



DC Child and Family Services Agency

Commitment to Outcomes
Scorecard:
First Quarter FY14
 (October-December 2013)

Quarterly score is the average of the three months in the quarter, unless otherwise noted.

Key to status (far right): ■ On track ■ Flat ■ Corrective action

Front Door

Children have the opportunity to grow up with their families and are removed from their families only when necessary to keep them safe.

Outcome: Families stay together safely.							
Indicator	FY13 Annual	FY14 Target	FY14/Q1	FY14/Q2	FY14/Q3	FY14/Q4	FY14 Annual
Decrease foster care population*	1,318	N/A	1,215				
Decrease new entries into foster care	313	300	72				
Decrease re-entries into foster care**	13.8%	9.9%	Report Annually				
Outcome: Children and youth experience a removal only when necessary for their safety.							
Indicator	FY13 Baseline	FY14 Target	FY14/Q1	FY14/Q2	FY14/Q3	FY14/Q4	FY14 Annual
Decrease repeat reports of maltreatment***	4.5%	5.4%	Report annually				
Increase percentage of investigations initiated within 48 hours	82%	95%	87%				

*Baseline is total population on the last day of the fiscal year, and quarterly score is total population on the last day of the quarter.
 **Target is the national standard, showing the percentage of children who re-enter care within 12 months of reunification.
 ***Target is the national standard, showing children who experience a repeat report within six months of a substantiated report. CFSA baseline is below the national standard (fewer children experienced a repeat report in the District than nationally). Annual performance report FY2012 – ACF Data Profile, May 7, 2013.

Temporary Safe Haven

Foster care is a temporary safe haven, with planning for permanence beginning the day a child enters care.

Outcome: Children and youth are placed with families whenever possible.							
Indicator	FY13 Annual	FY14 Target	FY14/Q1	FY14/Q2	FY14/Q3	FY14/Q4	FY14 Annual
Increase relative placements (kinship care)	24%	26%	23%				
Increase placements in family foster homes	82%	85%	82%				
Decrease placements in group homes	4%	4%	4%				
Increase children/youth with two or fewer placements in the past 12 months	77%	80%	95%				
Increase foster care placements within the District	43%	45%	44%				
Increase visits between parents and children/youth in foster care	70%	85%	66%				
Increase visits between siblings (twice monthly)	83%	85%	70%				
Outcome: Children and youth exit foster care quickly and safely.							
Indicator	FY13 Annual	FY14 Target	FY14/Q1	FY14/Q2	FY14/Q3	FY14/Q4	FY14 Annual
Decrease average number of months to reunification	18	12	20				
Decrease average number of months to guardianship	37	36	47				
Decrease average number of months to adoption	46	36	40				

Well Being

Every child is entitled to a nurturing environment that supports healthy growth and development, good physical and mental health, and academic achievement.

Outcome: Children and youth in foster care get quality services for good health.

Indicator	FY13 Annual	FY14 Target	FY14/Q1	FY14/Q2	FY14/Q3	FY14/Q4	FY14 Annual
Increase children/youth getting an initial and re-entry health screening before placement	90%	95%	99%				
Increase children/youth getting a medical evaluation within 30 days of entering care	70%	90%	82%				
Increase children/youth getting a dental evaluation within 30 days of entering care	42%	58%	66%				
Increase children/youth getting a mental health screening	47%	90%	64%				
Increase youth age 11 and older getting a pre-placement substance abuse screening	87%	95%	91%				

Outcome: Children and youth in foster care get the quality education and training they need to succeed as adults.

Indicator	FY13 Annual	FY14 Target	FY14/Q1	FY14/Q2	FY14/Q3	FY14/Q4	FY14 Annual
Increase children ages 0-5 getting a developmental screening upon entering care	77%	85%	80%				
Increase children in foster care who perform at grade level in the third grade	17%	41%	<i>Report annually</i>				
Increase youth in foster care who graduate from high school	71%	80%	<i>Report annually (Academic Calendar)</i>				
Increase youth in foster care who graduate from college	18%	30%	<i>Report annually (Academic Calendar)</i>				
Increase youth in foster care who complete vocational training and/or receive industry certification	27%	75%	25%				

Outcome: Youth in foster care delay parenting, and those who are teen parents have good parenting skills.

Indicator	FY13 Annual	FY14 Target	FY14/Q1	FY14/Q2	FY14/Q3	FY14/Q4	FY14 Annual
Decrease teen mothers in foster care	12%	9%	13%				
Decrease repeat births to teen parents in foster care	7%	5%	0%				

Exit to Permanence

Every child and youth exits foster care as quickly as possible for a safe, well-supported family environment or life-long connection. Older youth have the skills for successful adulthood.

Outcome: Children and youth leave the child welfare system for a safe, permanent home.

Indicator	FY13 Annual	FY14 Target	FY14/Q1	FY14/Q2	FY14/Q3	FY14/Q4	FY14 Annual
Increase exits to a permanent home	76%*	80%	82%				
Decrease youth who age out of foster care	23%	20%	17%				
Increase engagement of youth in after-care services	92%	95%	<i>Report annually</i>				
Increase youth with stable housing upon exit	79%	80%	80%				
Increase youth age 20 who are employed or in post-secondary education	61%	65%	59%				

