REMINDERS:

- Clearly label documents in the case management system (e.g., Plans and Tools, Signed Case Plan)
- Upload all court orders as an attachment
- Update involvement status and placements timely
- Complete and approve timely the Program of Informal Adjustment,
 Progress Report on Program of Informal Adjustment, and Case plans
- Complete the Risk and Safety Reassessment every 180 days
- Supervisors need to ensure an imminent risk choice is appropriately selected on the Program of Informal Adjustment, Progress Report on Program of Informal Adjustment, and Case Plan
- Reference DCS Policy 7.1 Child at Imminent Risk of Removal for additional information
- Children with a noncustodial or THV placement in the child welfare system are not considered candidates

Questions?

Contact your supervisor

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Candidacy: Imminent Risk of Removal



Did You Know?

- ✓ Candidacy for imminent risk of removal (based on federal guidance) is defined as:
 - Substantiated assessment of abuse or neglect;
 - o Open Informal Adjustment or In-Home CHINS; and
 - Child and/or family will receive or is currently receiving services to prevent the need for removal while the child is living in his or her home.
- ✓ Imminent risk as it relates to candidacy does <u>NOT</u> mean the immediate removal of a child from the home.



What Do I Need to Do?

There is a question on the Program of Informal Adjustment, Progress Report on the Program of Informal Adjustment, and Case Plan about imminent risk of removal that MUST be answered (see below).

Is the child at imminent risk of removal?

- The child is at imminent risk of removal from the home environment and absent effective preventative services, the Department will petition the court to place the child in foster care.
- The child is not at imminent risk of removal from the home environment.
- The child is no longer at imminent risk of removal from the home environment due to success of preventative services.
- ✓ The first box should be marked if the child is found to be a candidate for imminent risk of removal.



Why Is This Important?

- DCS may claim administrative costs from the Federal Government for children identified as candidates.
- Federal reimbursement of submitted claims provides funding to DCS.

Documentation to Upload in the Case Management System

✓	Signed Case Plan	✓	Preliminary Inquiry
✓	Signed Program of Informal Adjustment	✓	Order approving Informal Adjustment
✓	Signed Progress Report on Informal Adjustment		