule Number(s):	I-AB.5	Release No:	
Effective Date:	9/15/05	Expiration:	
References:			
Web Address:	http://www.dhs.state.or.us/policy/childwelfare/manual_1/i-ab5.htm		

Discussion/Interpretation:

The revisions add that a review of a safety plan will include contact with treatment providers or staff from other agencies who are involved with any family member included in the safety plan. This includes all treatment providers or others who care currently working with these family members or have worked with them in the last 12 months.

This rule sets time for completing the safety plan review at critical junctures, for documenting it and for obtaining supervisory review and approval of the review and of any changes made to the safety plan.

It puts into policy, procedures and time lines for supervisory review and approval of the child safety plan before a child is returned home, which were previously issued as a procedure transmittal.

The Initial Safety Assessments and Time Frames (413-015-0510) and Initial Safety Plan (413-015-0505) sections were amended to clarify the intent of existing rule.

Implementation/Transition Instructions: This is being implemented as a Temporary Rule. It goes into effective immediately. However, it is open for comments and revision until it is adopted as a regular rule in 3 months.

Training/Communication Plan:

Local/Branch Action Required:

Central Office Action Required:

Field/Stakeholder review: Yes No

 If yes, reviewed by: Policy Council and various supervisors at supervisor quarterly meetings.

Filing Instructions:

If you have any questions about this policy, contact:

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