

	INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SERVICES CHILD WELFARE MANUAL	
	Chapter 3: Child Abuse Hotline	Effective Date: May 1, 2014
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POLICY [REVISED]

The Indiana Department of Child Services (DCS) Child Abuse Hotline (Hotline) will complete a [Service Request Intake Report \(SF 49548\)](#) in Management Gateway for Indiana's Kids (MaGIK) for situations that do not meet the statutory definition of Child Abuse and/or Neglect (CA/N).

Examples of Service Request Intake Reports include but are not limited to:

1. Courtesy interview requests;
2. Safe Haven intake reports; and
3. Requests received through the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children (ICPC).

Code References

N/A

PROCEDURE

When creating a Service Request the Hotline Intake Specialist (IS) will:

1. Gather and document as much information as possible about the child's condition and the family's issues;
2. Gather the family's contact information, if known;
3. **[REVISED]** Create a [Service Request Intake Report \(SF 49548\)](#) in MaGIK. The [Service Request Intake Report \(SF 49548\)](#) must be completed in MaGIK by the end of the worker's shift;
4. Route the [Service Request Intake Report \(SF 49548\)](#) to the Hotline Intake Supervisor for review and transfer to the DCS Local Office for follow up; and
5. Create an Information and Referral if appropriate.

The Hotline Intake Supervisor will review the information contained on the report and do one of the following:

1. Evaluate the information and approve the Service Request;
2. Override IS recommendation of "service request" and assign the report to the appropriate DCS local office for a CA/N assessment if the Hotline Intake Supervisor determines the circumstances meet the statutory definition of CA/N. Follow procedures in separate policy, [3.5 Supervisory Review of Child Abuse and/or Neglect \(CA/N\) Intake Reports](#); or
3. **[REVISED]** Send Information and Referrals (I&R) to the appropriate person.

PRACTICE GUIDANCE

Finding Community Resources (Service Providers)

Consider the following sources for information:

1. Printed and online local community resource directories; and
2. Indiana 2-1-1 (dial 2-1-1; not available in all counties) or local Information and Referral (I&R) hotlines.

[REVISED] Information and Referral (I&Rs)

I&Rs are reports that do not meet the statutory definition of CA/N but DCS is provided with information by the caller regarding an open case or assessment. Additional examples of I&R's include but are not limited to, providing the caller with information about Community Partners, Food Banks, and Mental Health Providers, etc.

FORMS AND TOOLS

[Service Request Intake Report \(SF 49548\)](#) – Available in MaGIK

RELATED INFORMATION

N/A

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