

**2016 Appendix A for Dutchess County
Plan Signature Page**

We hereby approve and submit the Child and Family Services Plan for Dutchess County Department of Social Services and Youth Bureau for the period of January 1, 2016, through December 31, 2016.
We also attest to our commitment to maintain compliance with the Legal Assurances as outlined in Child and Family Services Plan Guidance Document.

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Commissioner County Department of Social Services

Type Name: Date:

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Executive Director County Youth Bureau

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Chair County Youth Board

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I hereby approve and submit the PINS Diversion Service section of the Child and Family Services Plan for Dutchess County Probation Department for the period of show January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015.

Director/Commissioner County Probation Department

Type Name: Date:

Signature:

Chair County Youth Board

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Enclosed is the Child and Family Services Plan for Dutchess County. My signature below constitutes approval of this report.
Chief Elected Officer (or Chairperson of the legislative body if the county does not have a Chief Elected Officer).

Type Name: Date:

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WAIVER

Complete and sign the following section if a waiver is being sought concerning the submission of Appendix I - Estimate of Clients to be served.

Dutchess county requests a waiver to 18 NYCRR 407.5(a)(3), which requests a numerical estimate of families, children, and adults requiring each service listed in Section 407.4 of this same Part. Therefore, Appendix I is not included in this Plan submission. I assert that the level of service need and utilization for the full array of services encompassed by the Child and Family Services Planning Process was taken into consideration as part of the Dutchess County Child and Family Services Planning Process.

Commissioner County Department of Social Services

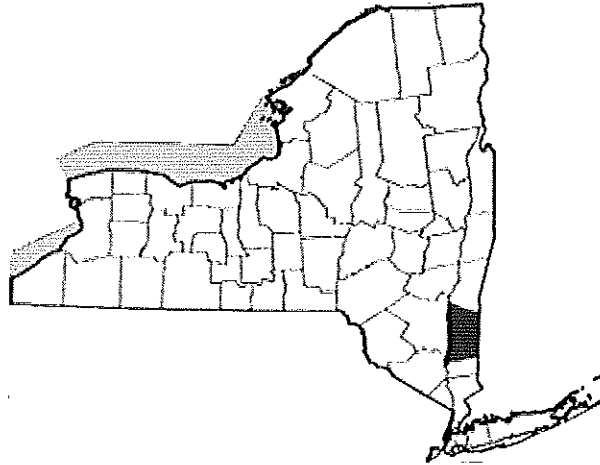
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County Child and Family Services Plan - Update January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016

Welcome *Dutchess County*.



Hello Bridget Goddard!

Note: The session timeout for this year is still 2 hours.

This Child and Family Services Plan contains county outcomes and strategies that respond to community needs. Specifically, the plan identifies Local Department of Social Services (districts) strategies in the areas of adoption, foster care, preventive, protective and other services for children, and protective and other services for adults. The plan also identifies Youth Bureau strategies for youth development and services for youth. In addition, it contains a description of public participation in the development of the Plan as well as estimates of expenditures and program information.

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2016 Child and Family Services Plan Program Narrative

Check if No Change in Section I

Outcome Framework/Mission/Vision

If the district has one, please enter the district's outcome framework, mission, and/or vision.
(If your district does not have this, leave this area blank.)

As part of our integrated county planning process for over the past ten years, the County has used the NYS Touchstones Framework to track countywide data, develop common outcome language among funders, increase knowledge about contracted services and government agencies' functions, and organize strategic planning efforts for the Department of Social Services, the Youth Bureau and, more recently, the Office of Probation and Community Corrections.

In 2013 the County restructured/realigned several Departments. The Department of Services for Aging, Veterans and Youth (SAVY) which had been created in 2011, was reorganized to better balance available resources with the unique needs of seniors, veterans and young people. The Division of Veterans Services is now affiliated with the Department of Health. The Division of Youth Services has become a separate division within the Department of Social Services. The entire department has been renamed the Department of Community and Family Services (DCFS) to reflect youth services as well as the overall department's focus on providing assistance leading to long-term independence and sustainability for individuals and families. The Division of Aging Services is once again a stand-alone department, known as Office for the Aging (OFA). Funded almost entirely by state and federal revenue streams, there are very specific requirements for the Office for the Aging to be an independent agency.

The Dutchess County Legislature also approved the restructuring in December by approving the 2013 County Budget. The County continues to maintain a Health & Human Services Cabinet under the leadership of the Director of the Office for Aging which continues as a working committee of Department Heads to address policy, efficiency and strategic planning issues for county human services in the Departments of Community and Family Services, Probation, Mental Hygiene, and Health with the Division Directors of Aging, Youth Services and Veterans. The Integrated County Planning (ICP) Workgroup functions as a sub-committee of the H&HS Cabinet and also involves Youth Board participation.

The ICP Workgroup supports the following vision for its work:

We in Dutchess County strongly value children, youth, and families. We envision a community environment that is safe, supporting, nurturing, healthy, and drug free. We seek to offer services that are accessible to all diverse groups and provide equal opportunities for education, career development, and personal growth. We hope that all children, youth and families can maximize their potential to make contributions to their communities and participate in its leadership.

The Department of Community and Family Services, Youth Services and the Office of Probation and Community Corrections missions support the above vision. The Department of Community and Family Services' mission is to meet the needs of the County's population, as provided by social services law, in a courteous, fair and efficient manner with the aim of restoring each beneficiary to maximum independence by:

I. Providing assistance to eligible individuals and families while assisting clients to achieve their full potential.

A. Conduct thorough eligibility investigations;

B. Apply rules, regulations and local policies objectively, consistently and uniformly;

C. Provide clients with all of the benefits to which they are entitled;

D. Work cooperatively as divisions to meet the separate needs of clients while preserving the integrity of each individual;

E. Maintain professionalism in all contacts.

II. Develop and make available to families and individuals services that will strengthen the family unit, encourage stability in living arrangements, and provide for specialized care.

III. Provide protective services to children and adults at risk.

IV. Provide adequate information to the general public regarding our programs and services and maintain adequate knowledge of community services to act as a referral source.

The Youth Services' mission is to assure every youth a fair and equal opportunity to attain his/her full potential by providing and encouraging services which strengthen family life and by supporting families in their essential function of nurturing the youth's overall development. Similarly, Youth Services will encourage and assist communities to carry out their responsibilities to provide the important physical and social conditions necessary for the well-being and development of our youth in a fiscally responsible manner.

The Health & Human Services Cabinet serves as a high-level executive management team to: tackle problems affecting multiple Departments, conduct cross-system planning, share information on best practices, and develop strategies to maximize the County's resources. Through bi monthly meetings, the Cabinet provides an open forum for Commissioners and Directors to freely address issues and collaboratively plan for improvements in the County's health and human service system.

The ICP workgroup tasks include on-going needs assessment activities in support of the Department of Health's Health and Well-Being of Children, Families, and Adults in Dutchess County Select Data Indicators document (available at <http://www.co.dutchess.ny.us/CountyGov/Departments/Health!Publications/HDHealthWellBeingICPReport.pdf>), strategic planning and coordination of services in OCFS' continuum of care for children, youth and families also supports the Cabinet's outcomes.

Describe your district's demographic, economic, and social characteristics.

Dutchess County is in the heart of the Hudson Valley, midway between New York City and Albany and encompasses approximately 800 square miles of rural, agricultural, urban and suburban land uses. This spreadout requires cars to get almost anywhere. US Census estimates of population, demographic, economic characteristics, social characteristics and housing units for Dutchess County are summarized below and compared with New York State:

See Quick Facts Chart

Population - Between 2010 and 2014, the population decreased 0.3%. Currently 11.7% of the population is foreign born with the majority arriving from Latin America. Much of the population increase observed in Dutchess County is due to international migration of documented individuals into the County. This influx is changing the face of Dutchess County. Among people at least five years old living in Dutchess County, 15.3% speak a language other than English at home (ACS 2009-2013). When considering cultural and economic challenges faced by immigrants, healthcare providers, and the County as a whole, it is important to remember that data regarding immigrants do not provide much information on undocumented immigrants.

Age and Gender- When examining changes in the population's age from 2010 to 2014, several trends are observed. The older population has increased, whereas the younger population 0-18 years has decreased.

Race -Dutchess County has less racial diversity than NYS, with 82.1% of the population as whites as opposed to NYS with 70.4% white. The Black population has increased from 9.9% in 2010, to 11.1% in 2014, The Asian population has increased during this time period from 3.5% in 2010 to 3.9% in 2014. The Hispanic population is also on the rise, increasing from 10.5% in 2010, to 11.6% in 2014. Minority populations in Dutchess County are centered primarily in the City of Poughkeepsie. The percentage of Blacks and Hispanic/Latinos in the City of Poughkeepsie are 33.5%, and 19.5%, respectively compared to 10.9%, and 11.3%, respectively in Dutchess County (ACS 2013).

Economic- Dutchess County appears to be a prosperous community. The median household income is significantly higher than that of the rest of New York State, and the fraction of persons living below the poverty line is 9.0 %-significantly less than the 15.3% poverty rate experienced throughout the rest of the state. Some areas of the County, however, do not enjoy this level of affluence. The poverty rate in the County's primary urban center, Poughkeepsie, has reached 23.6 %. In addition, pockets of rural poverty dot the countryside, providing a study of contrasts between the stately affluence and generational poverty that are experienced in neighboring communities.

A presentation by The Rockefeller Institute of Government on the fiscal challenges facing state and local governments shows that although the revenue crisis is easing, fiscal crisis continues for state and local governments. The Institute's research shows key variables such as taxable personal income, taxable consumption and home values are far below peak, and "longer-term pressures loom even after the cycle is behind us." Dutchess County is no exception. Unemployment for October 2015 was 4.2%, down from one year ago, but still higher than the average annual employment rate of 4% for 2007 prior to the downturn. As the economic downturn lingers, DCFS continues to see a significant demand for services. Food stamps and Medicaid caseloads are up over 2014 at this time, with total unduplicated individuals receiving DCFS assistance is up 48.6% from 2007 prior to the economic downturn. The County Clerk's Office reports a total of 1,300 foreclosures for the twelve months ending October 2015 showing an increase of 2.8% for the prior 12 month period.

According to 2015 Annual Homeless Assessment Report (AHAR) an estimated 1,833 individuals experienced homelessness in Dutchess County between October 1, 2014 and September 30, 2015, up slightly from the prior year's estimate of 1,744 homeless individuals, but down from the AHAR estimates for 2012 and 2013. The AHAR draws on data reported by housing providers through the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) and extrapolated data representing non-HMIS participating providers (Domestic Violence shelters & DCFS motel vouchers, etc.) to calculate an unduplicated homeless count. Another measure of homelessness is the Point in Time Count (PIT), an attempt to count the sheltered and un-sheltered homeless population on a single night in January each year. Dutchess County's 2015 PIT count resulted in identification of 375 homeless individuals (15 unsheltered and 360 sheltered) down from 403 homeless individuals reported in 2014's PIT. DCFS temporary shelter expenditures were \$1,540,523 for 2015, a decrease of 30% from 2014. Lack of affordable housing heightens the risk of homelessness in Dutchess County where there is a low rental vacancy rate of 2.3% and fair market rents are beyond the means of many low-income households. A Dutchess County worker earning minimum wage would need to work two full-time jobs to afford a studio apartment in Dutchess, based on HUD's guideline that to be affordable housing should not cost more than 30% of a household's income [County Planning Department's 2014 Rental Survey Report].

Social/Educational- 89.6% of people 25 years and over have at least graduated from high school and 33.4% have a bachelor's degree or higher (2014); 10.4% were dropouts; they were not enrolled in school and had not graduated from high school. The 2011-12 suspension rate of students for one full day or longer from public school varies in the County by school district with a high of 16 % for Poughkeepsie and Beacon at 14% to a low of 1% for Red Hook and 2% for Pawling and Rhinebeck (data.nysed.gov). School test scores for the County for 2014 and 2015 show 31% students in grades 3-8 are proficient in English –a 1% drop, and 36% students are proficient in math – a 12.5% increase from 2014.

Health - In 2015 Dutchess County ranked among the top 10 New York State counties for overall health outcomes and health factors according to the national County Health Rankings. Health insurance is a factor in access to health care for the prevention and treatment of disease and in

Dutchess the number of Dutchess residents with health insurance has been increasing. Issues of concern are the increasing number of drug overdoses and drug related hospitalizations, particularly due to heroin.

Planning Process

Describe the district's planning process and how that consultation informed your district's needs assessment, priorities, and outcomes.

The Child and Family Services Planning process tasks are assigned to the ICP Workgroup. The DCFS Assistant to the Commissioner for Program Planning facilitates the ICP Workgroup meetings. The ICP Workgroup tasks include:

- Provision of oversight for Child and Family Services Plan development between DCFS, the Youth Services, and the Office of Community Probation and Corrections,
- Assistance in the identification of needs, outcomes, and strategies, Monitoring of the countywide data document,
- Monitoring the on-going needs assessment activities, and
- Analysis of the data.

Over the past fifteen years, the ICP Workgroup met at least quarterly focusing on current strategies, identification of emerging trends and possible new strategies for inclusion in the next CFS Plan.

Meeting topics were:

- Child Protective Services, Foster Care and Adoption,
- Detention Issues,
- Runaway & Homeless Youth and Independent Living Needs, Adult Services and Domestic Violence,
- Child and Maternal Health,
- Children's Health needs, and
- Youth Development.

Members brought a range of professional expertise and their knowledge/involvement in other coalitions/committees that support our vision for Dutchess County. These committees include: DC Housing Consortium, Steering Committee of the Domestic Violence Response Team, Interagency Task Force on Child Sexual Abuse, Criminal Justice Council, Juvenile Justice Committee, Enhanced Coordinated Children's Services Initiative, Children's Mental Health Providers, WIB Youth Council, Choices for Change, and DC Elder Abuse Task Force. Many of the ICP Workgroup members are responsible for writing various county plans that direct efforts and funding in regards to children, youth, and families. Current ICP Workgroup membership includes:

- DCFS, Deputy Commissioner, Assistant to Commissioner for Planning, Director of Children's Services Director of Adult Services,
- Youth Services, Director and DC Runaway and Homeless Coordinator,
- Dept. of Health, Health Education and Planning Director and Deputy Commissioner,
- Dept. of Mental Hygiene, Coordinator for Children and Youth Services,
- Probation and Community Corrections, Director and Deputy Director,
- Hudson River Housing, Support Services Grant Administrator,
- Astor Services for Children a& Families, Program Director of Home Based Service Coordination,
- Mental Health Association, Executive Director,
- Family Services, Vice President, and
- Council on Addiction Prevention Education, Executive Director.

The planning process also included the following:

1. Public Hearing on the Proposed Plan in accordance with Section 34-a 3(a) of the Social Services law, a Public Hearing on the Plan was held on September 9, 2011. It was advertised in the Poughkeepsie Journal on August 25, 2011. Twenty four persons attended the hearing.

2. **Advisory Board for the Department of Community and Family Services-**The Commissioner and the Deputy Commissioner of the Department of Social Services meet at least quarterly with its 15 member Commissioner's Citizens Advisory Council. The Department's Director of Adult Services attends all meetings of the Council, consults with Council members on a regular basis and serves as the Department's liaison to the Council for the purpose of gathering input and suggestions for the Plan.

3. **Youth Board-** The County Executive restructured the Youth Board into the Youth Board and Coordinating Council in summer of 2014. Its mission is to strengthen community and family interaction with our young people in an effort to prevent crime, improve quality of life, and empower young people to lead productive lives and achieve greater success for themselves and their families. The new Coordinating Council brings together representatives from government, not-for-profits, businesses, and educational institutions. The Council will examine community risk factors, study best practices from other communities, and develop strategies to better address the challenges confronting young people today. The Council is advisory in nature, advising the County Legislature and Executive on youth policy through the Division of Youth Services located within the Department of Community & Family Services (DCFS). The Youth Board and Coordinating Council members and the County Executive's Office were kept informed of the on-going county planning process through the monthly Director's reports. The status chart for the last plan's strategies achieved by the Youth Bureau was distributed to members. The on-going Needs Assessment activities results assisted the Youth Board members in developing their OCFS funding priorities using the Touchstone Objectives.

4. **Municipalities-** There are no municipal youth bureaus in Dutchess County.

5. **Broad Based Community Participation-**The past year's needs assessment activities included broad based community representation through the DC Health Department's Community Health Assessment and Community Health Improvement plan activities and the County Department of Mental Hygiene's three public forums in 2015 covering Adult Mental Health Service Needs, Service Needs of Chemically Dependent Persons and the Mental Health Needs of Children and Youth. Members of the ICP workgroup attend these forums and the concerns raised and needs identified are shared with respective Departments, agencies and those responsible for plan strategy development Also, the Council on Addiction, Prevention and Education reported their significant findings from the Search Institute Survey results in six school districts at the Criminal Justice Council meeting.

In 2015 DCFS began holding semi-annual DCFS Navigator presentations for County departments, other agencies and community services providers to describe DCFS programs and services and to elicit feedback.

I - Child Protective Services

Child Protective Services Self-Assessment: Describe the success and challenges the district has experienced since the last plan update in the program area. Noting the data and trends as identified in Appendix C, and the cumulative district consultations (Appendix B-1 through B-6), describe the underlying conditions or factors that influence your performance in meeting the needs of children, youth, adults and families (as applicable).

2014 SELF-ASSESSMENT—REPORT

TARGET 1a 100% of cases conferenced will have plans and services assessed and revised to ensure that all issues of child safety and family needs are met.

RESULT 100% of CPS cases conferenced had plans and services assessed and revised to ensure that all issues of child safety and family needs are met. A log is maintained recording all of the meetings and minutes of what was discussed and planned. .

TARGET 1b DCFS will reduce the rate of recurrence to equal or below the statewide percentage.

RESULT As of 9/30/2014 DCFS was at 14.0 % of recurrence. The rest of the state was at 11.6%.

TARGET 1c. Dutchess County DCFS in collaboration with NYS OCFS will continue to provide Family Meetings Trainings until all staff are fully trained. Staff who have been trained will implement these meetings in their case practice.

RESULT DCFS continues the process of implementing training on Family Team Meetings in collaboration with OCFS. Trained staff are being assigned as Facilitators for Family Team Meetings and a log is maintained showing when meetings are assigned and to which Facilitator.

2015 SELF ASSESSMENT REPORT

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TARGET 1b. DCFS will reduce the rate of recurrence to equal or below the statewide percentage

RESULT As of 9/30/2015 DCFS was at 14.2% of recurrence and the statewide percentage was 12.0%.

TARGET 1c. Dutchess County DCFS in collaboration with NYS OCFS will continue to provide Family Meetings Trainings until all staff are fully trained. Staff who have been trained will implement these meetings in their case practice

RESULT DCFS continued the process of implementing Training on Family Team Meetings in collaboration with OCFS. Trained staff were assigned as Facilitators for Family Team Meetings and a log was maintained showing when meetings are assigned and to which Facilitator.

Due to the number of reports received in Dutchess County, CPS workers may be required to carry more than the 12 investigations per month recommended by an OCFS caseload study.

Child Protective Services Outcomes: Outcomes are based on the district's performance as identified through the data and trends in the Self-Assessment. Outcomes should be expressed as desired changes within a program area to address the underlying conditions or factors as noted in the district's Self-Assessment. The outcomes must be related to the use of OCFS funding, and/or required areas of services by the social services district and Youth Bureau. Districts may incorporate outcomes from their Child and Family Services Program Improvement Plan (PIP). List the district's outcomes for this program area and identify quantifiable indicators (measures) of the desired changes that you will use to track progress.

OUTCOME 1 CPS issues that affect Dutchess County children and families will be identified and addressed to reduce the risk of future abuse or maltreatment.

Indicator 1a. One hundred percent (100%) of CPS cases conferenced will have plans and services assessed and revised to ensure that all issues of child safety and family needs are met.

Indicator 1b. DCFS is presently at 17.8% of recurrence and the rest of the state is at 13.2%. DCFS plans to address this issue with the goal of reaching 12.4% which is the statewide percentage.

Indicator 1c. Dutchess County DCFS in collaboration with NYS OCFS will continue to provide Family Meetings Trainings until all staff are fully trained. Staff who have been trained will implement these meetings in their case practice.

Indicator 1d. Dutchess County DCFS will screen children for indicators of Child Sex Trafficking and refer them appropriately.

Child Protective Services Strategies to Achieve Outcomes: Describe the strategies that will be implemented to achieve the identified outcomes, including those strategies that support your Child and Family Services PIP outcomes. Each strategy should include the timeframe for completion and designation of what agency(ies) or department(s) is/are responsible for implementation. Explain how OCFS-administered funding supports achievement of outcomes.

Strategy 1a. Dutchess County DCFS Children's Services and legal staff members will participate in weekly case conferences to review CPS, Preventive and foster care cases which meet set criteria including complex issues, multiple service providers, differences of opinion, very young children and multiple CPS reports.

Strategy 1b. Dutchess County DCFS will reduce our Recurrence Rate of Child Maltreatment/Abuse by utilizing more community resources for families so that there will be more supportive services attached to the family when CPS is no longer involved. Dutchess County will also work on Consolidating Reports regularly when appropriate.

Strategy 1c. Dutchess County DCFS will utilize Family Meetings to locate resources for children more quickly and to give families an opportunity to assist in developing safety plans to enable children to remain home or exit foster care more quickly.

Strategy 1d. Dutchess County DCFS will screen all children listed on CPS reports for indicators of Child Sex Trafficking. The Rapid Indicator Tool to Identify Children Who May be Sex Trafficking victims or at risk of being a sex trafficking victim will be completed for every child on the report or in the family prior to the case being closed. If prompted to do so by the score, a Comprehensive Screening will be completed and case worker will follow steps outlined in 15-OCFS-ADM-16. All DCFS staff have the name of the Safe Harbour Liaison in D.C. and will do outreach as deemed necessary

II - Child Preventive Services

Child Preventive Services Self-Assessment: Describe the success and challenges the district has experienced since the last plan update in the program area. Noting the data and trends as identified in Appendix C, and the cumulative district consultations (Appendix B-1 through B-6), describe the underlying conditions or factors that influence your performance in meeting the needs of children, youth, adults and families (as applicable).

2014 SELF-ASSESSMENT--REPORT

TARGET 1a. One hundred percent (100%) of preventive cases conferenced will have plans and services assessed and revised to ensure that all issues of child safety and family needs are met.

RESULT 100% of preventive cases conferenced had plans and services assessed and revised as needed to address child safety and family needs. A log was maintained recording all of the meetings and minutes of what was discussed and planned..

TARGET 1b. 100% of families requesting voluntary placement will have assessment to determine whether **children can** be safely maintained at home with appropriate community supports and services in place prior

RESULT 100% of families requesting a voluntary placement had an assessment to determine whether the child could be safely maintained at home with community supports and services. Meetings were held at DCFS to discuss whether a family met the criteria for a voluntary placement after case manager had met with the family and gathered necessary information. DCFS had 3 Voluntary Placements in 2014..

TARGET 1c. Five (5) children per year will receive OMH waiver services.

RESULT 7 children received OMH waiver services

TARGET 1d. Dutchess County DCFS in collaboration with NYS OCFS will continue to provide Family Meetings Trainings until all staff are fully trained. Staff who have been trained will implement these meetings in their case practice.

RESULT DC DCFS continued the process of implementing Training on Family Team Meetings in collaboration with OCFS. Trained staff were assigned as Facilitators for Family Team Meetings and a log was maintained showing when meetings were assigned and to which Facilitator.

2015 SELF ASSESSMENT REPORT

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RESULT 100% of preventive cases conferenced had plans and services assessed and revised as needed to address child safety and family needs. A log was maintained recording all of the meetings and minutes of what was discussed and planned.

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RESULT 100% of families requesting a voluntary placement had an assessment to determine whether the child could be safely maintained at home with community supports and services. Meetings were held at DCFS to discuss whether a family met the criteria for a voluntary placement after case manager had met with the family and gathered necessary information. DCFS had 6 Voluntary Placements in 2015.

TARGET 1c. Five (5) children per year will receive OMH waiver services.

RESULT In 2015, 9 children received OMH waiver services.

TARGET 1d. Dutchess County DCFS in collaboration with NYS OCFS will continue to provide Family Meetings Trainings until all staff are fully trained. Staff who have been trained will implement these meetings in their case practice.

RESULT DCFS continued the process of implementing Training on Family Team Meetings in collaboration with OCFS. Trained staff were being assigned as Facilitators for Family Team Meetings and a log was maintained showing when meetings were assigned and to which Facilitator.

TARGET 2a. All PINS Diversion youth who are accepted for services will be screened by the Intake Review Committee (comprised of the Unit Administrator of the Diversion Unit, Intake Worker, Astor Community Based Services, Dept. of Mental Hygiene) for early identification of and linkage.

RESULT 243 PINS Complaints were received in 2015, while 6 PINS complaint cases were referred to Youth Services. 3 went to petition immediately and were forwarded to Family Court (Runaway, Refusal to participate in services). The remainder of cases were reviewed by the Intake Review Committee.

TARGET 2b. Not more than twenty percent (20%) of PINS complaints received will result in a petition to Family court.

RESULT 59 cases were referred to petition after having been accepted in Diversion Services (24%).

Dutchess County lost preventive slots for 36 families in 2010 due to budget cuts. There is sometimes a waiting list for preventive services, so Child Protective workers provide prevent services to families waiting for preventive slots.

Child Preventive Services Outcomes: Outcomes are based on the district's performance as identified through the data and trends in the Self-Assessment. Outcomes should be expressed as desired changes

within a program area to address the underlying conditions or factors as noted in the district's Self-Assessment. The outcomes must be related to the use of OCFS funding, and/or required areas of services by the social services district and Youth Bureau. Districts may incorporate outcomes from their Child and Family Services Program Improvement Plan (PIP). List the district's outcomes for this program area and identify quantifiable indicators (measures) of the desired changes that you will use to track progress.

OUTCOME 1: Families, including nuclear, extended and adoptive families are strengthened and supported so they are able to raise, nurture, and ensure the children's connections to their heritage and in planning for the children's futures (Title IVB Goal1 & Goal 5).

OUTCOME 2: Dutchess County will assist youth in assuming personal responsibility for their behavior and refraining from violence to avoid the necessity for out of placement.

OUTCOME 3 Issues that affect Dutchess County children and families will be identified and addressed to reduce the risk of future abuse or maltreatment.

Indicator 1a. One hundred percent (100%) of preventive cases conferenced will have plans and services assessed and revised to ensure that all issues of child safety and family needs are met.

Indicator 1b. One hundred percent (100%) of families requesting voluntary placement will have assessment to determine whether children can be safely maintained at home with appropriate community supports and services in place prior to a voluntary placement being made.

Indicator 1c. Five (5) children per year will receive OMH waiver services.

Indicator 1d. Dutchess County DCFS in collaboration with NYS OCFS will continue to provide Family Meetings Trainings until all staff are fully trained. Staff who have been trained will implement these meetings in their case practice.

Indicator 2a. All PINS Diversion youth who are accepted for services will be screened by the Intake Review Committee (comprised of the Unit Administrator of the Diversion Unit, Intake Worker, Astor Community Based Services, Dept. of Community & Behavioral Health) for early identification of and linkage.

Indicator 2b. Not more than twenty percent (20%) of PINS complaints received will result in a petition to Family court.

Indicator 3a. Dutchess County DCFS will screen children for indicators of Child Sex Trafficking and refer them appropriately.

Child Preventive Services Strategies to Achieve Outcomes: Describe the strategies that will be implemented to achieve the identified outcomes, including those strategies that support your Child and Family Services PIP outcomes. Each strategy should include the timeframe for completion and designation of what agency(ies) or department(s) is/are responsible for implementation. Explain how OCFS-administered funding supports achievement of outcomes.

Strategy 1a. Dutchess County DCFS Children's Services and legal staff members will participate in weekly case conferences to review Preventive cases which meet set criteria including complex issues, multiple service providers, differences of opinion, very young children, and multiple CPS reports. In addition, DCFS Preventive cases will be reviewed weekly with CPS and Astor Preventive Cases will be reviewed bi-weekly with CPS.

Strategy 1b. Birth families who request voluntary placement of children will meet with the DCFS intake worker and be referred to ECCSI and/or the Department of Probation if needed to try to prevent the need for a DCFS foster care placement.

Strategy 1c. Dutchess County DCFS will contract with Astor Home For Children to provide five crisis intervention waiver slots to provide in-home services to children at risk of psychiatric hospitalization and their families, to enable those children to remain in the community. 1d. Dutchess County DCFS will utilize Family Meetings to locate resources for children more quickly and to give families an opportunity to assist in developing safety plans to enable children to remain home or exit foster care more quickly.

Strategy 1d. Dutchess County DCFS in collaboration with NYS OCFS will continue to provide Family Meetings Trainings until all staff are fully trained. Staff who have been trained will implement these meetings in their case practice

Strategy 1e. Dutchess County DCFS will fund 4 crisis/respice beds at the Riverhaven Shelter for teens.

Strategy 2a. The Dutchess County Office of Probation will operate a Diversion Unit that provides intake, assessment and case planning services for families that target criminogenic areas of need and risk, and utilize a strength-based approach to increase protective factors and reduce dynamic risk.

Strategy 2b. When a recommendation for out-of-home placement is being considered, the case will be reviewed by the Dispositional Review Team.

Strategy 2c. Dutchess County Office of Probation will continue to refer appropriate families to River Haven's Respite Program.

Strategy 2d. DC Probation Officers who have been trained as facilitators of cognitive/behavioral curriculums will implement the Crossroads curriculum or other cognitive behavioral evidence based curriculum with a focus on life skills.

Strategy 2e. Collaborative Solutions Team members and one Probation Officer will provide Functional Family Therapy at the Office of Probation on a part-time basis.

Strategy 3a. Dutchess County DCFS will screen all children listed in preventive cases for indicators of Child Sex Trafficking. The Rapid Indicator Tool to Identify Children Who May be Sex Trafficking victims or at risk of being a sex trafficking victim will be completed for every child on the report or in the family prior to the case being closed. If prompted to do so by the score, a Comprehensive Screening will be completed and case worker will follow steps outlined in 15-OCFS-ADM-16. All DCFS staff have the name of the Safe Harbour Liaison in D.C. and will do outreach as deemed necessary

III - Foster Care

Foster Care Self-Assessment: Describe the success and challenges the district has experienced since the last plan update in the program area. Noting the data and trends as identified in Appendix C, and the cumulative district consultations (Appendix B-1 through B-6), describe the underlying conditions or factors that influence your performance in meeting the needs of children, youth, adults and families (as applicable).

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TARGET 1a. 100% of foster care cases conferenced will have plans and services assessed and revised to ensure that all issues of child safety and family needs are met.

RESULT 100% of foster care cases conferenced had plans and services assessed and revised as needed to ensure child safety and family needs. Representatives from our Legal Department and Administration are present at these meetings

TARGET 1b. DCFS will utilize available 82H waiver slots as they become available.

RESULT DCFS continued to utilize B2H waiver slots that were available. In 2014, 22 children were being serviced in the Severely Emotionally Disturbed Category, 6 children were being serviced in the Developmentally Disabled Category, and 4 children were being serviced in the Medically Fragile Category

TARGET 1c. Dutchess County DCFS in collaboration with NYS OCFS will continue to provide Family Meetings Trainings until all staff are fully trained. Staff who have been trained will implement these meetings in their case practice.

RESULT DCFS continued the process of implementing Training on Family Team Meetings in collaboration with OCFS. Trained staff are being assigned as Facilitators for Family Team Meetings and a log is maintained showing when meetings are assigned and to which Facilitator

TARGET 1d Sixty five percent (65%) of children will exit foster care within 2 years of date of placement.

RESULT 47% of children in care on 12/31/11 exited to a permanent exit within two years in Dutchess County.

TARGET 1e. A minimum of two independent living training sessions per year will be offered to independent living youth in Dutchess County foster homes

RESULT DCFS conducted two Independent Living Training Sessions yearly at DCFS. In addition, Independent Living Training was provided on an ongoing basis by contract agencies and foster parents

TARGET 1f. DCFS conducts two Independent Living Training Sessions yearly at DCFS. In addition, Independent Living Training is provided on an ongoing basis by contract agencies and foster parents

RESULT DCFS directly arranged and provided two Independent Living Trainings yearly and insured that contract agencies and foster parents were providing ongoing training to youth who have a goal of APPLA.

2015 SELF ASSESSMENT REPORT

TARGET 1a. One hundred percent (100%) of foster care cases conferenced will have plans and services assessed and revised to ensure that all issues of child safety and family needs are met.

RESULTS 100% of foster care cases conferenced had plans and services assessed and revised as needed to ensure child safety and family needs. Representatives from our Legal Department and Administration were present at these meetings.

TARGET 1b. DCFS will utilize available B2H waiver slots as they become available.

RESULTS DCFS continued to utilize all B2H waiver slots that were available. We had 26 children being serviced in the Severely Emotionally Disabled Category, 7 children in the Developmentally Disabled Category, and 4 children in the Medically Fragile Category.

TARGET 1c. Dutchess County DCFS in collaboration with NYS OCFS will continue to provide Family Meetings Trainings until all staff are fully trained. Staff who have been trained will implement these meetings in their case practice

RESULTS DCFS continued the process of implementing Training on Family Team Meetings in collaboration with OCFS. Trained staff were being assigned as Facilitators for Family Team Meetings and a log was maintained showing when meetings were assigned and to which Facilitator.

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RESULT DCFS conducted two Independent Living Training Sessions yearly at DCFS. In addition, Independent Living Training was provided on an ongoing basis by contract agencies and foster parents.

TARGET 1f. All youth with a goal of another planned permanency living arrangement who are in foster homes will receive independent living skills training.

RESULT DCFS directly arranged and provided two Independent Living Trainings yearly and insured that contract agencies and foster parents were providing ongoing training to youth who have a goal of APPLA.

Foster Care Outcomes: Outcomes are based on the district's performance as identified through the data and trends in the Self-Assessment. Outcomes should be expressed as desired changes within a program area to address the underlying conditions or factors as noted in the district's Self-Assessment. The outcomes must be related to the use of OCFS funding, and/or required areas of services by the social services district and Youth Bureau. Districts may incorporate outcomes from their Child and Family Services Program Improvement Plan (PIP). List the district's outcomes for this program area and identify quantifiable indicators (measures) of the desired changes that you will use to track progress.

OUTCOME 1: Children who are removed from their birth families will be ensured stability, continuity, and an environment that supports all aspects of their development (Title IV-B Goal 2).

Indicator 1a. One hundred percent (100%) of foster care cases conferenced will have plans and services assessed and revised to ensure that all issues of child safety and family needs are met.

Indicator 1b. DCFS will utilize available B2H waiver slots as they become available.

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Indicator 1f. All youth with a goal of another planned permanency living arrangement who are in foster homes will receive independent living skills training.

Indicator 1g. All youth in foster care will be screened for indicators of Child Sex Trafficking before or at the time of completion of the next FASP coming due.

Foster Care Strategies to Achieve Outcomes: Describe the strategies that will be implemented to achieve the identified outcomes, including those strategies that support your Child and Family Services PIP outcomes. Each strategy should include the timeframe for completion and designation of what agency(ies) or department(s) is/are responsible for implementation. Explain how OCFS-administered funding supports achievement of outcomes.

Strategy 1a. Additional foster parents qualified to care for children aged 0-21 are always needed, so Dutchess continually recruits families to provide foster care.

Strategy 1b. Increasing visitation can have positive effect on reunification of foster children and their biological parents, so Dutchess is looking for ways to achieve this. One strategy employed is that the Children's Museum in Poughkeepsie, NY has partnered with foster care to provide increased visitation for families the museum.

Strategy 1c. The Caseworker will complete the Rapid Indicator Tool to Identify Children Who May be Sex Trafficking victims or at risk of being a sex trafficking victim for every child in the family. If prompted to do so by the score, the caseworker will complete a Comprehensive Screening and will follow steps outlined in 15-OCFS-ADM-16. All DCFS staff will have the name of the Safe Harbour Liaison in D.C. and will do outreach as deemed necessary. At any time, during the life of the foster care/adoption case, if worker suspects or is concerned about the possibility of trafficking, subsequent screenings will be completed.

IV - Adoption

Adoption Self-Assessment: Describe the success and challenges the district has experienced since the last plan update in the program area. Noting the data and trends as identified in Appendix C, and the cumulative district consultations (Appendix B-1 through B-6), describe the underlying conditions or factors that influence your performance in meeting the needs of children, youth, adults and families (as applicable)

2014 SELF ASSESSMENT REPORT

TARGET 1a. One hundred percent (100%) of children who are freed for adoption by DC Family Court will be assigned an adoption worker within two weeks.

RESULT Adoption Workers were identified within two weeks for all children freed for adoption. They were not always assigned to the case within two weeks. DCFS continued to work on this measure to have adoption workers identified and assigned to cases within two weeks.

TARGET 1b. A minimum of one freed foster care youth will secure an adoptive resource through the Wendy's Wonderful Kids Program.

RESULT One freed child was referred to Wendy's Wonderful Kids Program and no adoptive resources were located.

TARGET 1c. A minimum of eighteen (18) meetings per year between DCFS adoption and foster care staff will be held.

RESULT 27 meetings were held between DCFS adoption and Foster Care staff to discuss cases.

2015 SELF ASSESSMENT REPORT

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TARGET 1c. A minimum of eighteen (18) meetings per year between DCFS adoption and foster care staff will be held.

RESULT 26 meetings were held between DCFS Adoption and Foster Care Staff to discuss cases.

Due to many factors, including children's complex needs, NYS, DSS and family court time frames and available adoption resources, it may be longer than 24 months from the date of foster care placement to the date of adoption. DSS, Dutchess County Family Court and other community agencies are working together

to develop strategies to more quickly achieve the permanency goal of adoption for children.

Adoption Outcomes: Outcomes are based on the district's performance as identified through the data and trends in the Self-Assessment. Outcomes should be expressed as desired changes within a program area to address the underlying conditions or factors as noted in the district's Self-Assessment. The outcomes must be related to the use of OCFS funding, and/or required areas of services by the social services district and Youth Bureau. Districts may incorporate outcomes from their Child and Family Services Program Improvement Plan (PIP). List the district's outcomes for this program area and identify quantifiable indicators (measures) of the desired changes that you will use to track progress.

OUTCOME 1: Once a child under 13 or over 14 who consents to being adopted is completely freed in Dutchess County Family Court, a permanent family will be found for the child.

OUTCOME 2: Children who are removed from their birth families will be ensured stability, continuity, and an environment that supports all aspects of their development (Title IV-B Goal 2).

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Indicator 2a. All youth in Adoption cases will be screened for indicators of Child Sex Trafficking before or at the time of completion of the next FASP coming due.

Adoption Strategies to Achieve Outcomes: Describe the strategies that will be implemented to achieve the identified outcomes, including those strategies that support your Child and Family Services PIP outcomes. Each strategy should include the timeframe for completion and designation of what agency(ies) or department(s) is/are responsible for implementation. Explain how OCFS-administered funding supports achievement of outcomes.

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V - Detention

Detention Self-Assessment: Describe the success and challenges the district has experienced since the last plan update in the program area. Noting the data and trends as identified in Appendix C, and the cumulative district consultations (Appendix B-1 through B-6), describe the underlying conditions or factors that influence your performance in meeting the needs of children, youth, adults and families (as applicable).

2014 OUTCOMES--REPORT

TARGET 1a. One hundred (100%) percent of youth remanded to detention for a Juvenile Delinquency act will be assessed using the approved NYS OCFS validated detention tool.

RESULT Achieved. The submitted and approved DRAI plan has been fully implemented. Staff training was completed at the time of implementation for all staff members who are responsible for completing the assessments. Training is also ongoing for new staff members as needed. All JD youth who appeared before the Family Court Judge had a DRAI completed.

TARGET 1b. Dutchess County will acquire sufficient data regarding the issue of disproportionate minority confinement to determine the scope of the problem in the county.

RESULT Discussion regarding disproportionate minority confinement at Juvenile Justice Committee and Court Involved Youth were agenda items. NYS OCFS Child welfare data indicates that Dutchess County has a high disparity rate for African American and Hispanic /Latino children and their families in the child welfare system. Addressing disproportionate minority representation locally will require that all of the stakeholders, including the County Executive and staff, Family Court Judges and other personnel, the County Attorney, Department of Social Services, Law Guardians and Probation have a common understanding of the use of the detention screening tool and the alternative detention options available. Ongoing communication through our standing committees, such the Court Involved Youth Committee and Juvenile Justice Committee is a necessary component to assess and improve our efforts in this area. We must continue to meet to add outcomes and any process issues that might be addressed to improve outcomes. The Office of Probation has obtained some training materials designed to increase awareness of this issue among our staff.

TARGET 1c. Ten (10) youth will be discharged from detention to Juvenile Pre-trial services.

RESULT Achieved. 29 youth were discharged from detention to Juvenile Pre-Trial Services as follows: 18, Electronic Home Detention with RUS; 4, Curfew Monitoring; 3, Pre-Dispositional Release Under Supervision (RUS); and 4, River Haven Respite Services. 45 youth were placed on Juvenile Pre-Trial services (Released Under Supervision) as an alternative to being placed in detention. 33 youth successfully completed.

TARGET 1d. Ten (10) youth will be placed on Juvenile Pre-trial services as an alternative to being placed in detention.

RESULT Achieved. 45 youth were placed on Juvenile Pre-Trial services (Released Under Supervision) as an alternative to being placed in detention. 33 youth successfully completed.

TARGET 1e. Seventy-five percent (75%) of youth who receive curfew monitoring services will avoid detention or out-of-home placement.

RESULT Partially Achieved. 77% of youth who received pre-dispositional curfew monitoring services avoided detention and out of home placement.

TARGET 1f. Seventy percent (70%) of youth who receive electronic monitoring services will avoid detention or out-of-home placement.

RESULT Partially Achieved. 77% of youth who received pre-trial electronic monitoring services avoided detention and out of home placement.

2015 OUTCOMES--REPORT

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TARGET 1c. Ten (10) youth will be discharged from detention to Juvenile Pre-trial services.

RESULT Achieved. 49 youth were discharged from detention to Juvenile Pre-Trial Services as follows: 29, Electronic Home Detention with RUS; 12, Curfew Monitoring; 5, Pre-Dispositional In 48 youth were placed on Juvenile Pre-Trial services (Released Under Supervision) as an alternative to being placed in detention. 45 of those placed on the program have been successful to date.

TARGET 1d. Ten (10) youth will be placed on Juvenile Pre-trial services as an alternative to being placed in detention.

RESULT Achieved. 48 youth were placed on Juvenile Pre-Trial services (Released Under Supervision) as an alternative to being placed in detention. 45 of those placed on the program have been successful to date.

TARGET 1e. Seventy-five percent (75%) of youth who receive curfew monitoring services will avoid detention or out-of-home placement.

RESULT Partially Achieved. 67% of youth who received pre-dispositional curfew monitoring services avoided detention and out of home placement.

TARGET 1f. Seventy percent (70%) of youth who receive electronic monitoring services will avoid detention or out-of-home placement.

RESULT Partially Achieved. 68% of youth who received pre-trial electronic monitoring services avoided detention and out of home placement.

In 2009 the Dutchess County Office of Probation began offering Juvenile Pre-Dispositional Services to Family Court. Since that time the Family Court Judges, Law Guardians and County Attorneys have embraced these services and make use of them in a majority of cases. Pre-dispositional services such as Electronic Monitoring, Curfew Monitoring, Release Under Supervision are employed various stages in the juvenile justice system. These programs have been shown to be effective as an alternative to detention and as a means of shortening a respondent's stay in detention. It should be noted that all youth who participate in the juvenile EM Program on a pre-dispositional basis also receive RUS supervision as an element of EM. It is not uncommon for a youth to be admitted to one of these programs multiple times during the course of a particular PINS or JD matter pending before the court. In this way, the court has the flexibility to respond to the needs of the youth and the community depending on the circumstances. Even in cases where youth

are not able to avoid detention, in many instances their length of stay is reduced.

As the courts have incorporated the use of the various pre-dispositional services, there has been a trend to often utilize curfew monitoring initially or RUS alone and then increase supervision to a more intense program such as electronic monitoring for those youth who act out. In the same way, youth who comply with a particular program may be "stepped down" to a less intense program for instance, from Electronic Monitoring to Curfew monitoring to RUS alone. As a result, in many cases the youth exhibiting the highest risk are ultimately assigned to the most intense form of supervision in an effort to provide structure and address their needs in lieu of detention. It should be noted that respondents are often released from detention to one of the pre-dispositional programs as well.

It is crucial that all of the stakeholders, including the County Executive and staff, Family Court Judges and other personnel, the County Attorney, Department of Social Services, Law Guardians and Probation have a common understanding of the use of the detention screening tool and the alternatives to detention options available. Ongoing communication through our standing committees, such as the Court Involved Youth Committee and Juvenile Justice Committee is a necessary component to assess and improve our efforts in this area. We continue to meet to address outcomes and any process issues that might be addressed to improve outcomes.

Resources also affect our outcomes. We instituted the Juvenile Pre-Trial program without any additions to staff. The two Family Court Units have also been impacted by a number of staff retirements. They have continued to deliver services effectively despite the unprecedented staff turnover.

Detention Outcomes: Outcomes are based on the district's performance as identified through the data and trends in the Self-Assessment. Outcomes should be expressed as desired changes within a program area to address the underlying conditions or factors as noted in the district's Self-Assessment. The outcomes must be related to the use of OCFS funding, and/or required areas of services by the social services district and Youth Bureau. Districts may incorporate outcomes from their Child and Family Services Program Improvement Plan (PIP). List the district's outcomes for this program area and identify quantifiable indicators (measures) of the desired changes that you will use to track progress.

OUTCOME 1: The Dutchess County Office of Probation and Community Corrections will work collaboratively with the Family Court, County Attorney's Office, Law Guardians and the Department of Community and Family Services to ensure that youth in detention have been objectively screened with a validated assessment tool and all alternatives to detention options have been fully utilized.

Indicator 1a. One hundred (100%) percent of youth remanded to detention for a Juvenile Delinquency act will be assessed using the approved NYS OCFS validated detention tool.

Indicator 1b. Dutchess County will acquire sufficient data regarding the issue of disproportionate minority confinement to determine the scope of the problem in the county.

Indicator 1c. Ten (10) youth will be discharged from detention to Juvenile Pre-trial services.

Indicator 1d. Ten (10) youth will be placed on Juvenile Pre-trial services as an alternative to being place in detention.

Indicator 1e. Seventy percent (70%) of youth who receive curfew monitoring services will avoid detention or out-of-home placement.

Indicator 1f. Sixty five percent (65%) of youth who receive electronic monitoring services will avoid detention or out-of-home placement.

Detention Strategies to Achieve Outcomes: Describe the strategies that will be implemented to achieve the identified outcomes, including those strategies that support your Child and Family Services PIP outcomes. Each strategy should include the timeframe for completion and designation of what agency(ies)

or department(s) is/are responsible for implementation. Explain how OCFS-administered funding supports achievement of outcomes.

Strategy 1a. Youth in detention for a Juvenile Delinquency act will be screened using an objective detention screening tool approved by OCFS.

Strategy 1b. DC Probation as a member of the Court Involved Youth Committee will examine disproportionate minority confinement in secure and non-secure detention.

Strategy 1c. Based on the results of the screening tool, a recommendation for release to the least restrictive alternative to detention program will be made where indicated.

Strategy 1d. Efficacy of and planning for alternative to detention options shall be driven by available data.

VI - Youth Development

Youth Development Self-Assessment: Describe the success and challenges the district has experienced since the last plan update in the program area. Noting the data and trends as identified in Appendix C, and the cumulative district consultations (Appendix B-1 through B-6), describe the underlying conditions or factors that influence your performance in meeting the needs of children, youth, adults and families (as applicable).

2014 SELF ASSESSMENT REPORT

TARGET 1a.Employment/internship funded programs will meet 70% of their outcomes.

RESULT: Seven programs funding in 2014 (Children's Media Project, Cornell Cooperative Ext, Mill St Loft, T/Hyde Park Rec, T/Pleasant Valley Rec, T/Poughkeepsie Rec, Northeast Community Council) yielded an average of 96% of their outcomes met.

TARGET 1b.90% of the meetings will be attended to allocate the WIB SYEP funding each year.

RESULT: 100% of the meetings for WIB SYEP were attended. Additionally, One youth member of the Youth Board participated on the SYEP Proposals committee.

TARGET 2 a.70% of youth served will successfully complete their program services and not enter/reenter the Juvenile Justice system.

RESULT: Youth Services Unit provided direct support services at no cost to youth and their families throughout the entire county. 169 youth were served and 81% of the closed cases successfully completed their goals to improve behavior and/or coping skills and were linked to services to avoid out-of-home placement.**TARGET 2b.**Funded programs will meet 60% of their outcomes.

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RESULT: Four programs were funded in 2014 (HRH River Haven Shelter, HRH River Haven Independent Living, Child Abuse Prevention Center, and Grace Smith House) and they met their outcomes with an average of 90%.

TARGET 2c. Funded programs will meet 70% of their outcomes.

RESULT: Ten programs were funded (CAPE, Family Services Inc, HRH Enrichment, Northeast Community Council, T/Amenia, T/Clinton, C/Beacon, T/Hyde Park, T/Poughkeepsie, and T/Red Hook) and they met their outcomes with an average of 94%.

TARGET 3a. A minimum of one scholarship will be awarded annually.

RESULT: One DCC student was awarded a \$2,000 scholarship.

TARGET 4a. Funded programs will meet 70% of their outcomes.

RESULT: Six programs were funded (T/Beekman Rec, Children's Media Project, Cornell Cooperative Ext, Grace Smith House, Mill St Loft, and Northeast Community Council) and they met their outcomes with an average of 81%.

TARGET 4b. Funded programs will complete at least one community service project and/or meet 80% of their outcomes.

RESULT: Two programs were funded (Northeast Community Council and T/Red Hook Rec) and they met their outcomes with an average of 79%.

TARGET 4c. The Youth Council will successfully complete at least three community service projects, one leadership training, and host four guest speakers to address teen related issues.

RESULT: The 2014-2015 Youth Council had 30 members representing nine public high schools, two private high schools, and one alternative high school. Youth Council members completed five community service projects, attended the Youth Forum, and hosted six guest lecturers on various topics.

TARGET 4d. Funded programs will meet 75% of their outcomes.

RESULT: Four programs were funded (Mediation Center, T/Red Hook Conflict Resolution, T/Pleasant Valley Rec, and Northeast Community Council) and they met their outcomes with an average of 91%.

TARGET 4e. Funded programs will meet 75% of their outcomes.

RESULT: One program was funded (Hands On the Hudson Valley/Voluntary Action Center) and it met 80% of its intended outcomes.

TARGET 5a. Funded programs will meet 75% of their outcomes.

RESULT: Two programs were funded (Child Abuse Prevention Center and Family Services Inc) and they met their outcomes with an average of 88%.

TARGET 5b. Funded programs will meet 75% of their outcomes.

RESULT: Two programs were funded (Child Abuse Prevention Center and Family Services Inc) and they met their outcomes with an average of 97%.

TARGET 5c. Attendance of at least 70% of the varying committee/coalition meetings each year.

RESULT: Youth Services staff participated in at least 85-90% of the meetings held for several interagency committees throughout the year including the Children's Provider Committee, Juvenile Justice Committee, ECCSI Committee, Dutchess Co Juvenile Reentry Consortium, WIB Summer Youth Employment, Hudson Valley Youth Bureau Association, and the ICP Workgroup.

2015 SELF ASSESSMENT REPORT

TARGET 1a. Employment/internship funded programs will meet 70% of their outcomes.

RESULT: Not yet available

TARGET 1b. 90% of the meetings will be attended to allocate the WIB SYEP funding each year.

RESULT: 100% of the meetings for WIB SYEP were attended. Additionally, One youth member of the Youth Board participated on the SYEP Proposals committee.

TARGET 2a. 70% of youth served will successfully complete their program services and not enter/reenter the Juvenile Justice system.

RESULT: Youth Services Unit provided free counseling services to youth and their families throughout the entire county. 178 youth were served and 88.3% of the closed cases successfully completed their goals to improve behavior and/or coping skills and were linked to services to avoid out-of-home placement.

TARGET 2b. Funded programs that link youth to intervention and treatment services will meet 60% of their outcomes.

RESULT: Not yet available

TARGET 2c. Funded programs that provide increased opportunities to increase levels of physical fitness will meet 70% of their outcomes.

RESULT: Not yet available

TARGET 3a. A minimum of one scholarship will be awarded annually.

RESULT: Two DCC students were each awarded \$1,500 scholarships.

TARGET 4a. Funded programs that promote constructive use of time during out of school hours will meet 70% of their outcomes.

RESULT: Not yet available

TARGET 4b. Community service funded programs will complete at least one community service project and/or meet 80% of their outcomes.

RESULT: Not yet available

TARGET 4c. The Youth Council will successfully complete at least three community service projects, one leadership training, and host four guest speakers to address teen related issues.

RESULT: Not yet available

TARGET 4d. Funded programs that offer skill building experiences will meet 75% of their outcomes.

RESULT: Not yet available

TARGET 4e. Funded programs to reduce youth violence will meet 75% of their outcomes.

RESULT: Not yet available

TARGET 5a. Funded programs that provide services to children and youth victims of violence will meet 75% of their outcomes.

RESULT: Not yet available

TARGET 5b. Funded programs that provide education on personal safety and domestic violence will meet 75% of their outcomes

RESULT: Not yet available

NYS OCFS funding streams, SDPP and YDDP, ended on 12/31/13 and on 1/1/14, a new funding stream called Youth Development Program will take effect. Families are experiencing greater stressors across milieus. The Developmental Assets model has been institutionalized in many of our nonprofit agencies which are directly reflected in their youth programming. The Division of Youth Services will continue to promote the Developmental Assets in program development. We will also continue to increase opportunities for young people to develop leadership skills, life skills, and to provide their "voice" in youth program.

Youth Development Outcomes: Outcomes are based on the district's performance as identified through the data and trends in the Self-Assessment. Outcomes should be expressed as desired changes within a program area to address the underlying conditions or factors as noted in the district's Self-Assessment. The outcomes must be related to the use of OCFS funding, and/or required areas of services by the social services district and Youth Bureau. Districts may incorporate outcomes from their Child and Family Services Program Improvement Plan (PIP). List the district's outcomes for this program area and identify quantifiable indicators (measures) of the desired changes that you will use to track progress.

OUTCOME 1. Youth will be prepared for their eventual economic self-sufficiency. (LA1ES, Goal 11)

OUTCOME 2: Children and youth will have optimal physical and emotional health. (LA2PEH, Goal 21)

OUTCOME 3: Children will leave school prepared to live, learn and work in a community as contributing members of society. (LA.3ED, Goal31).

OUTCOME 4: Children and youth will demonstrate good citizenship as law abiding, contributing members of their families, schools and communities. (LA4CVC, Goal41).

OUTCOME 5: Families will provide children with safe, stable and nurturing environments. (LA5FAM, Goal 51).

OUTCOME 6: NYS communities will provide children, youth and families with healthy, safe thriving environments. NYS Communities will provide children, youth and their families with opportunities to help them meet their needs for physical, social, moral and emotional growth. (LA6COM, Goals 61 & 62)

Indicator 1a. Funded programs will meet 70% of their outcomes.

Indicator 1b. 90% of the meetings will be attended to allocate the WIB SYEP funding each year.

Indicator 2a. 70% of youth served will successfully complete their program services and not enter/reenter the Juvenile Justice system.

Indicator 2b. Funded programs will meet 60% of their outcomes.

Indicator 2c. Funded programs meet 70% of their outcomes.

Indicator 3a. A minimum of one scholarship will be awarded annually.

Indicator 3b. Funded programs meet 70% of their outcomes.

Indicator 4a. Funded programs will meet 70% of their outcomes.

Indicator 4b. Funded programs will meet 70% of their outcomes

Indicator 4c. The Youth Council will successfully complete at least three community service projects, one leadership training, and host four guest speakers to address teen related issues.

Indicator 4d. Funded programs will meet 75% of their outcomes.

Indicator 4e. Funded programs will meet 75% of their outcomes.

Indicator 5a. Funded programs will meet 75% of their outcomes.

Indicator 5b. Funded programs will meet 75% of their outcomes

Indicator 5c. Attendance of at least 70% of the varying committee/coalition meetings each year.

Indicator 6a. Funded programs will meet 70% of their outcomes.

Indicator 6b. Funded programs will meet 70% of their outcomes

Youth Development Strategies to Achieve Outcomes: Describe the strategies that will be implemented to achieve the identified outcomes, including those strategies that support your Child and Family Services PIP outcomes. Each strategy should include the timeframe for completion and designation of what agency(ies) or department(s) is/are responsible for implementation. Explain how OCFS-administered funding supports achievement of outcomes.

Strategy 1a. To provide youth with Life Skills Supports the Youth Board will fund services to enhance the skills of youth in areas of self care, daily living, personal finance and budgeting, managing interpersonal relationships, information technology, and other topics that develop the skill set of youth to reach independence (YBCC Priority SOS 0123).

Strategy 1b. Director of Youth Services will participate on the WIB Summer Youth Employment Program grant allocation process.

Strategy 2a. Youth Services will provide direct support services to youth and families to promote emotional health (Youth Services Unit).

Strategy 2b. To provide access to services, the Youth Board will fund services that link youth to intervention and treatment services (YBCC Priority SOS 0231; 0234; 0235).

Strategy 2c. To promote optimal physical health, the Youth Board will fund programs that provide opportunities to increase levels of physical fitness (YBCC Priority SOS 0232).

Strategy 3a. To assist county youth in achieving higher education, the Youth Board will provide scholarships at Dutchess Community College.

Strategy 3b. To provide academic support services to youth, the Youth Board will fund programs that offer resources to support a youth's optimal academic performance (YBCC Priority SOS 0311).

Strategy 4a. To promote constructive use of time, the Youth Board will fund programs that provide youth with positive and productive activities during the out-of-school hours (YBCC Priority SOS 0424).

Strategy 4b. To increase youth leadership and empowerment opportunities, the Youth Board will fund programs that provide character education, leadership skills development and/or community/civic activities (YBCC Priority SOS 0420).

Strategy 4c. The Division of Youth Services will organize and sponsor the DC Youth Council to provide high school students opportunities and training for youth leadership, youth empowerment and develop civic values.

Strategy 4d. The Youth Board will fund programs that offer skill building experiences, such as social competencies, arts and cultural awareness, athletics and recreation, health information, and conflict resolution (SOS 0422, 0423, and YBCC Priority SOS 0424).

Strategy 4e. To reduce youth violent incidents and/or recidivism rates, the Youth Board will fund municipal juvenile bureaus or school resource officer programs (SOS 0421).

Strategy 5a. To increase family supports, the Youth Board will fund programs that focus on strengthening families and communities so they can foster the optimal development of children, youth, and adult family members (YBCC Priority SOS 0521).

Strategy 5b. To increase abuse and neglect prevention supports, the Youth Board will fund programs that educate families on the different types of abuse, provide support services to prevent abuse/neglect, and offer intervention/treatment services that support a family in preventing abuse/neglect of a child (YBCC Priority SOS 0522).

Strategy 5c. To improve service coordination and interagency collaboration, The Division of Youth Services staff will participate on interagency committees/coalitions to address youth violence, family issues, substance abuse, and other youth related matters.

Strategy 6a. To increase mentoring supports for youth, the Youth Board will fund programs which link youth to positive role models that are sustained over a period of time (YBCC Priority SOS 0628).

Strategy 6b. To increase youth opportunities for community service and activism, the Youth Board will fund programs which link youth to volunteer projects and with opportunities to be civically engaged.. (YBCC Priority SOS 0634).

VII - Domestic Violence

Domestic Violence Self-Assessment: Describe the success and challenges the district has experienced since the last plan update in the program area. Noting the data and trends as identified in Appendix C, and the cumulative district consultations (Appendix B-1 through B-6), describe the underlying conditions or factors that influence your performance in meeting the needs of children, youth, adults and families (as applicable).

2014 SELF-ASSESSMENT REPORT

Target 1. A minimum of 175 families per year will receive direct services or consultation services from the domestic violence liaison.

RESULT In 2014 The DVL's completed 135 new assessments and 30 reassessments.

2015 SELF-ASSESSMENT REPORT

Target 1. A minimum of 175 families per year will receive direct services or consultation services from the domestic violence liaison

RESULT In 2015 the DVL's completed 158 new assessments and 52 reassessments. This represents an increase of 15% in new assessments and a 42% in reassessments.

Domestic violence often goes unreported. It may exist and workers may be unaware. Risk is highest when the decision to separate is made. Safety is an issue in reporting and leaving the abuser may cause homelessness.

Domestic Violence Outcomes: Outcomes are based on the district's performance as identified through the data and trends in the Self-Assessment. Outcomes should be expressed as desired changes within a program area to address the underlying conditions or factors as noted in the district's Self-Assessment. The outcomes must be related to the use of OCFS funding, and/or required areas of services by the social services district and Youth Bureau. Districts may incorporate outcomes from their Child and Family Services Program Improvement Plan (PIP). List the district's outcomes for this program area and identify quantifiable indicators (measures) of the desired changes that you will use to track progress.

OUTCOME 1: Victims of family violence, both child and adult will be afforded the safety and support necessary to achieve self sufficiency and/or to promote their continued growth and development (child). (Title IV-B goal 3).

Indicator 1a. A minimum of 175 families per year will receive direct services or consultation services from the domestic violence liaison.

Domestic Violence Strategies to Achieve Outcomes: Describe the strategies that will be implemented to achieve the identified outcomes, including those strategies that support your Child and Family Services PIP outcomes. Each strategy should include the timeframe for completion and designation of what agency(ies) or department(s) is/are responsible for implementation. Explain how OCFS-administered funding supports achievement of outcomes.

Strategy 1a. Two domestic violence liaisons will be located in Dutchess County DCFS Children's Services division to act as a resource and support to Children's Services staff members in their work with families dealing with domestic violence issues.

VIII - Child Care

Child Care Self-Assessment: Describe the success and challenges the district has experienced since the last plan update in the program area. Noting the data and trends as identified in Appendix C, and the cumulative district consultations (Appendix B-1 through B-6), describe the underlying conditions or factors that influence your performance in meeting the needs of children, youth, adults and families (as applicable).

2014 SELF-ASSESSMENT-REPORT

TARGET 1a. 100% of families guaranteed childcare will have funds available to them during the fiscal year.

RESULT Sufficient Funds were available so that all families guaranteed childcare

TARGET 1b. 75% of investigations are completed timely.

RESULT 100% of investigations were completed in a timely manner.

2015 SELF-ASSESSMENT-REPORT

TARGET 1a. 100% of families guaranteed childcare will have funds available to them during the fiscal year.

RESULT Sufficient Funds were available so that all families guaranteed childcare

TARGET 1b. 75% of investigations are completed timely.

RESULT 100% of investigations were completed in a timely manner.

Worsening economic conditions in the County have increased need and forced the district to limit eligibility in the optional categories of eligible families to those whose income is at or below 125% of the SIS.

Child Care Outcomes: Outcomes are based on the district's performance as identified through the data and trends in the Self-Assessment. Outcomes should be expressed as desired changes within a program area to address the underlying conditions or factors as noted in the district's Self-Assessment. The outcomes must be related to the use of OCFS funding, and/or required areas of services by the social services district and Youth Bureau. Districts may incorporate outcomes from their Child and Family Services Program Improvement Plan (PIP). List the district's outcomes for this program area and identify quantifiable indicators

(measures) of the desired changes that you will use to track progress.

OUTCOME 1: Dutchess County will make available and accessible child care to families eligible for child care services under the NYSCCBG program

Indicator 1a. One hundred percent (100%) of families guaranteed childcare will have CDBG funds available to them during the fiscal year.

Indicator 1b. Seventy five percent (75%) of investigations are completed in a timely manner.

Child Care Strategies to Achieve Outcomes: Describe the strategies that will be implemented to achieve the identified outcomes, including those strategies that support your Child and Family Services PIP outcomes. Each strategy should include the timeframe for completion and designation of what agency(ies) or department(s) is/are responsible for implementation. Explain how OCFS-administered funding supports achievement of outcomes.

Strategy 1a. CDBG expenditures will be monitored so that funding remains available throughout the year for families guaranteed childcare.

Strategy 1b. Child care Front End Detection investigations will be completed in a manner that will allow the avoidance of improper payments while processing of applications within 30 days.

IX - Runaway and Homeless Youth

Runaway and Homeless Youth Self-Assessment: Describe the success and challenges the district has experienced since the last plan update in the program area. Noting the data and trends as identified in Appendix C, and the cumulative district consultations (Appendix B-1 through B-6), describe the underlying conditions or factors that influence your performance in meeting the needs of children, youth, adults and families (as applicable).

2014 SELF-ASSESSMENTREPORT

TARGET 1a A minimum of twenty five (25) youth per year including runaway, homeless, PINS, JD, abused and neglected children will be provided a safe haven and case management.

RESULT A total of 101 youth were provided a safe haven and case management in 2014

TARGET 1b at least 100 runaway and homeless youth will be provided emergency housing and case management in times of crisis through HRH's River Haven Shelter.

RESULT A total of 101 runaway and homeless youth were provided emergency housing and case management.

TARGET 1c. At discharge from the shelter, 95% of the youth served will be re-united with their families or placed in an otherwise safe and appropriate residence.

RESULT At discharge from the shelter, 97 youth (96% of 101 youth served) met outcome.

TARGET 1d. At least 85% of the youth served by HRH's River Haven Shelter will be diverted from 'out of home' placement through the juvenile justice, mental health or child welfare systems.

RESULT 94 youth (93% of 101 youth served) met outcome.

TARGET 1e. At least 10 older homeless youth will reside in supervised transitional housing at HRH's River Haven Transitional Living Community (TLC) and participate in services to increase their self-sufficiency skills

RESULT 10 older homeless youth received supervised transitional housing and services through HRH's River Haven Transitional Living Community (TLC) .

TARGET1f. At least 80% of the youth served by TLC will be living independently or In otherwise appropriate permanent housing and will be employed and/or attending an educational program at the time of discharge.

RESULT 100% of the TLC youth discharged in 2014, entered appropriate permanent housing. .

TARGET 1g. HRH's River Haven Independent living Support Program (ILSP) will provide at least 60 older homeless and at risk youth with case management service and other supports to help them increase self-sufficiency skills, pursue educational/vocational training and/or employment goals, obtain needed services and secure/sustain appropriate housing .

RESULT 57 youth were served, slightly lower than the target number due to funding and related staffing reductions. .

TARGET 1h. At discharge from ILSP, 75% of youth served will have safe, stable housing appropriate to their needs and will be employed and/or attending an educational program

RESULT : 81% of the youth discharged in 2014 met target..

TARGET 2a The RHYSC and for RHYA Service Provider will attend at least 75% of the ICP & DCHC meetings & share information about RHY needs & services at least annually.

RESULT RHYSC and/or RHYA Service Provider were represented at 100% of DCHC meetings and 75% of ICP meetings in 2014. Information about RHY needs and services was shared with each group at least annually.

2015 SELF ASSESSMENT

TARGET 1a. 100 youth including runaway, homeless, victims of alleged abuse, maltreatment or human trafficking, and/or PINS/JD youth in need of respite will receive short-term residential care and case management services through Hudson River Housing's OCFS certified RHYA emergency shelter known as River Haven.

RESULT 1a: 60 youth were housed and received case management services in 2015. Number was lower than projected due to a fire, which necessitated relocating the shelter to a temporary, smaller location and moving the shelter back to its original site once repairs were made. Certification process and other inspections had to be completed at each site before the Program was permitted to admit youth.

TARGET 1b. At discharge from the shelter, 95% of the youth served will be re-united with their families or placed in an otherwise safe and appropriate residence.

RESULT 1b: 57 youth or 95% of the 60 youth served met outcome

TARGET 1c. At least 85% of the youth served by HRH's River Haven Shelter will be diverted from 'out of home' placement through the juvenile justice, mental health or child welfare systems.

RESULT 1c: 52 youth (86% of the 60 youth served) met the target.

TARGET 1d. HRH's River Haven Independent Living Support Program (ILSP) will provide at least 60 older homeless and at risk youth with case management services and other supports to help them increase self-sufficiency skills, pursue educational/vocational training and/or employment goals, obtain needed services and secure/sustain appropriate housing

RESULT 1d: 56 youth were served, slightly lower than the target number. Lower number served is attributed to relocation of the Program which resulted in brief delay in scheduling new intakes.

TARGET 1e. At discharge from ILSP, 75% of youth served will have safe, stable housing appropriate to their needs and will be employed and/or attending an educational program.

RESULT 1e: 80% of those youth discharged met target.

TARGET 1f. Though no longer operating an OCFS certified residential Transitional Independent Living Program, HRH will provide young adult specific, supported transitional housing for at least 9 homeless individuals between the ages of 18 and 25.

RESULT 1g: HRH provided young adult specific, supported transitional housing for 12 homeless individuals between the ages of 18 and 25 during 2015.

TARGET 2a. The RHYSC and/or RHYA Service Provider will attend at least 75% of the ICP & DCHC meetings & share information about RHY needs & services at least annually.

RESULT 2a: RHYSC and/or RHYA Service Provider were represented at 100% of DCHC meetings and 75% of ICP meetings in 2015. Information about RHY needs and services was shared with each group at least annually.

TARGET 2b. RHY staff will be represented on the Probation Department's Court Involved Youth Committee, the Committee on Human Trafficking, DMH's Children's Services Providers' Committee and other local committees as needed to help ensure the needs of RH youth and their families are addressed in a coordinated manner.

RESULT 2b: RHY staff maintained representation on the above committees throughout 2015.

While the RHYA services provided through Hudson River Housing's River Haven Program have continued to be effective in addressing the needs of the target population and meeting projected outcomes, reductions in funding have been a major challenge. The NYS RHYA funding appropriation was cut by 58% between 2008 and 2013 and County matching dollars were reduced proportionately during the same period. These and other funding reductions have impacted or are expected to impact services as follows:

River Haven Part I Shelter – Upon relocating to a newly constructed site in 2011, the shelter had planned to expand its 12 bed capacity to include accommodations for a teen parent and their children. Budget & staffing reductions, prevented this expansion. The Shelter has been increasingly relied upon to provide respite care & services for youth at risk of placement, primarily from the PINS/JD population. In late 2013, DCFS expanded River Haven's 4 bed Respite contract utilizing STJP funding to purchase a fifth bed to prevent and reduce placement of youth in detention facilities. The respite care and detention prevention contract has helped to preserve the Shelter's services and further the County's goal of reducing detention placements. The Shelter's other funding enables River Haven to continue serving RHY from the general population.

River Haven Outreach – As of 10/1/2013, specific funding for outreach services ceased. While existing RHY staff has assumed some of the most essential outreach activities, it will be more challenging to ensure that some of the most vulnerable segments of the RHY population are able to access safe housing and needed services.

River Haven Independent Living Support Services-The funding and capacity of the IL Program continued to decline despite increased recognition & growing numbers of disconnected youth. In 2009 the Program was staffed by 4 Case Managers and served 175 youth; 2013 ended with only one Case Manager on staff and 88 youth served for the year.

River Haven Transitional Living Community (TLC)- TLC reached the end of its 5 year HHS funding cycle as of October 2013. The RFP for next funding cycle was delayed. With HHS providing only a small amount of temporary gap funding and no certainty of future funding, TLC stopped accepting

new admissions toward the end of 2013, but none of the existing residents were displaced. In the event HHS funding is not awarded in 2014, the TLC Program will be modified to serve 18-25 year olds and will no longer fall under the NYS RHYA Statute and regulations.

Runaway and Homeless Youth Outcomes: Outcomes are based on the district's performance as identified through the data and trends in the Self-Assessment. Outcomes should be expressed as desired changes within a program area to address the underlying conditions or factors as noted in the district's Self-Assessment. The outcomes must be related to the use of OCFS funding, and/or required areas of services by the social services district and Youth Bureau. List the district's outcomes for this program area and identify quantifiable indicators (measures) of the desired changes that you will use to track progress.

OUTCOME 1: Dutchess County will provide runaway and homeless youth and their families with opportunities to meet their needs for physical, social, moral, and emotional growth (LA6COM, Goal 62)

OUTCOME 2: Dutchess County will ensure the coordination of all available county resources for RH youth and their families.

Indicator 1a. 100 youth including runaway, homeless, victims of alleged abuse, maltreatment or human trafficking, and/or PINS/JD youth in need of respite will receive short-term residential care and case management services through Hudson River Housing's OCFS certified RHYA emergency shelter known as River Haven.

Indicator 1b. At discharge from the shelter, 95% of the youth served will be re-united with their families or placed in an otherwise safe and appropriate residence.

Indicator 1c. At least 80% of the youth served by HRH's River Haven Shelter will be diverted from 'out of home' placement through the juvenile justice, mental health or child welfare systems.

Indicator 1d. HRH's River Haven Independent Living Support Program (ILSP) will provide at least 60 older homeless and at risk youth with case management services and other support so that 75% of those served will have stable and appropriate housing and will be employed and/or enrolled in educational/vocational training at the time of discharge.

Indicator 1e. HRH will provide young adult specific, supportive transitional housing for at least 8 homeless individuals between the ages of 18 and 25, 80% of whom will have secured stable housing and advanced their self-sufficiency by time of discharge.

Indicator 1f. RHY service providers will receive training on topics including human trafficking, LGBT issues, and youth development to increase awareness and sensitivity to the needs of the RHY target population and ensure program data accurately identifies and reflects the characteristics and experiences of the young people served.

Indicator 2a. The RHYSC and/or a designated RHYA Service Provider will attend at least 75% of the ICP & DCHC (COC) meetings, share information about RHY needs & services at least annually and participate in the planning process.

Indicator 2b. RHY staff will be represented on the Probation Department's Court Involved Youth Committee, the Committee on Human Trafficking, the Children's Services Providers' Committee and other local committees as needed to help ensure the needs of RH youth and their families are addressed in a coordinated manner

Runaway and Homeless Youth Strategies to Achieve Outcomes: Describe the strategies that will be

implemented to achieve the identified outcomes, including those strategies that support your Child and Family Services PIP outcomes. Each strategy should include the timeframe for completion and designation of what agency(ies) or department(s) is/are responsible for implementation. Explain how OCFS-administered funding supports achievement of outcomes. Districts may incorporate outcomes from their Child and Family Services Program Improvement Plan (PIP). If the county receives RHYA funding, outcomes and strategies must be included and should address the coordination of available resources for runaway and homeless youth.

Strategy 1a. Dutchess County will ensure that runaway, homeless and other at risk have access to safe emergency housing, respite care and services by funding, supporting and monitoring Hudson River Housing's (HRH's) River Haven Shelter, a 12-bed NYS certified RHYA Part 1 emergency shelter (Under contract with DCFS, 4 RH beds will be reserved for voluntary respite care and 1 RH bed will be used to prevent and reduce detention stays.

Strategy 1b. To ensure older homeless youth have the support and opportunities needed to become self-sufficient, Dutchess County will fund, support and monitor HRH's River Haven Independent Living Support Program a RHYA Part II Non-Residential Case Management Program.

Strategy 2a. To ensure the coordination of all available resources for runaway and homeless youth and their families, the RHY Services Coordinator and/or RHY Service Providers will represent the needs of RHY population in County planning processes including the ICP & the DC Housing Consortium's Continuum of Care (CoC) homeless service plan.

Strategy 2b. RHY Services Coordinator will ensure that RHY have full access to educational services as entitled under the law.

X - Adult Protective Services

Adult Protective Services Self-Assessment: Describe the success and challenges the district has experienced since the last plan update in the program area. Noting the data and trends as identified in Appendix C, and the cumulative district consultations (Appendix B-1 through B-6), describe the underlying conditions or factors that influence your performance in meeting the needs of children, youth, adults and families (as applicable).

2014 SELF ASSESSMENT REPORT

TARGET 1a. The Adult Protective Services Team will develop a training protocol and conduct five (5) sessions per year.

RESULT Director, Supervisors and Case Managers provided Adult Service overviews to six collateral service providers, utilizing power points and state generated brochures and publications.

TARGET 1b. The Team will present review a minimum of ten (10) difficult cases per year.

RESULT 10 challenging cases were presented to the Case Consultation Team.

TARGET 2a. Eight (8) service providers will be invited to speak to DCFS staff to facilitate collaborative service plans (2 per year).

RESULT Adult Services hosted two service providers, Elant Foster Family Home Program and Hudson River Housing Supportive Services for Veterans Families Programs to present at DCFS.

TARGET 2b. A Supervisor or Director will attend meetings of the Coalition on Elder Abuse, provide updates at staff meetings and develop a resource/contact list for case manager use in servicing abuse cases.

RESULT Director or Deputy Commissioner attended 10 monthly Coalition meetings, provided updates at staff meetings and distributed resource/contact list to case manager.

TARGET 2c. Director of Adult Services staff will attend all meetings of the Commissioner's Advisory Committee (CAC), provide PSA updates to CAC members and provide PSA staff with written updates from CAC meetings to maintain current collaborative resources for services plans.

RESULT Director attended all scheduled CAC meetings, provided updates at staff meetings.

TARGET 2d. The Director or the Supervisor will attend all Dutchess County Housing Consortium meetings and report back to staff any programs services pertinent to housing need of PSA population.

RESULT The Director and/or Supervisor attended 3 of the 4 quarterly scheduled Housing Consortium meetings, participated in the annual Homeless Point in Time survey, and in the Housing Quality Discussion Group meeting hosted by the Housing Consortium.

TARGET 2e. The Supervisor will attend Council of Agencies Serving the Elderly (C.A.S.E.) meetings and provide a report at monthly staff meetings. The Supervisor will share a list of C.A.S.E. resources with case

RESULT Supervisor attended 4 C.A.S.E. meetings at Office for Aging and shared new resource information at staff meetings.

TARGET 2f. The Adult Services Director will form an internal review team at DCFS to outline Agency needs and targeted goals and objectives. The team will also investigate other task force models in the state with positive outcomes. The team will conduct community outreach and facilitate the formation of the task force meetings and develop a resource/contact list for case manager use in servicing abuse cases.

RESULT The District Attorney and a team of community service providers that included the Adult Services Director and DCFS Deputy Commissioner developed an Elder Abuse Resource Pamphlet for distribution to seniors at local service destinations such as medical offices, senior centers, hospitals and community presentations.

2015 SELF ASSESSMENT REPORT

TARGET 1a.. The Team will develop a training protocol and conduct five (5) sessions per year.

RESULT: Director, Supervisors and Case Managers provided an overview of Adult Services to the East Fishkill EMT Providers. We also attended the following outreach events: 13 OFA Senior Picnics where we met with and distributed information to several hundred seniors, The First Annual Accessibility Awareness Fair sponsored by Taconic Resources for Independence and the Annual Golden Gathering, an information fair for seniors sponsored by State Senator Sue Serino. Director and Supervisors met with Vassar Brothers and Mid-Hudson Regional Hospital Social Work/Case Management Representatives to exchange information on services and improve communication in discharge planning.

TARGET 1b. The Team will review a minimum of ten (10) difficult cases per year.

RESULT: 10 cases were presented to the Case Consultation Team.

TARGET 2a. Eight (8) service providers will be invited to speak to staff to facilitate collaborative service plans (2 per year).

RESULT: Adult Services sponsored three Service Presentations at DCFS: PEOPLE Incorp, Dutchess County Sheriff Detectives for discussion on PSA and reporting to police, and the Dutchess County Mental Health Mobile Crisis Team.

TARGET 2b. A Supervisor or Director will attend all meetings of the Coalition on Elder Abuse, provide updates at staff meetings and develop a resource/contact list for case manager use in servicing abuse cases.

RESULT: Director attended 8 of the 9 scheduled Coalition on Elder Abuse member meetings. Director and/or Deputy Commissioner also participated in the Multi-Disciplinary Committee meetings and attended the Annual World Elder Abuse Awareness Day in June. The Commissioner, Deputy Commissioner and Director worked with The Mediation Center of Dutchess Director and Coalition on Elder Abuse Coordinator on the development of a power point presentation on Elder Abuse for use in outreach presentations and education.

TARGET 2c. Director of Adult Services staff will attend all meetings of the Commissioner's Advisory Committee (CAC), provide PSA updates to CAC members and provide PSA staff with written updates from CAC meetings to maintain current collaborative resources for service plans.

RESULT: The CAC did not meet in 2015.

TARGET 2d. The Director or the Supervisor will attend all Housing Consortium meetings and report back to staff any programs services pertinent to housing needs of PSA population.

RESULT: The Director and/or Supervisor attended 3 Housing Consortium Meetings and participated in the annual Homeless Point in Time Survey.

TARGET 2e. The Supervisor will attend all C.A.S.E. meetings and provide a report at monthly staff meetings. The Supervisor will share a list of C.A.S.E. resources with case managers.

RESULT Supervisor attended 3 C.A.S.E. meetings at Office for Aging and shared information at staff meetings.

TARGET 2f. The Adult Services Director will form an internal team at DCFS to outline Agency needs and targeted goals and objectives. The team will also investigate other task force models in the state with positive outcomes. The team will conduct community outreach and facilitate the formation of the task force meetings and develop a resource/contact list for case manager use in servicing abuse cases.

RESULT: Commissioner and Director attended Senator Sue Serino's round table discussion on Elder Abuse where local county partners in services and business shared information on programs, resources and gaps in services. There was collective dialogue on identifying state and federal responses and trends in addressing adult abuse. Director and Deputy Commissioner continue to reach out to local District Attorney Office to enhance current PSA reporting and investigation processes for suspected adult abuse or financial exploitation. The Director and Deputy Commissioner participated in the 2015 newly formed Coalition on Elder Abuse Multi Disciplinary Team Committee, which is researching MDT practice on state and federal level, and gathering input from Coalition members on how this practice may be applied on a local level. The Mediation Center of Dutchess, Coalition on Elder Abuse is a recipient of Dutchess County Partnership Grant for the purpose of providing education and outreach on Elder Abuse. The Adult Services Director provides contract oversight for this grant.

The goal of Adult Protective Services is to assist individuals to remain safely in their homes' communities. This must always be a consideration. Often victims of abuse or financial exploitation are unwilling to report the perpetrators to the police fearing loss of their homes or the incarceration of a family member. Mental illness, substance abuse, ability to perform the activities of daily living must always be considered.

In 2014 the district received 608 PSA referrals, completed 522 PSA assessments, managed 29 Guardianship cases, managed 105 Representative Payee cases, and completed 194 Housing Services intakes. In 2014, the district focused on documenting PSA inquiries and referrals as a means to accurately record referrals and reasons for PSA referral rejections. In 2014 86% of PSA referrals were assigned for assessment. In 2015 the district received 609 PSA referrals, completed 522 PSA assessments, managed 34 Guardian cases, managed 97 Representative Payee cases and completed 149 Housing Services Intakes. In 2015, the district focused on improving collaboration with local hospital discharge planning providers, adjusting to mandatory managed care service networks and improving collaborative efforts with the District Attorney and Sheriff Department for

the investigation of abuse cases. The total amount of PSA referrals and assessments remained the same from 2014 to 2015. There was a 15% increase in cases that involved Guardianship from 2014 to 2015. There was a 8% reduction in Representative cases. This is likely resulting from the development of an alternative service provider who provides financial management services to individuals receiving services from a local Health Home Case Management service provider or the ACT Program.

In 2015, Housing Services Intakes decreased 23% from 194 in 2014 to 149 in 2015. Since 2012, there has been an overall decrease of Housing Services Intakes of 47% from 279 in 2012 to 149 in 2015. Total emergency housing expenditures for 2014 were \$2,212,208 compared to \$1,540,523 for 2015, a 30% reduction.

Adult Protective Services Outcomes: Outcomes are based on the district's performance as identified through the data and trends in the Self-Assessment. Outcomes should be expressed as desired changes within a program area to address the underlying conditions or factors as noted in the district's Self-Assessment. The outcomes must be related to the use of OCFS funding, and/or required areas of services by the social services district and Youth Bureau. Districts may incorporate outcomes from their Child and Family Services Program Improvement Plan (PIP). List the district's outcomes for this program area and identify quantifiable indicators (measures) of the desired changes that you will use to track progress. Districts are required to address at least two of the following State-determined adult services goals:

- a. Impaired adults who self-neglect or are abused, neglected, or exploited by others will be identified, have their living situation thoroughly investigated, and be protected.
- b. To pursue appropriate legal interventions to address situations where impaired adults are at risk of harm, are unable to make informed decisions, and are refusing necessary services.
- c. To utilize multi-disciplinary community resources to improve assessments as well as develop service plans which reduce risk and protect adults.
- d. To provide protective services in the least restrictive manner, respecting the adult's rights to self-determination and decision-making

OUTCOME 1: Impaired adults who are abused, neglected or exploited by others will have their situation thoroughly investigated and be protected.

OUTCOME 2: DCFS will utilize multi-disciplinary community resources to improve assessments and to develop service plans which reduce risk and protect adults.

Indicator 1a. The Team will develop a training protocol and conduct five (5) sessions per year.

Indicator 1b. The Team will review a minimum of ten (10) difficult cases per year.

Indicator 2a. Eight (8) service providers will be invited to speak to staff to facilitate collaborative service plans (2 per year).

Indicator 2b. A Supervisor or Director will attend all meetings of the Coalition on Elder Abuse, provide updates at staff meetings and develop a resource/contact list for case manager use in servicing abuse cases.

Indicator 2c. Director of Adult Services staff will attend all meetings of the Commissioner's Advisory Committee (CAC), provide PSA updates to CAC members and provide PSA staff with written updates from CAC meetings to maintain current collaborative resources for service plans.

Indicator 2d. The Director or the Supervisor will attend all Housing Consortium meetings and report back to staff any programs services pertinent to housing needs of PSA population.

Indicator 2e. The Supervisor will attend all C.A.S.E. meetings and provide a report at monthly staff meetings. The Supervisor will share a list of C.A.S.E. resources with case managers.

Indicator 2f. The Adult Services Director will form an internal team at DCFS to outline Agency needs and targeted goals and objectives. The team will also investigate other task force models in the state with positive outcomes. The team will conduct community outreach and facilitate the formation of the task force meetings and develop a resource/contact list for case manager use in servicing abuse cases.

Adult Protective Services Strategies to Achieve Outcomes: Describe the strategies that will be implemented to achieve the identified outcomes, including those strategies that support your Child and Family Services PIP outcomes. Each strategy should include the timeframe for completion and designation of what agency(ies) or department(s) is/are responsible for implementation. Explain how OCFS-administered funding supports achievement of outcomes.

Strategy 1a. The DCFS funded Mediation Center will conduct public information sessions about adult abuse to enable the public to better recognize and report on it.

Strategy 1b. Adult Services will present difficult cases to an internal DCFS Case consultation Team.

Strategy 2a. Service providers will be invited to speak to DCFS staff

Strategy 2b. An Adult Services Supervisor will attend meetings of the Coalition on Elder Abuse to strengthen relationships with network providers.

Strategy 2c. The Supervisor of the DCFS Housing Unit and the Director of Adult Services will participate in Dutchess County Housing Consortium meetings and share information about housing opportunities with the DCFS Adult Services Unit.

Strategy 2d. An Adult Services Supervisor will attend Council of Agencies Serving the Elderly (C.A.S.E.) meetings to expand network of supportive service providers of the elderly and provide PSA information to same providers.

Strategy 2e. The Adult Services Director will work on the development of a local Task Force on financial exploitation of the vulnerable adult population to increase positive outcomes of investigation and/or prosecution of exploitation cases.

Plan Monitoring

Describe the methods and the processes that will be used by the district to verify and monitor the implementation of the Child and Family Services Plan and the achievement of outcomes.

The ICP Workgroup will monitor the status of the various strategies annually. The Youth Service's Child and Family Services Plan outcomes and strategies are reflected in the yearly Division's goals and shared with the Youth Board, Commissioner of DCFS and County Executive. The Youth Service's Child and Family Services Plan outcomes and strategies are reviewed annually and shared with the Youth Board and the Commissioner of DCFS. The summary of Funded OCFS Program Services Annual Outcomes is also shared. Brief updates are included in the Youth Services emails to contract agencies as needed. The annual status of the Youth Services are reported to the County Executive for his State of the County Address in January. The annual status of DCFS achievements is reported to the County Executive for his State of the County Address and achievements are disseminated to a wider audience with the Department's Annual report. DCFS Administrative Staff meeting minutes are sent to the CE, Legislature and DCFS Commissioner's Advisory Committee. Both DCFS and Youth Services goals and achievements are discussed during the course of the bi-monthly Health and Human Services Cabinet meetings. Opportunities to increase cross-system support and/or processes to improve outcomes for families and children will be studied are recommended to the County Executive. The Cabinet is involved in the long term project to incorporate outcome language into county direct contracted services. Probation shares bi-annually strategies achieved with the Juvenile Justice Committee.

Priority Program Areas: From the Self Assessment in the sections above, please identify the program areas that the district has determined to be priorities.

Overall our economic indicators have worsened since 2007 resulting in a significant increase in the number families under stress. Suicides continue to increase as identified by the Medical Examiner as well as the abuse of opiates. Exacerbating this is the loss of services in the community with Mid-Hudson Regional Hospital having closed its adolescent psychiatric beds and reducing its adult psychiatric beds, and Hudson River Psychiatric Center's closing in October 2011. Although the Adolescent Partial Hospitalization Program (PHP) offers an intensive treatment program designed to keep adolescents (ages 12 – 18), in the community and prevent inpatient hospitalization, children and youth requiring in-patient are placed in facilities outside the county causing disruptions for them and their families in treatment, support and long term planning options.

Domestic violence homicides increased during 2010 along with DV calls both to Emergency Response and provider hotlines. We must strive to prevent the loss of funding to existing services in this economic climate. Addressing transitioning youth successfully to adult services is still a need. The Youth Board and Coordinating Council have identified the following Life Areas (LA) and Services, Opportunities & Supports (SOS) as program priorities for the Division of Youth Services: LA Economic Security with SOS's career counseling, employment, GED prep, independent living skills, matching with employers for internships/work, resume and job search assistance, self-sufficiency skills development, vocational training, work readiness s; LA Physical & Emotional Health with SOS's athletic activities, case management/referrals, chronic disease prevention, counseling, nutrition food programs, recreational activities (both summer and year round), self-esteem workshops, suicide prevention/education; LA Education w SOS's academic services/educationally related services, dropout prevention, study skills; LA Citizenship/Civic Engagement with SOS's character education, community service/youth activism projects, cultural enrichment/awareness, JAB/Officer, leadership skills development, youth leadership/empowerment; LA Family with SOS's child abuse & neglect intervention and treatment, child abuse & neglect prevention/education programs to promote positive youth development, domestic violence prevention/education, family support, family violence prevention/education parenting skills, services for pregnant and parenting youth, stress management workshops; and LA Community with SOS's information dissemination, RHYA Part 1 emergency shelter, RHYA Part 2 TILPS supported residence, violence/crime/delinquency prevention activities, RHYA Part 2 non-residential case management. The main priority for Runaway and Homeless Youth is to maintain the current level and quality of services.

Financing Process

Check if No Change in this Section

Describe the financing for the district's services.

- Include general information about the types of funds used (e.g. federal, State, local, TANF, or innovative funding approaches). Include new uses of TANF or Flexible Funds for Family Services for program services. Include any innovative approaches to funding or new uses of funds to support the service delivery system.
- If purchase of service agreements are used, describe the criteria and procedures used by the district for selecting providers for all child welfare, adult protective, and non-residential domestic violence purchase of services (e.g. RFP process, news releases on availability of funds, sister agencies panel).

Describe how purchase service contracts will be monitored.

- Describe procedures that will be used to ensure that the services being purchased are effective in meeting the outcomes as outlined in the contract and your plan. Include the frequency of monitoring, tools that will be used, and who will be involved.





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Program Matrix

Each district will enter their Program Information into the Welfare Management System (WMS). Instructions for completing this process are located in the Plan Guidance Document. Answer the questions below related to the information you entered into the WMS system.

Are there changes to the services your county intends to provide during the County Planning Update cycle?

No Yes

If there are changes to the services, please indicate what those changes are.

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Persons In Need of Supervision (PINS) Diversion Services

This appendix refers to the PINS Diversion population only. Complete sections 1 through 4 for PINS Diversion population only.

Section 1: Designation of Lead Agency (check one):

Probation LDSS

Describe below the current inventory of available community services within each category below for the PINS Diversion population. For each service, include the geographic area (countywide or specific cities or towns). Please note that the first three service categories are required.

Service Category	Geographic Area	Service Gap – select one
a. Residential Respite – Required	Hudson River Housing Inc.: River Haven provides emergency housing and support services for runaway and homeless youth and young people who can otherwise benefit from short-term/respice housing due to family conflict/emergency, risk of court placement, or other issues. The River Haven Shelter is certified by NYS to house youth ages 10 through 17. Staff are available 24/7 to handle requests for housing, and provide related services including: referrals, information, counseling and crisis intervention for adolescents and their families. River Haven serves all of Dutchess County.	No
b. Crisis Intervention 24 hours/day – Required	Office of Probation: Mon., Wed., 9:00a.m. -6:00p.m., Thurs. and Tues. 8:00a.m.-6:30p.m., Friday 8:00a.m.-5:00 p.m. Other days/hours: Dutchess County Department	No

	of Mental Hygiene HELPLINE for mental health emergencies and River Haven Shelter for respite and housing emergencies. All are available to all of Dutchess County 24/7.	
c. Diversion Services/other alternatives to detention – Required	Dutchess County Office of Probation, Diversion Services, Alternatives to Detention including: Pre-trial Services, Electronic Monitoring, Curfew Monitoring, and JRISC are available on a pre-trial basis as an alternative to detention. These services are available county wide. Dutchess County	No
d. Alternative Dispute Resolution Services – Optional No longer available on site. Families can still be referred for this service off site and they will be charged a fee for service.	No longer available on site. Families can still be referred for this service off site and they will be charged a fee for service.	Yes
e. Other: Other: Functional Family Therapy (FFT)	Our two co-located Collaborative Solutions Team members, a psychologist from Astor Community Based Services and an M.S.W. from the Department of Mental Hygiene provide FFT in addition to consultation and referral on other high and medium risk cases. A probation officer is also a trained FFT therapist and provide FFT to PINS Diverson families on a part-	-

	time basis. At any given time, 18 PINS Diversion families receive FFT on site.	
f. Other: Functional Family Therapy (FFT)	Dutchess Co. Probation offers this service on site. There are two Astor Therapist and a Department of Community and Behavioral Health worker who are co-located at probation providing FFT therapy, as well as one probation officer who provide FFT.	No

Please provide a description of any changes that have been made to these procedures since the submission of your last comprehensive plan, including any collaborative team processes		
PINS Diversion Services Protocol	Responsible Agency(ies)	Brief Description of How Provided
a. Provides an immediate response to youth and families in crisis (includes 24 hours a day response capability)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probation <input type="checkbox"/> LDSS <input type="checkbox"/> Both <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (name) River Haven	Families can contact the Dutchess County Office of Probation and Community Corrections Monday, Wednesday and Fridays between the hours of 9:00a.m. and 5:00p.m. and Tuesdays and Thursdays between the hours of 8:30a.m. and 6:30 p.m. for an immediate response to families and youth in need of services. On days and times outside of those hours, families can contact the River Haven Shelter or, for psychiatric emergencies, the Dutchess County Department of Mental Hygiene Helpline. The River Haven Shelter can provide respite services and the Emergency Department located at St. Francis Hospital can provide emergency psychiatric services. The local police agencies can be contacted in situations whee violence is present.
b. Determines the need for residential respite services and need for alternatives to detention	<input type="checkbox"/> Probation <input type="checkbox"/> LDSS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Both <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (name)	<p>If a family is in crisis, the probation officer engages any combination of a member of the Collaborative Solutions Team, the Sr. Probation Officer and/or Unit Administrator of the Family Court Diversion Unit to meet with the family immediately at the office, home or school. They assess if the youth or family member requires an emergency psychiatric evaluation or respite housing either at the River Haven shelter or with an appropriate friend or family member.</p> <p>We currently use the DRAIS if any JD and the YASI Detention Tab for PINS cases forwarded to Family</p>

	Asst. Conty Attorneys	Court. We have an array of alternative to detention options which are considered for any youth who scores medium or high on either assessment.
c. Serves as intake agency – accepts referral for PINS diversion services, conducts initial conferencing, and makes PIN eligibility determinations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probation <input type="checkbox"/> LDSS <input type="checkbox"/> Both <input type="checkbox"/> Other (name)	<p>The Sr. Probation Officer or the intake/officer who will be conducting the initial interview schedules the initial interview schedules the initial conference. In cases of emergencies, the Sr. Probation Officer or Unit Administrator will make arrangements for the family to be seen immediately by the appropriate staff. This may include a member of the Collaborative Solutions Team when indicated</p> <p>All youth under the age of 18 who fit the legal criteria of a PINS will be considered for diversion services. The Sr. Probation Officer of the Dutchess County Office of Probation and Community Corrections Family Court Intake/Diversion Unit will review all complaints to determine if they meet eligibility requirements. If questionable, the Unit Administrator will review the complaint for a final determination.</p> <p>Every potential respondent shall qualify for adjustment services. Exceptions to this would include the respondent's refusal to cooperate with adjustment services or a run away. In these cases, every effort will be made to locate and engage the potential respondent so as to avoid a petition to court. Family Court is used as a last resort when diversion efforts are unsuccessful.</p>
d. Conducts assessment of needs, strengths, and risk for continuing with PIN behavior Name of assessment instrument used:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probation <input type="checkbox"/> LDSS <input type="checkbox"/> Both <input type="checkbox"/> Other (name)	<p>At Intake, a YASI pre-screen is completed. As research is clear that low-risk youth are better served in a non-juvenile justice setting, low risk youth TANF eligible may be referred to the Dutchess County Youth Services Unit for services. A full YASI assessment is completed on all medium and high risk youth who have agreed to diversion services. Upon signed consent from parent(s) and youth, a MAYS! screening is also conducted for the purpose of determining any mental health issues that would indicate the need for further evaluation on an emergency basis or for linkages to a mental health provide.r</p>
e. Works with youth and family to develop case plan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probation <input type="checkbox"/> LDSS	<p>For moderate and high risk youth the assigned probation officer will develop a case plan based on the needs and strengths identified by the YASI. The family will take an active part in the case planning process and will sign off on the plan. The case plan must be specific and measurable and correlate to the</p>

	<input type="checkbox"/> Both <input type="checkbox"/> Other (name)	assessment. YASI updates will be conducted at 90 day intervals and at closing to measure progress. Should risk levels increase or protective factors decrease, a plan to address these factors must be noted in the case plan.
f. Determines service providers and makes referrals	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probation <input type="checkbox"/> LDSS <input type="checkbox"/> Both <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (name) Collaborative Solutions Team	All medium and high risk cases that are accepted for PINS Diversion services are presented to the Intake Review Committee, which is comprised of the Collaborative Solutions Team, Probation supervisor/designee, Astor clinical supervisor and JRISC therapist, to match needs with services including, but not limited to, J-RISC, FFT, Astor Services for Families and Children, Lexington Center for Recovery and the Collaborative Solutions Team. The Intake Review Committee meets weekly to review all cases.
g. Makes case closing determination	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Probation <input type="checkbox"/> LDSS <input type="checkbox"/> Both <input type="checkbox"/> Other (name)	Cases where the goals of the case plan have been met shall be considered for successful case closure. In these instances, the probation officer submits the YASI reassessment with a summary of the youth's progress to the Sr. Probation Officer or Unit Administrator. In instances where the case has not been successfully diverted and the probation officer in consultation with the Sr. Probation Officer or Unit Administrator determines that diversion efforts have been exhausted and that there is no substantial likelihood that the youth and family would benefit from continued services, a petition may be submitted to Family Court. Unless there are emergency circumstances, generally there is a meeting with the supervisor, probation officer and family and/or consultation with Collaborative Solutions Team members prior to final determination for a petition to be filed.

Development of PINS Diversion Services Plan and MOU
A. Planning activities – Briefly describe all PINS Diversion Services Planning activities the county has engaged in related to this current plan.
The ICP Committee continues to meet as does the Court Involved Youth Committee and the Juvenile Justice Committee.
List stakeholder and service agency involvement in planning.

Dutchess County Department of Community & Family Services: Attends the ICP, Court Involved Youth and Juvenile Justice Committees

Dutchess County Office of Probation: Attends the ICP, Court Involved Youth and Juvenile Justice Committees.

Hudson River Housing, River Haven: Attends the ICP, Court Involved Youth and Juvenile Justice Committees.

Dutchess County Division of Youth Services: Attends ICP, Court Involved Youth Committee and Juvenile Justice Committee

Astor Community Based Services: Attend the Court Involved Youth Committee and Juvenile Justice Committee

Dutchess County Attorney's Office: Attends the Court Involved Youth and Juvenile Justice Committees

City of Poughkeepsie Police Department Attends the Juvenile Justice Committee
Community Representative Attends the Juvenile Justice Committee

Attorney: Kent Pritchard: Attends the Court Involved Youth Committee

Family Court Personnel: Attend the Court Involved Youth Committee

Non-Secure Detention Provider: Attends the Court Involved Youth Committee

Mental Health America: Attends the ICP meetings

B. Please define the PINS Diversion population in your county for 2014. Specifically, please provide the following as whole numbers (not %):

Number of PINS Diversion referrals filed by parents:

1. 171

Number of PINS Diversion referrals by schools:

2. 147

Number of PINS Diversion referrals other sources:

3. 6

Number of PINS Diversion cases closed as Successfully Diverted:

4. 158

Number of PINS Diversion cases closed as Unsuccessful and Referred to Petition:

5. 50

Diversion Population that have been developed as part of the planning process.

6.

We continue to use the YASI data to examine the numbers of high risk youth entering our system and to determine dynamic risk reduction and dynamic protective factor increase at the time of closing. We also continue to use this data to assess the efficacy of programs and to match youth with the greatest risk and needs to our more highly structured programs.

Please identify the intended outcomes to be achieved for the PINS Diversion population. For each outcome:

a. In the first column, identify quantifiable and verifiable outcomes of the desired change in conditions or behaviors for the PINS Diversion population.

b. In the second column, identify the specific raw number or percentage change indicator sought for that outcome.

c. In the third column, **describe the strategies** to be implemented to achieve the identified indicator and outcome. Each strategy should include the timeframe for completion, and a designation of who is responsible for implementation.

Identify Outcome (For PINS Diversion Population)	Specify Indicator (Enter as a whole number to indicate a numeric or % change)	Strategy/Plan to achieve (Who, what, and when)
<p>Item 1</p> <p>OUTCOME 1: Families, including nuclear, extended and adoptive families are strengthened and supported so they are able to raise, nurture, and ensure their children's connections to their heritage and in planning for their children's futures and Dutchess County will provide PINS Diversion youth and their families with opportunities to help them meet their needs for physical, social, moral and emotional growth such that 75 % of PINS complaints received do</p>	<p>Item 1</p> <p>80</p>	<p>Item 1</p> <p>1. The Dutchess County Office of Probation will operate a Diversion Unit that provides intake, assessment services and case planning services for families that target criminogenic areas of need and risk and utilize a strength-based approach to increase protective factors and reduce dynamic risk. 2. The Dutchess County Office of Probation will use the pre-screen YASI to identify low risk youth who can be diverted from PINS Intake 3. When a recommendation for out of home placement is being considered, the case will be reviewed by the Dispositional Review Team. 4. Dutchess County Office of Probation will continue to refer appropriate families to River Haven's Respite Program. 5. DC Probation in its leadership role on the Juvenile Justice Committee will oversee the accomplishments of the DSS/ Probation MOU and track the number of</p>

<p>not result in a petition to Family Court</p>		<p>PINS youth placed in DSS custody. 6. DC Probation will participate in the Juvenile Justice Committee and the Court Involved Youth Committee to look at processes, procedures.</p>
<p>Item 2</p> <p>OUTCOME 2: Dutchess County will assist youth in assuming personal responsibility for their behavior and refraining from violence so that 75% of youth served are diverted.</p>	<p>Item 2 75</p>	<p>Item 2</p> <p>1. For school-filed PINS complaints DC Probation will meet with the family, school official/s, probation officer to give an opportunity for the school and family to present issues of concern and to come to an agreement on strategies to address the issues. 2. DC Probation Officers who have been trained as facilitators of cognitive/behavioral curriculums will implement the Crossroads curriculum or other CBT curriculums, which are cognitive/behavioral curriculums with a focus on life skills. 3. Collaborative Solutions Team members and one Probation Officer will provide Functional Family Therapy at the Office of Probation on a part-time basis. 4. The Dutchess County Office of Probation will provide curfew monitoring services when funding is available. 5. The Dutchess County Office of Probation will provide electronic monitoring services.</p>
<p>Item 3</p>	<p>Item 3</p>	<p>Item 3</p>