

STATEWIDE RFA TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CALLS

MEETING MINUTES

July 19, 2017

Time: 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm

Location: Conference Call

Call-In: 877-873-8017 Code: 5396369

County TA Questions	CDSS Response	Action Item
1) What is CDSS going to do with the satisfaction surveys?	The feedback collected from the surveys will provide data to help analyze the RFA process, including positive and negative outcomes, barriers of the process, common issues, and areas to improve, etc. At a later point in time, the information will be shared with counties. Each county is in charge of providing the applicant information to CDSS and the CCR performance unit will be in charge of sending the survey to the families.	N/A
2) We are not aware of the satisfaction survey.	A draft ACIN is in process and should be released in September.	N/A
3) Will there still be civil penalties? \$500 a day?	No. Civil penalties for an uncleared adult in the home does not apply to Resource Family Homes.	N/A
4) If we approve our own homes, are we required to let CCL know?	No.	N/A
5) Please provide clarification on the new changes in AB 404 and respite care. Would the respite care provider lose their license at the end of the year?	The respite care providers will continue to keep their foster care license; however, they will still need to convert to Resource Family by 12/31/19. The changes in AB 404 allow a respite placement to be eligible as a placement for conversion purposes.	N/A
6) Will counties be able to see the new RFA review tool before the annual reviews?	CDSS is actively working on the new tool, which should be completed before the end of 2017. The tool will be provided to counties prior to the 2018 annual reviews.	N/A

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7) Please provide clarification for the RFA 809 usage. What about the 9099?	The Written Directives and the RFA 809 contain conflicting instructions. The form is currently in the process of being revised to reflect the Written Directives. The RFA 809 is only required for visits with approved Resource Families as a case management tool for documenting each visit. Although it is not required for visits with applicants, a county may choose to use it for pre-approval visits if they prefer. The RFA-9099 is mandatory for a complaint investigation report.	N/A
8) An applicant's own attorney is requesting the applicant information to be provided. How do we handle this? We usually provide a summary when we are done.	Consult with your county counsel and if the county counsel cannot provide an answer, then a legal consult including the county liaison would be the next step.	N/A
9) When the judge is requesting a status update of the applicant, other counties have provided a brief summary to the judge. Could these other counties share with the rest of us so we can follow?	Audience Comment: San Bernardino has a timeline for SSW's to follow when providing information to the court. Please contact them for more information.	N/A
10) Another county with an approved relative in our county would like us to convert and do the psychosocial. We would like to help that county but at the moment, we are overwhelmed at implementing RFA. What do we do?	According to ACL 17-16, if a county has approved a relative/NREFM home on behalf of another county, the approving county is responsible for the conversion of that home to a RF. A county may establish a joint agreement with the placing county for conversion of the family.	N/A
11) How do we let CDSS know that the state licensed foster home has been approved? Is it by inputting into CWS/CMS? Or by completing a form?	Contact the CCL office that licensed the home. Counties would submit the RFA-00 (currently in revision) to the CCL office requesting transfer of the FFH file, once they approve a family.	N/A

Next Meeting: August 2, 2017, 1:30 – 2:30 pm