



Hawaii Placement Decision Review (Children Age Birth to Three Years)

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Executive Summary

In September 2006, the Hawaii Department of Human Services (DHS) partnered with the Child Welfare League of America (CWLA) to develop and conduct research on the placement of young children (age birth to 3) in relative/kin and general license foster care. This report provides a summary of the study process, findings and recommendations related to the study.

In consultation with a DHS Advisory Committee, an on-line survey was developed to identify basic information about current Hawaii-specific practice related to placement of children removed from parental custody. The survey focused on children age birth to three, currently in placement longer than 45 days entering placement between October 2005 and September 2006. The survey included questions related to:

- Education and work experience of DHS child welfare supervisors and child welfare workers;
- Child age and race/ethnicity;
- Child and primary/biological caregiver risk issues related to the decision to place including information on whether the identified risk issue influenced the decision to place, service need, services offered, services available, caregiver engagement in services, likelihood of risk issue resolution at twelve months, and whether the same risk issue was present in a prior DHS case;
- Child placement data including type and reasons why the child was not placed with relative/kin;
- Family connections including data on sibling placement, kin involvement in decision-making and family connections while the child is in placement;
- Level of child's need being met in current placement, out-of-home caregiver resource need, availability and utilization of services;
- Court issues related to contested hearings and concurrent planning.

Findings from the survey include:

- Native Hawaiian or part-Hawaiian children are disproportionately represented in the population of children age birth to 3 years old currently in placement in Hawaii. It is unclear whether all available resources for Hawaiian or part-Hawaiian families are being utilized by DHS staff, or whether untapped resources are available in the community that could be developed to better serve DHS involved Native Hawaiian families and their children;
- DHS has an experienced child welfare supervisory staff, but less experienced child welfare line social worker staff. A well trained and experienced line staff is crucial to the effective provision of services to children and families served by DHS;

- The current DHS Risk Assessment Protocol includes best practice and evidence based factors important to the conduct of comprehensive assessment related to child protection and child welfare issues. DHS staff identified key risk factors associated with or influencing placement. However, the survey indicates low family engagement in services. The survey findings raise questions related to the effectiveness of services based on low engagement (by staff or service providers) and an assessed low likelihood that many families will not resolve key risk issues within required time frames for permanency decisions;
- The primary identified child risk issue is related to substance exposure. The majority of children are engaged in services to address this and other risk issues;
- The majority of children are placed with relative/kin, and the majority of siblings in placement are placed with at least one other sibling. There are however issues related to the identification and location of relatives and the availability of resources to place children in neighborhoods close to their families and with their siblings (see Tables 12 and 13);
- DHS is successful in arranging weekly in-person contact between primary/biological caregiver(s) and their children for the majority of infants and toddlers in placement. Practice issues related to location of relatives and engagement of primary/biological caregivers are identified as being related to family connections;
- An overwhelming majority of caregivers (relative/kin and general license foster care) are identified as meeting the child's basic needs related to food, clothing, shelter and warmth;
- Concurrent planning was found to occur in the majority of cases and few cases are contested by the biological/primary caregiver in court.

Recommendations:

The following recommendations were developed based on the findings, deliberations by the Advisory Committee and a meeting with DHS staff held on March 9, 2007. The recommendations are summarized below with further specification of the recommendations included in the report.

1. DHS should address disproportionate placement of Native Hawaiian and part-Hawaiian infants and toddlers.
2. DHS should examine factors that are related to high staff turnover at the line social worker level and develop strategies to improve retention of trained and experienced staff.
3. DHS should re-assess social worker practice related to assessment, case planning and client engagement of families whose children have been removed from parental custody and placed in alternate care.

4. DHS should celebrate successes related to placement of infants and toddlers with relative/kin and family involvement in case decision making and further address factors related to sibling placement.

5. DHS should celebrate successes related to visitation of infants and toddlers with their primary/biological caregivers and seek to increase visitation for those children who are not in regular contact with their primary/biological caregivers whenever possible.

6. DHS should conduct a system review to promote cross-section and cross-Island consistency in assessment and service planning to promote replication of successful practices in different parts of the State and to standardize child specific practices.

7. The DHS Placement Review Advisory Committee should review the recommended areas for further study and recommend to the DHS Director approaches to address these areas.

8. DHS should incorporate the findings from this review with other action plans currently being developed in DHS and monitor implementation to ensure identified issues are addressed in policy and practice.

Hawaii Placement Decision Review (Children Age Birth to Three Years)

I. Introduction

In April and May 2006, the Child Welfare League of America (CWLA) conducted a series of trainings in Hawaii on evidence-based knowledge related to the placement of children with kin/relatives. During the training, Department of Human Services staff (DHS) raised a number of concerns regarding practice issues considered unique to public child welfare practice in Hawaii. As a result of those concerns, CWLA recommended to the Director of Hawaii DHS that Hawaii-specific research be conducted on decision-making related to placement of children in child-specific relative/kin foster care and general licensed foster care. The purpose of the research would be to examine Hawaii-specific practices, taking into account the unique aspects of practice related to placement of children in kin and non-kin foster care in Hawaii.

In September, 2006, DHS partnered with CWLA to develop a Hawaii-specific training on the conduct of research on the placement of young children (age 0-3) in kin and non-kin care. This report provides a summary of that process, findings and recommendations developed from the study.

The first step in the development of the process was to establish a training/study advisory committee. Representatives from each level of the organization (line, supervisory and managers) as well as Island-specific representatives were invited to join the Advisory Committee. In addition to DHS staff, a representative from the Court, EPIC Ohana, and DHS Staff Development were also invited to join the Advisory Committee. Dr. Diana English (CWLA), and Dr. Patricia Newlin (DHS) are the Co-Principal Investigators/Trainers of the Placement Decision Review. (See Appendix A for a list of Advisory Committee members)

During a series of meetings from September-December 2006, the Advisory Committee met with Dr. English and Dr. Newlin to develop the design and training for the conduct of the study. The committee discussed primary research questions of interest, methodological approaches to the study, specific questions to be included in the study and training needed for the conduct of the study. The Advisory Committee also discussed the importance of obtaining input from the field regarding the policy and practice implications once data had been collected.

II. Methodology

After a review of different methodologies the Advisory Committee decided on an approach to the initial conduct of the study of Hawaii-specific decision-making related to placement of children with relative/kin or general licensed foster care. This approach consisted of the development and conduct of an on-line staff survey including questions related to demographics, decision-processes and

outcomes for children removed from parental custody and placed in alternative care.

The first phase of the study focuses on children age 0-3, currently in placement longer than 45 days, who entered placement between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006. A list of eligible children was extracted from the Hawaii Management Information System. Surveys were completed on 100% of the children who met the eligibility criteria for the study. After collection of the survey data, the plan called for the presentation of the data to a group of DHS child welfare administrators, management, supervisory and line staff. The purpose of this presentation was to elicit staff feedback regarding the survey findings, promote a discussion of the implications of the findings for practice, and to elicit recommendations to address issues raised by the survey findings.

The primary research question addressed in the survey is: What is the current DHS practice related to placement of young children in either general license foster care or with relative/kin? The purpose of this survey is to identify basic information about current Hawaii practice related to the placement of children in general license foster care or relative/kin. This information identifies successes and potential practice areas in need of improvement and also identifies other areas of practice that might need further study.

Together with their supervisor, child welfare workers completed an on-line survey. The surveys took approximately 30 minutes to complete, and included questions related to:

- Education and work experience of DHS child welfare supervisors and child welfare workers;
- Child age and race/ethnicity;
- Child and primary/biological caregiver risk issues related to the decision to place; including information on whether the identified risk issue influenced the decision to place, service need, services offered, services available, caregiver engagement in services, likelihood of risk issue resolution at twelve months, and whether the same risk issue was present in a prior case.
- Child placement data including type and reasons why the child was not placed with relative/kin;
- Family connectivity including data on sibling placement, kin involvement in decision-making and family connections while the child is in placement;
- Level of child's needs being met in current placement, out-of-home caregiver resource need, availability and utilization of services;
- Court issues related to contested hearings and concurrent planning.

III. Findings, Summary Conclusions and Recommendations

A. Survey Findings

A complete set of tables of the survey findings are provided in Appendix B. Each table provides data on specific areas of interest by DHS section, as well as State-wide totals. In this report, highlights from the data will be presented utilizing the State-wide totals. Discussion of Section-specific differences will be part of an ongoing dialogue within DHS, as DHS continues to examine the data for policy and practice implications. Some differences in responses for children placed with relative/kin and general license foster care have been noted.

A.1 Child Demographics: (Table 1-2)

The majority of the children in the birth to three years of age group were one year old or younger (45%), and the majority were Hawaiian or part-Hawaiian (59%). Caucasian (12%) children were the second largest group of birth to three year-old placed children. Hawaiian or part-Hawaiian children are disproportionately represented in the DHS population of birth to three year-old children in placement.

A.2 Staff Demographics (Table 3-6)

Nearly two out of three of the DHS child welfare supervisors have at least a Master of Social Work degree (64%), and nearly as many have over 16 years experience in public child welfare and Hawaii DHS (61%). Fewer, but nearly one-half of the child welfare workers have a Master of Social Work degree (41%). However, about one-half of the child welfare line workers have five years or less experience with public child welfare and/or Hawaii DHS child welfare services (49%).

A.3 Primary/Biological Caregiver Risk Issues (Table 7, & 7a-b)

The data in this section provides information on primary/biological caregiver risk issues that influenced the child welfare workers' decision to place the child, as well as information related to service needs, the offering and availability of services, whether or not the child's primary/biological caregiver engaged in services, and whether or not, in the child welfare worker's opinion, the primary/biological caregiver was likely to resolve the risk issue within twelve months. Finally, data in Table 7 also addresses the question of whether the same risk issue was present in a previous DHS investigation for the same family. Separate Tables (7a & 7b) provide the same information on caregiver risk issues associated with children placed with relative/kin and children placed in general license foster care.

The Tables are organized into domains of risk as follows:

- Caregiver-specific Risk
- History of Caregiver and Child Victimization
- Parenting Skills and Knowledge
- Socio-economic Status

First, the majority of risk issues influencing placement are found in the caregiver-specific risk domain. Key risk issues (those with the highest percentage that influenced placement) are:

- Substance Abuse (Caregiver) 84%
- Lack of Parenting Skills (Parenting) 84%
- Mental Health/Emotional Functioning (Caregiver) 59%
- Caregiver Lack of Motivation to Change (Caregiver) 58%
- Caregiver Lack of Recognition of Problem (Caregiver) 58%
- Domestic Violence (Caregiver) 48%

There are differences in caregiver risk issues (in the home from which removed) influencing placement for children in general license foster care compared to those children placed with relative/kin.

Top Six Key Risk Issues (In Home From Which Removed) Influencing Placement by Type of Placement

| Risk Issue | General Lic. Foster Care | Relative/Kin |
|--|--------------------------|--------------|
| Substance Abuse | 71% | 88% |
| Lack of Parenting Skills | 38% | 79% |
| Mental Health/Emotional Functioning | 58% | 58% |
| Caregiver Lack of Motivation to Change | 49% | 59% |
| Caregiver Lack of Recognition of Problem | 63% | 51% |
| Domestic Violence | 40% | 50% |

As noted in the table above, there are differences in risk issues influencing placement of children in relative/kin vs. general license foster care especially risk related to substance abuse and parenting skills. Reasons for these differences are not known at this time and differences in risk issues based on type of placement is an area that requires for further discussion and/or study.

Overall, if a risk issue influenced the decision to place, the need for services, and the offer of services to address the risk issue occurred in 92-100% of the cases in this study. Furthermore, child welfare workers identified a service available for 96-100% of the risk issues identified as needing service. In general, there are no differences in need, offered and available services for primary/biological caregivers of the children placed in general license foster care or relative/kin care.

However, as noted in Table 7, although services were identified as needed, offered and available, assessed caregivers' actual engagement in services to address identified risk issues is much lower (55-71%). Only about one-half of the primary/biological caregivers engaged in services related to the key risk issues identified above. Furthermore, of those primary/biological caregivers who did engage in services, between one-quarter and one-half (27-51%) are assessed as likely to resolve the risk issues within 12 months (the time period within which DHS staff must recommend permanency plans for the child.)

Likelihood of Resolution of Key Risk Issues by Placement Type

| Risk Issue | General License Foster Care | Relative/Kin |
|--|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Substance Abuse | 57% | 43% |
| Lack of Parenting Skills | 53% | 44% |
| Mental Health/Emotional Functioning | 33% | 38% |
| Caregiver Lack of Motivation to Change | 33% | 28% |
| Caregiver Lack of Recognition of Problem | 38% | 34% |
| Domestic Violence | 56% | 35% |

The table above provides data on DHS child welfare worker assessment of likely resolution of key risk issues by placement type. There appear to be important differences in the assessment of likely resolution of key risk issues by placement type. In general, child welfare workers report the likely resolution of risk issues as less likely for children placed with relative/kin compared to children placed in general license foster care.

Of further note, the data revealed that between 42-68% of the risk issues that influenced placement of the child were present in prior DHS investigations/cases for the same family and/or child. This data suggests that although risk was identified, prior services (whether provided by DHS staff or community-based providers) did not address significant risk factors that influenced the current placement of the child.

In summary, although services are identified as needed for specific risk factors that influence placement, and services are offered and are identified as available, significant numbers of caregivers are not engaging in the offered services. Furthermore, even if the primary/biological caregiver engages in services, they are not assessed by the child welfare worker as likely to resolve the risk issue within relevant time frames. It is unknown whether lack of engagement in services is related to the caregiver, the approach by the child welfare worker or the appropriateness of the service offered by community-based providers. It is likely that in some cases engagement, or lack thereof, is related to all three. This issue requires further study and/or discussion.

While all the risk issues identified in Table 7 are relevant to decision-making in child welfare, only one other risk issue will be discussed in this section of the report. Lack of attachment/bonding is an important characteristics of parent-child relationships at any age, but particularly relevant for very young children. First, it should be noted that lack of attachment/bonding is not identified as an issue in the majority of the cases of young children removed from parental custody and placed with alternative caregivers (75%). Lack of attachment/bonding is identified as a risk issue that influenced placement in about 25% of the cohort, with no differences based on whether the child was placed in general license foster care or relative/kin placement. There are differences in engagement in services related to attachment/bonding by placement type. For general license foster care 28% of the primary/biological caregivers with this risk issue engaged in services, and 34% of the primary/biological caregivers of children placed with relative/kin engaged in services related to attachment/bonding. There are also significant differences in child welfare worker assessment of likely resolution of the risk issue; 38% for general license foster care and 19% for relative/kin. Although more primary/biological caregivers of children in relative/kin placement are assessed as engaged in services related to attachment/bonding, fewer are assessed as likely to resolve the risk issue. In contrast, fewer primary/biological caregivers of children placed in general license foster care are engaged in services related to attachment/bonding, but a higher percent are assessed as likely to resolve the risk issue within twelve months. Understanding differences in practice and services related to this critical risk issue for young children is important. Why are so few families assessed as unlikely to resolve attachment/bonding issues if nearly 100% of the families are offered services; and why do so few caregivers engage in the offered services?

Whatever the explanation for the differences, overall between one-quarter and one-third of primary/biological caregivers assessed as having a risk associated with attachment/bonding are engaged in services, and one-third or fewer of those engaged in services are assessed as likely to resolve the risk within twelve months. This issue needs further study to better understand both the low engagement in offered services, and the assessed low likelihood of risk resolution. Regardless of the above noted issues, it should also be noted that child welfare workers did not identify attachment/bonding as a risk issue influencing placement for the majority of young children in placement in Hawaii.

A.4 Child Risk Issues (Table 8)

The most frequently identified risk issue for children in this study is substance exposure (48%). Services are identified as needed, offered, and available for identified risk issues in 86-100% of the cases. The majority of children are reported as engaged in services if a risk issue was identified. However, the percentage of issues reported as likely to be resolved at 12 months for substance exposed infants was 54%, developmental delays 68%, and medical fragility 77%.

A.5 Placement (Table 9-14)

Tables 9-14 provide data on placement type, reasons why a child was not placed with relative/kin, sibling placement and kin involvement in decision-making.

The majority of young children are placed with either child-specific relative (55%) or child-specific non-relative care (10%). Only about one-third (30%) of these young children are placed in general licensed foster care. A little over one hundred (109) children are not placed with relative/kin. The primary reason children are not placed with relative/kin is that the relative was assessed as unable or unwilling to care for the child (54%). Other reasons why children are not placed with relative/kin include relatives "off island" (33%), relative/kin are assessed as not promoting child well-being (32%), or the child welfare worker is unable to identify/no relative (23%). For one in five of the children not placed with relative/kin (22%), the child welfare worker reported the reason was that the child is attached to the general license foster parent. In 36 cases the relative/kin is assessed as not promoting child well-being. For these 36 cases, the child welfare worker reported that in 54% or 19 of the cases, they believe the kin/relative is unable to protect the child or there are unsafe living conditions. This is an area that needs further study.

Overall, 60% of the children in the study have siblings in placement. About one-half of the children are in placement with all of their siblings and an additional 20% of the children are in placement with at least one, but not all their siblings. The primary reason why a child is not placed with a sibling (42%) is that there is no home available to accommodate the sibling group (in either relative/kin or general license foster care).

Nine in ten or 90% of relative/kin are involved in the first 60 days in the case decision process if a child is removed from their primary/biological caregiver. Primary relative/kin involvement is through Epic/Ohana conference (61%) or child welfare services moderated family meeting (57%). If not involved in the first 60 days of placement (N=21 families), social workers report the primary reason the family is not involved is because the child welfare worker is unable to locate relative/kin.

A.6 Family Connections: (Tables 15-18):

This section provides information on the type of placement, frequency and location of family connection with the child. Overall, 75% of the children are in weekly contact with their primary/biological caregiver, however, the rate is slightly lower for children in general license foster care (70%) compared to children placed with relative/kin (77%). Child welfare workers report that the primary reason these young children (N=77) do not have weekly connections with their primary/biological caregiver is inability to locate (52%) or visits are arranged but the primary/biological caregiver does not show up, or is inconsistent in showing

up for arranged visits (33%). Almost all (98%) of the children have in-person contact with their biological mother, and a little over one-half (58%) have in-person contact with their biological father. Most mother and father contact is several times per week (42%). About one-third (34%) of the children have visits in their biological/caregiver home.

A.7 Caregiver Sensitivity (Table 19)

Child welfare workers were asked to provide information on how well the child’s current caregiver meets the child’s physical, medical and emotional needs. The child welfare workers report that the child’s alternative caregivers are meeting the child’s basic needs 89-95% of the time. A significant finding is that when examining responses for general license foster care compared to relative/kin caregivers, the only area of difference noted is that general license foster care providers are less likely to support primary/biological caregiver and sibling visits (85%) compared to relative/kin willingness to support these visits (92%).

A.8 Alternative Caregiver Support Services Needed, Available and Utilized (Table 20)

Child welfare workers identified varying need and utilization rates related to support services for alternative caregivers. If services are identified as needed, offered and available, the primary reason the service is not utilized was because the alternative care provider had their own resource.

Support Services Needed and Utilized

| Support Service | Needed | Utilized |
|--------------------------------|--------|----------|
| Respite | 26% | 86% |
| Financial | 83% | 98% |
| Clothing | 88% | 97% |
| Medical/Dental | 92% | 97% |
| Transportation | 45% | 85% |
| Foster Parent Support Services | 24% | 77% |
| Home-Based Services | 19% | 83% |
| Parent Skills Training | 19% | 88% |
| Day Care/Child Care | 23% | 62% |
| Difficulty of Care | 23% | 62% |
| Counseling | 15% | 82% |

A.9 Court Services (Table 21)

Child welfare workers report that the child placement is contested in Court in 8% of the cases. Mothers are the primary person contesting placement (84%), followed by fathers (56%). The primary method of addressing concurrent planning in Court is the written Safe Home Report (80%), followed by the

Guardian Ad Litem (39%) or by Judicial inquiry (17%). Permanency planning is not addressed in Court in 15% of the cases.

B. DHS Staff Review of Data

On March 9, 2007 a meeting with 75 DHS staff representing all DHS Sections (cross-Island), including line child welfare workers, supervisors, administrators and DHS program staff was held in Honolulu to discuss the survey findings. DHS staff was asked to review the data, discuss the implications of the data and to make practice recommendations based on the data. Appendix C provides a summary of the issues identified by DHS as a result of the review of the data. Issues identified by staff included the appropriateness of assessment, engagement of families in services, lack of services and questions regarding whether the current service array is appropriate and/or accessible to clients, issues related to sibling connections, whether services are culturally appropriate, issues related to visitation between placed children and their families, and areas needing further research. These issues and recommendations from the meeting are integrated into the recommendations provided in the next section.

C. Summary and Recommendations

The following section provides a summary and recommendations related to the findings of the Hawaii Placement Decision Review. The recommendations were developed by the DHS Advisory Committee and include recommendations from the DHS meeting on March 9, 2007. The summary and recommendations are presented in the same order as the findings in Section A above.

C.1 Child Demographics

Native Hawaiian or part-Hawaiian children are disproportionately represented in the population of children age birth to 3 years old currently in placement in Hawaii. It is unclear whether all available resources for Native Hawaiian or part-Hawaiian families are being utilized by DHS staff, or whether untapped resources are available in the community that could be developed to better serve DHS involved Native Hawaiian families and their children.

Recommendation 1: DHS should address disproportionate placement of Native Hawaiian and part-Hawaiian children.

- 1a.** Call a summit of Native Hawaiian organizations to assess, coordinate existing services, and create services for DHS served Hawaiian families;
- 1b.** Improve the array of services for Hawaiian and part-Hawaiian families served by DHS. This improvement in the service array could be accomplished by the creation of a DHS Agency position dedicated to working with Native Hawaiian agencies to promote the creation and utilization of services that meet the needs

of Hawaiian and part-Hawaiian families served by DHS and/or the creation of a Native Hawaiian Organization Agency Coordinating Team.

1c. Create, increase utilization, and maximize culturally appropriate places for families in the community such as “Neighborhood Places.”

1d. Coordinate existing resources.

C.2 Staff Demographics

DHS has an experienced child welfare supervisory staff, but less experienced child welfare line social worker staff. A well trained and experienced line staff is crucial to the effective provision of services to children and families served by DHS.

Recommendation 2: DHS should examine factors that are related to high staff turnover at the line social worker level and develop strategies to improve staff retention.

C.3 Primary/Biological Caregiver Risk Issues

Comprehensive assessment, provision of services to address identified risks and timely resolution of risk issues are important factors in decision-making regarding permanency for children. The current DHS Risk Assessment Protocol includes best practice and evidence-based factors important to the conduct of comprehensive assessment related to child protection and child welfare issues.

Data from this section of the survey provide important information regarding the risk issues related to the removal of children from their primary/biological caregiver, services offered to families with identified risk issues related to the removal of the child, family engagement in services and risk resolution. Key risk issues influencing the placement of infants and toddlers in Hawaii are found primarily in the caregiver risk domain. These risk issues are substance abuse, lack of parenting skills, mental/emotional functioning of the caregiver, caregiver lack of motivation to change and/or lack of recognition of the problem, and presence of domestic violence. DHS staff identified key risk factors, although there is less success in engaging families in services and/or assessed likelihood of resolution of key risk issues within required time frames for permanency decisions.

Furthermore, the data indicate there are differences in risk issues related to placement of children in general licensed foster care and relative/kin. Reasons for these differences are unknown at this time, but have important implications for services and supports for children, families and alternate caregivers. In addition, although key services are identified as offered and available, primary biological caregiver engagement in services and assessment of likelihood of risk resolution is significantly lower. It is unknown whether lack of engagement of the primary/biological caregiver in services is related to the caregiver, the approach

by the child welfare worker or the appropriateness of the service offered by community-based providers.

These differences are especially noted for risk related to attachment/bonding, a key issue for infants and toddlers removed from their primary/biological caregivers and placed in alternate care (1 in 4 of the children in this study). Overall, between one-quarter and one-third of primary/biological caregivers are assessed as having a risk associated with attachment/bonding, with about one-third of those engaging in services and significant differences in assessment of likelihood of resolution of this issue in twelve months.

Additional information is needed to better understand why risk issues identified in previous referrals are not resolved, why families are not engaging in services that are offered and available, and why even when families do engage in offered and available services many are assessed as unlikely to resolve the risk issue within the required time frames.

Recommendation 3: DHS should re-assess casework practice related to assessment, case planning and client engagement of families whose children have been removed from parental custody and placed in alternate care.

3a. DHS should re-examine service planning with regard to the appropriateness (service match to identified need) and accessibility of services for key risk factors that influence placement of children in alternate care.

3b. DHS should develop clear staff expectations and training regarding engagement of families in services and develop benchmarks to measure outcomes by section related to family engagement and outcomes related to services.

3c. DHS should examine community provider rates of engagement of families in offered services and develop clear expectations regarding engagement and client outcomes as part of the contracting process.

3d. DHS should re-examine service contracts to ensure services are culturally competent, services match the assessed client need and include evidenced-based promising practices.

3e. DHS should examine the implications of the differences in service needs for relative/kin placements given the significant differences in caregiver risk issues identified.

3f. DHS should re-examine child service needs and supports for relative/kin caregiver given the significant differences in risk issues, especially lack of parenting skills of primary caregiver, identified for children placed with relative/kin.

3g. DHS should develop and implement culturally competent guidelines for standardized assessment of attachment/bonding.

C.4 Child Risk Issues.

The most frequently identified risk issue for infants and toddlers is substance exposure. Children are offered services and the majority of children are engaged in services. Most children are assessed as unlikely to resolve issues related to substance exposure within a one year period. This finding is likely due to the nature of complications related to substance exposure. No recommendations regarding child risk issues are made at this time.

C.5 Placement

The majority of infants and toddlers are placed with relatives or in child-specific non-relative care. If not placed with relative/kin, the primary reasons are that the relative/kin was assessed as unable or unwilling to care for the child, the relative/kin is off-island, the relative/kin are assessed as not promoting child well-being, the child welfare worker is unable to identify relative/kin, or the child is attached to the general license foster parent.

The majority of children who have siblings in placement are placed with at least one of their siblings. The primary reason a child is not placed with a sibling is that there is no home available to accommodate sibling groups (either in relative/kin or general license foster care).

The majority of relative/kin are involved in decision-making within the first 60 days of child placement, with primary involvement Epic/Ohana or child welfare services moderated family meetings. The primary reasons family are not involved is that the child welfare worker is unable to locate.

Recommendation 4: DHS should celebrate successes related to placement of infants and toddlers with relative/kin and family involvement in case decision making, and further address factors related to sibling placement.

4a. DHS should enhance up-front family-finding services, e.g., identify dedicated staff assigned specifically to family-finding.

4b. DHS should identify obstacles to relative/kin placement and develop resources to reduce obstacles e.g., housing, transportation.

4c. DHS should further examine issues related to staff assessment that relative/kin are unwilling or unable to care for the child to determine if resource/services would increase the number of relative/kin who could care for placed children.

4d. DHS should review licensing regulations related to placement of sibling groups and develop procedures for modifying space requirements to accommodate sibling group and kinship placement e.g., expanded license waivers.

C.6 Family Connections

The findings in this section indicate that DHS is successful in arranging weekly in-person contact between primary/biological caregiver(s) and their children for the majority of infants and toddlers in placement. The primary reasons weekly visits did not occur is that the social worker is unable to locate the primary/biological caregiver, or the primary/biological caregiver does not show up or is inconsistent in visitation. Recommendations regarding sibling connections are found in the next section. It is unclear whether location of primary/biological parents is related to the amount of time child welfare workers have to facilitate family visitation or whether there are other explanations that would help to clarify this issue.

Recommendation 5: DHS should celebrate successes related to visitation of infants and toddlers with their primary/biological caregivers and seek to increase visitation for those children who are not in regular contact with their primary/biological caregivers whenever possible.

5a. Develop and/or improve current practice related to child visitation with parents in homeless shelters, jails and prisons.

5b. Recruit foster homes in communities where children are more likely to be removed from parental custody and continue to enhance existing resources.

5c. DHS should review recruitment procedures and expectations regarding meetings between general license foster homes and biological/primary parents to facilitate visitation of parent(s) with their children to increase the likelihood of reunification.

5d. DHS should examine ways to improve family connections for the child by:

- Arranging for the child to attend family events;
- Re-examining current practice related to who can supervise visits (e.g., parents and family members);
- Promoting opportunities for sibling visits on weekends;
- Re-examining how aides are used to increase visitation (See Kauai Model);
- Developing culturally familiar neighborhood resources to facilitate family visits.

C.7 Caregiver Sensitivity

Child welfare workers were asked to provide information on the level of sensitivity of the child's current caregiver in meeting the child's basic needs for food, clothing, shelter and warmth. Overall, child welfare workers report that children's needs are being met in both relative/kin and general license foster care. The one area of difference is in the support for primary/biological and sibling visits; general license foster caregivers are reported as less likely to support these visits compared to relative/kin (85% to 92% respectively). See recommendation 5c above.

C.8 Court Services

The data from this survey suggest contested placement hearings for infants and toddlers is low and that concurrent planning occurs in the majority of cases. There are no recommendations from this section of the review.

C.9 Overarching Recommendation

During the DHS staff meeting conducted to review the findings from the Survey, several overarching issues and recommendations were identified. In examining the cross-island and cross-section data staff identified inconsistencies in assessment case planning and services. Some differences are to be expected based on Island differences and differences in resources, however, staff indicated that inconsistencies in practice should be reviewed and addressed. Furthermore, the findings from this survey are meant to provide a context and basic understanding of current issues and practices related to the placement of infants and toddlers. This preliminary contextual data is meant to provide an overview of current practices, to help identify immediate actions DHS can take or is already taking regarding services related to placement of infants and toddlers, and to identify areas where more in-depth information is needed in order to inform understanding of current and needed improvements in practice. Several recommendations for further study have been developed as a result of the review and discussions with the Advisory Committee and DHS staff.

Recommendation 6: DHS should conduct a system review to promote cross-section and cross-Island consistency in assessment and service planning to promote replication of successful practices in different parts of the State and to standardize child-specific practices across the State.

Recommendation 7: The DHS Placement Review Advisory Committee should review recommended areas for further study and recommend approaches to address these areas.

Recommendation 8: DHS should incorporate the findings from this review with other action plans currently being developed in DHS, and monitor implementation.

Appendix A

Advisory Committee List of Membership

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Appendix B

Data Tables

Survey Table 1: Child Age by Section¹

| Age of Child | Central N=50 | Diamond Head N=58 | Leeward N=89 | Special Services N=6 | Kauai N=9 | West Hawaii N=23 | East Hawaii N=30 | Maui N=38 | Total N=303 |
|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| 0-1 | 42% | 55% | 46% | 67% | 33% | 39% | 37% | 45% | 45% |
| 1-2 | 24% | 24% | 21% | 17% | 45% | 17% | 17% | 11% | 21% |
| 2-3 | 16% | 12% | 17% | - | 22% | 35% | 23% | 42% | 21% |
| 3+ | 18% | 9% | 16% | 17% | - | 9% | 23% | 2% | 13% |
| Total ² | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

² Columns do not add up to 100 percent because of rounding.

Survey Table 2: Child Ethnicity by Section¹

| Child Ethnicity ² | Central N=50 | Diamond Head N=58 | Leeward N=89 | Special Services N=6 | Kauai N=9 | West Hawaii N=23 | East Hawaii N=30 | Maui N=38 | Total N=303 |
|---|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| American Indian | - | - | 1% | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Alaskan Native | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1% |
| African American | 8% | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Chinese | - | 3% | - | - | - | - | - | 3% | 1% |
| Filipino | 4% | 9% | 14% | 17% | 11% | - | 3% | 11% | 9% |
| Hawaiian or part-Hawaiian | 54% | 57% | 69% | 67% | 67% | 74% | 57% | 37% | 59% |
| Hispanic/Spanish Origin | 4% | 3% | 2% | - | 11% | 4% | 3% | 3% | 3% |
| Japanese | - | 3% | - | - | - | - | 7% | - | 1% |
| Korean | - | 2% | 1% | - | - | - | - | - | 1% |
| Samoan | 4% | 5% | 1% | - | - | - | - | - | 2% |
| Vietnamese | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Marshallese | 2% | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Caucasian | 16% | 9% | 7% | 17% | 11% | 4% | 7% | 29% | 12% |
| Mixed (not part-Hawaiian/not part- other Pacific Islander) | 8% | 9% | 3% | - | - | 17% | 17% | 16% | 9% |
| Unknown | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3% | - |
| Other | - | - | 2% | - | - | - | 7% | - | 1% |
| Total | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

² There were no Cambodian, Laotian, Chuuk, or "Unable to determine" ethnicities in this cohort.

Survey Table 3: Supervisor Demographics – Section by Degree¹

| Degree Type ² | Central N=4 | Diamond Head N=6 | Leeward N=4 | Special Services N=1 | Kauai N=2 | West Hawaii N=3 | East Hawaii N=4 | Maui N=4 | Total N=28 |
|--------------------------|----------------|---------------------|----------------|-------------------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------|---------------|
| MSW | 50% | 100% | 75% | - | 50% | 67% | 50% | 50% | 64% |
| BSW | - | - | 25% | - | - | 67% | 50% | - | 18% |
| ACSW | - | - | - | - | - | 33% | - | - | 4% |
| Other ^{3 4} | 50% | 17% | - | 100% | 50% | 67% | 25% | 100% | 43% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

² There were no PhD's in this cohort.

³ Columns do not add up to 100% because respondents could select more than one answer.

⁴ Other included LCSW, BSCJ, BA

Survey Table 4: Supervisor Demographics – Section by Number of Years in Public Child Welfare, Number of Years at DHS Hawaii¹

| Number of Years in Public Child Welfare ² | Central N=4 | Diamond Head N=6 | Leeward N=4 | Special Services N=1 | Kauai N=2 | West Hawaii N=3 | East Hawaii N=4 | Maui N=4 | Total ³ N=28 |
|--|----------------|---------------------|----------------|-------------------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------|----------------------------|
| 0-5 years | 2% | 5% | 9% | - | - | - | - | - | 4% |
| 6-10 years | 12% | 40% | 43% | - | - | - | 25% | 43% | 27% |
| 11-15 years | - | 19% | - | - | - | 14% | - | - | 7% |
| 16+ years | 86% | 36% | 48% | 100% | 100% | 83% | 75% | 57% | 61% |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Number of Years at DHS Hawaii ⁴ | Central N=4 | Diamond Head N=6 | Leeward N=4 | Special Services N=1 | Kauai N=2 | West Hawaii N=3 | East Hawaii N=4 | Maui N=4 | Total N=28 ⁵ |
| 0-5 years | 25% | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 4% |
| 6-10 years | 25% | 33% | 50% | - | - | - | 25% | - | 21% |
| 11-15 years | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 75% | 14% |
| 16+ years | 50% | 67% | 50% | 100% | 100% | 33% | 75% | 25% | 61% |
| Total | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 67% | 100% | 100% | 100% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

² Total Mean=16.54, Median=16.50, Mode=16.00

³ Any one supervisor could supervise multiple cases in the cohort.

⁴ Mean=16.25, Median=17.00, Mode=21.00

⁵ Any one supervisor could supervise multiple cases in the cohort.

Survey Table 5: Social Worker Demographics - Section by Degree¹

| | Central N=13 | Diamond Head N=18 | Leeward N=19 | Special Services N=4 | Kauai N=6 | West Hawaii N=12 | East Hawaii N=10 | Maui N=9 | Total N=91 |
|----------------------|-----------------|----------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|--------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------|---------------|
| PhD | - | - | - | - | 17% | - | - | - | 1% |
| MSW | 69% | 50% | 58% | 50% | 33% | - | 30% | 11% | 41% |
| BSW | 8% | 22% | 37% | 25% | - | 8% | 10% | 11% | 18% |
| ACSW | - | - | 5% | - | - | - | - | - | 1% |
| Other ^{2 3} | 31% | 44% | 47% | 50% | 50% | 92% | 90% | 78% | 58% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

² Columns do not add up to 100% because respondents could select more than one answer.

³ Other included LCSW, AA, BSCJ, BA, BS, MA, MS, MPA, MBA, MEd, MSCP

Survey Table 6: Social Worker Demographics – Section by Number of Years in Public Child Welfare, Number of Years at DHS Hawaii¹

| Number of Years in Public Child Welfare ² | Central N=13 | Diamond Head N=18 | Leeward N=19 | Special Services N=4 | Kauai N=6 | West Hawaii N=12 | East Hawaii N=10 | Maui N=9 | Total N=91 ³ |
|--|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------|----------------------------|
| 0-5 years | 54% | 56% | 68% | 50% | 33% | 25% | 30% | 56% | 49% |
| 6-10 years | 23% | 11% | 21% | 25% | - | 17% | 20% | 22% | 18% |
| 11-15 years | 8% | 22% | 5% | - | 17% | 17% | 20% | 11% | 13% |
| 16+ years | 15% | 11% | 5% | 25% | 50% | 42% | 30% | 11% | 20% |
| Total | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| | | | | | | | | | |
| Number of Years at DHS Hawaii ⁴ | Central N=13 | Diamond Head N=18 | Leeward N=19 | Special Services N=4 | Kauai N=6 | West Hawaii N=12 | East Hawaii N=10 | Maui N=9 | Total N=91 ⁵ |
| 0-5 years | 46% | 67% | 68% | 25% | 33% | 25% | 40% | 56% | 51% |
| 6-10 years | 23% | 11% | 21% | 50% | - | 8% | 20% | 11% | 16% |
| 11-15 years | 8% | 11% | 5% | 25% | 17% | 17% | 10% | 22% | 12% |
| 16+ years | 23% | 11% | 5% | - | 50% | 50% | 30% | 11% | 21% |
| Total | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

² Total Mean=7.17, Median=4.00, Mode=1.00

³ Any one social worker could supervise multiple cases in the cohort.

⁴ Total Mean=7.20, Median=5.00, Mode=4.00

⁵ Any one social worker could supervise multiple cases in the cohort.

Survey Table 7: Primary Biological/Caregiver Risk Issues¹

| Risk Factor | Influenced Placement % Yes | Services Needed % Yes | Services Offered % Yes ² | Services Available % Yes ^{3 4} | Primary CG Engaged in Services % Yes ⁵ | Likely to Resolve in 12 months % Yes | Present in Previous Case % Yes ⁶ |
|--|-------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--|--|---|--|
| Caregiver-Specific Risk | | | | | | | |
| Domestic Violence | 48% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 53% | 43% | 54% |
| Mental Health/Emotional | 59% | 99% | 99% | 99% | 55% | 39% | 42% |
| Substance Abuse | 84% | 100% | 98% | 99% | 56% | 49% | 68% |
| Lack of Motivation to Change | 58% | 96% | 96% | 96% | 47% | 30% | 61% |
| Lack of Recognition of Problem | 58% | 97% | 99% | 98% | 52% | 36% | 56% |
| Physical or Developmental Delay | 10% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 62% | 42% | 14% |
| History of Caregiver or Child in Family Victimization | | | | | | | |
| Caregiver History of Child Abuse/Neglect as child | 34% | 94% | 93% | 97% | 60% | 37% | 38% |
| Caregiver History of Foster Care as Child | 17% | 96% | 93% | 98% | 61% | 36% | 21% |
| Victimization of other Children | 47% | 95% | 94% | 97% | 56% | 39% | 60% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

² Denominator for services offered does not include services already offered/or when caregiver is already involved in services.

³ Denominator for services available is based on total response per category.

⁴ Could possibly be wait-listed.

⁵ Could possibly not be engaged because wait-listed.

⁶ Denominator based on cases with previous investigations.

Survey Table 7: Primary Biological/Caregiver Risk Issues Continued⁷

| Risk Issue Biological Parent/ Caregiver | Influenced Placement % Yes | Services Needed % Yes | Services Offered % Yes ⁸ | Services Available % Yes ^{9 10} | Primary CG Engaged in Services % Yes ¹¹ | Likely to Resolve in 12 months % Yes | Present in Previous Case % Yes ¹² |
|--|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|--|---|---|---|
| Parenting | | | | | | | |
| Lack of Parenting Skills | 86% | 99% | 99% | 99% | 61% | 48% | 67% |
| Lack of Attachment/Bonding | 25% | 97% | 96% | 99% | 44% | 27% | 28% |
| Inappropriate Expectations | 20% | 100% | 100% | 96% | 59% | 32% | 21% |
| Inappropriate Response to Child | 26% | 100% | 100% | 99% | 71% | 43% | 29% |
| Failure to Protect | 29% | 99% | 99% | 98% | 58% | 51% | 31% |
| Socio, Economic, Other | | | | | | | |
| Stress | 49% | 99% | 96% | 99% | 61% | 53% | 47% |
| Lack of Social Support | 34% | 92% | 92% | 96% | 55% | 47% | 36% |
| Other Risk | 36% | 84% | 76% | 80% | 56% | 50% | 39% |

⁷ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

⁸ Denominator for services offered does not include services already offered/or when caregiver is already involved in services.

⁹ Denominator for services available is based on total response per category.

¹⁰ Could possibly be wait-listed.

¹¹ Could possibly not be engaged because wait-listed.

¹² Denominator based on cases with previous investigations.

Survey Table 7-a: Primary Biological/Caregiver Risk Issues (Children in General License Foster Care)¹

| Risk Factor | Influenced Placement % Yes | Services Needed % Yes | Services Offered % Yes ² | Services Available % Yes ^{3 4} | Primary CG Engaged in Services % Yes ⁵ | Likely to Resolve in 12 months % Yes | Present in Previous Case % Yes ⁶ |
|--|-------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--|--|---|--|
| Caregiver-Specific Risk | | | | | | | |
| Domestic Violence | 40% | 106% | 100% | 97% | 56% | 56% | 50% |
| Mental Health/Emotional | 58% | 100% | 100% | 96% | 54% | 33% | 56% |
| Substance Abuse | 71% | 100% | 97% | 95% | 48% | 57% | 71% |
| Lack of Motivation to Change | 49% | 98% | 100% | 95% | 42% | 33% | 73% |
| Lack of Recognition of Problem | 63% | 96% | 100% | 98% | 45% | 38% | 68% |
| Physical or Developmental Delay | 9% | 100% | 100% | 62% | 36% | 50% | 4% |
| History of Caregiver or Child in Family Victimization | | | | | | | |
| Caregiver History of Child Abuse/Neglect as Child | 33% | 93% | 100% | 93% | 65% | 47% | 42% |
| Caregiver History of Foster Care as Child | 21% | 95% | 100% | 81% | 54% | 45% | 28% |
| Victimization of Other Children | 34% | 100% | 100% | 90% | 44% | 26% | 59% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

² Denominator for services offered does not include services already offered/or when caregiver is already involved in services.

³ Denominator for services available is based on total response per category.

⁴ Could possibly be wait-listed.

⁵ Could possibly not be engaged because wait-listed

⁶ Denominator based on cases with previous investigations.

Survey Table 7-a: Primary Biological/Caregiver Risk Issues (Children in General License Foster Care), Continued

| Risk Factor | Influenced Placement % Yes | Services Needed % Yes | Services Offered % Yes ⁷ | Services Available % Yes ^{8 9} | Primary CG Engaged in Services % Yes ¹⁰ | Likely to Resolve in 12 months % Yes | Present in Previous Case % Yes ¹¹ |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--|---|---|---|
| Parenting | | | | | | | |
| Parenting Skills | 38% | 88% | 100% | 99% | 61% | 53% | 39% |
| Lack of Attachment/Bonding | 23% | 100% | 95% | 76% | 28% | 38% | 31% |
| Inappropriate Expectations | 23% | 95% | 100% | 75% | 44% | 30% | 29% |
| Inappropriate Response to Child | 21% | 100% | 100% | 82% | 57% | 57% | 22% |
| Failure to Protect | 33% | 103% | 100% | 94% | 56% | 48% | 34% |
| Socio, Economic, Other | | | | | | | |
| Stress | 43% | 95% | 97% | 91% | 55% | 58% | 43% |
| Lack of Social Support | 38% | 88% | 96% | 83% | 47% | 55% | 47% |

⁷ Denominator for services offered does not include services already offered/or when caregiver is already involved in services.

⁸ Denominator for services available is based on total response per category.

⁹ Could possibly be wait-listed.

¹⁰ Could possibly not be engaged because wait-listed

¹¹ Denominator based on cases with previous investigations.

Survey Table 7-b: Primary Biological/Caregiver Risk Issues (Children in Relative/Kin Care) ¹

| Risk Factor | Influenced Placement % Yes | Services Needed % Yes | Services Offered % Yes ² | Services Available % Yes ^{3 4} | Primary CG Engaged in Services % Yes ⁵ | Likely to Resolve in 12 months % Yes | Present in Previous Case % Yes ⁶ |
|--|-------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--|--|---|--|
| Caregiver-Specific Risk | | | | | | | |
| Domestic Violence | 50% | 101% | 100% | 97% | 47% | 35% | 63% |
| Mental Health/Emotional | 58% | 102% | 100% | 97% | 52% | 38% | 61% |
| Substance Abuse | 88% | 99% | 99% | 99% | 52% | 43% | 67% |
| Lack of Motivation to Change | 59% | 94% | 100% | 94% | 42% | 28% | 57% |
| Lack of Recognition of Problem | 51% | 96% | 100% | 96% | 51% | 34% | 41% |
| Physical or Developmental Delay | 9% | 107% | 93% | 90% | 26% | 13% | 20% |
| History of Caregiver or Child in Family Victimization | | | | | | | |
| Caregiver History of Child Abuse/Neglect as Child | 27% | 93% | 98% | 96% | 39% | 23% | 32% |
| Caregiver History of Foster Care as Child | 9% | 113% | 94% | 71% | 23% | 10% | 19% |
| Victimization of Other Children | 45% | 93% | 97% | 93% | 51% | 38% | 59% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

² Denominator for services offered does not include services already offered/or where caregiver was already involved in services

³ Denominator for services available is based on total response per category.

⁴ Could possibly be wait-listed.

⁵ Could possibly not be engaged because wait-listed

⁶ Denominator based on cases with previous investigations.

Survey Table 7-b: Primary Biological/Caregiver Risk Issues (Children in Relative/Kin Care), Continued

| Risk Factor | Influenced Placement % Yes | Services Needed % Yes | Services Offered % Yes ⁷ | Services Available % Yes ^{8 9} | Primary CG Engaged in Services % Yes ¹⁰ | Likely to Resolve in 12 months % Yes | Present in Previous Case % Yes ¹¹ |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|--|--|---|---|---|
| Parenting | | | | | | | |
| Lack of Parenting Skills | 79% | 101% | 99% | 90% | 55% | 44% | 64% |
| Lack of Attachment/Bonding | 25% | 98% | 100% | 89% | 34% | 19% | 30% |
| Inappropriate Expectations | 49% | 115% | 100% | 88% | 46% | 29% | 20% |
| Inappropriate Response to Child | 34% | 100% | 98% | 90% | 53% | 53% | 32% |
| Failure to Protect | 25% | 100% | 97% | 93% | 40% | 39% | 34% |
| Socio, Economic, Other | | | | | | | |
| Stress | 44% | 99% | 97% | 94% | 55% | 46% | 48% |
| Lack social support | 28% | 98% | 98% | 88% | 48% | 39% | 36% |

⁷ Denominator for services offered does not include services already offered/or whether caregiver was already involved in services

⁸ Denominator for services available is based on total response per category.

⁹ Could possibly be wait-listed.

¹⁰ Could possibly not be engaged because wait-listed

¹¹ Denominator based on cases with previous investigations.

Survey Table 8: Child Risk Issues¹

| Risk Issue Child | Influenced Placement | Services Needed ² | Services Offered | Services Available | Child Engaged in Services | Likely to Resolve in 12 months | Present in Previous Case |
|-------------------------|----------------------|------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Medically Fragile | 14% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 97% | 77% | 16% |
| Developmentally Delayed | 15% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 68% | 17% |
| Substance Exposed | 48% | 92% | 95% | 97% | 87% | 54% | 40% |
| Other Risk | 29% | 86% | 87% | 86% | 59% | 64% | 17% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

² Denominator for services offered does not include services already offered or whether child was already involved in services.

Survey Table 9: Current Placement Type by Section¹

| Placement Type | Central N=50 | Diamond Head N=58 | Leeward N=89 | Special Services N=6 | Kauai N=9 | West Hawaii N=23 | East Hawaii N=30 | Maui N=38 | Total N=303 |
|---|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| General License Foster Care | 44% | 24% | 20% | 33% | 22% | 22% | 47% | 34% | 30% |
| Child-Specific Relative Foster Care | 38% | 53% | 66% | 67% | 45% | 69% | 43% | 50% | 55% |
| Child-Specific Non-Relative Foster Care | 16% | 10% | 8% | 0% | 22% | 9% | 3% | 13% | 10% |
| Other ² | 2% | 12% | 6% | - | 11% | - | 7% | 3% | 5% |
| Total | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

² Responses included: relatives came forward later and proved to be interested, home studies being done to choose a home; Child is placed with parents; reunified w/mother; Family Supervision with mother; not applicable; relatives did not meet licensing standards; Family Supervision with mother; child in relative placement; ICPC done to Washington State; mother did not want child placed with relatives; reunited w/ father; Pat G'prts refused Mat G'prts cannot pass likening; family could not think of anyone else.; related 1/2 sib to fm's child; Placed w/ siblings; child was never removed from the home; pending maternal identification; kin placement disrupted; hospital; Mother knew of general licensed FH and req'd child be placed there.; Unable to locate any relatives; Children were with relatives initially; however, an active CPS case was initiated on the family and children needed to be removed.; Child was placed with relatives; however, a CPS case was opened on family, and child needed to be moved; reunified with mother; Awaiting mother to be admitted in Women's Way residential treatment; Adopted; Parents agreed with placement and Ohana Conference also convened to discuss placement.; mother in foster home; Relatives allowed family members to come into their home and inappropriately discipline child; Former relative placement allowed child to harm self and other children, lack of proper supervision; siblings were neglected and injured in same relative home; Home with mother under Family Supervision; Kin license pending; Parents have had parental rights terminated by the DHS for 4 of their kids. Private guardianship was given to mat. grandma for another 2 children. The family is overwhelmed.; Sibling requires special care as she is down syndrome, boy is placed with his sister; Mat Step-G'ma identified, but previously working with her indicated that she could not be protective and there were other adults in the home with Mat Step-G'ma who would not pass the Crim History; child in specific relative home

Survey Table 10: Reason Child Not with Relative or Child-Specific Non-Relative by Section¹

| Reason Child Not Placed With Relative/ Kin ² | Central N=23 | Diamond Head N=22 | Leeward N=23 | Special Services N=2 | Kauai N=3 | West Hawaii N=5 | East Hawaii N=16 | Maui N=15 | Total N=109 |
|--|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Relative(s) Unable or Unwilling | 44% | 50% | 44% | 100% | 33% | 80% | 81% | 53% | 54% |
| Relative(s) Off Island | 52% | 23% | 13% | - | 33% | 20% | 56% | 40% | 34% |
| Unable to Identify/No Relative(s) | 30% | 5% | 13% | - | - | 60% | 13% | - | 15% |
| Child Attached to Foster Parent | - | 5% | 30% | 50% | - | - | 25% | 13% | 14% |
| Relative/Kin Placement Does Not Promote Child Well-Being | 30% | 9% | 39% | 50% | 33% | 40% | 31% | 7% | 26% |
| Paternal Identification Pending | 9% | 14% | 17% | - | - | - | 25% | 7% | 13% |
| Court Ordered | - | - | 13% | - | - | - | - | - | 3% |
| Other Sibling Not Placed | - | 5% | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1% |
| Other ³ | 4% | 10% | 12% | - | 33% | 60% | 6% | 40% | 34% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

² Denominator based on number of respondents per section.

³ Columns add up to more than 100% because respondents could select more than one answer.

Survey Table11: Top 3 Reasons Child Not With Relative or Child-Specific Non-Relative by Section¹

| Top 3 Reasons Child Not With Relative/ Kin ² | Central N=23 | Diamond Head N=20 | Leeward N=23 | Special Services N=2 | Kauai N=3 | West Hawaii N=5 | East Hawaii N=16 | Maui N=15 | Total N=107 |
|--|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Relative(s) Unable or Unwilling | 44% | 60% | 52% | 100% | 33% | 80% | 94% | 60% | 61% |
| Relative(s) Off Island | 48% | 25% | 13% | - | 33% | 20% | 50% | 40% | 33% |
| Unable to Identify/No Relative(s) | 26% | 35% | 26% | 50% | - | 60% | 13% | - | 23% |
| Child Attached to Foster Parent | - | 20% | 44% | 50% | - | - | 25% | 27% | 22% |
| Relative/Kin Placement Does Not Promote Child Well-Being | 39% | 30% | 39% | 50% | 33% | 40% | 31% | 7% | 32% |
| Paternal Identification Pending | 9% | 10% | 9% | - | - | - | 19% | 7% | 9% |
| Court Ordered | - | - | 39% | - | - | - | - | - | 8% |
| Other Sibling Not Placed | 4% | 5% | 30% | 50% | - | 80% | 6% | 20% | 17% |
| Other ^{3 4} | 48% | 75% | 44% | - | 100% | - | 6% | - | 37% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

² Denominator related to number of respondents per section.

³ Columns add up to more than 100% because respondents could select more than one answer.

⁴ Columns add up to more than 100% because respondents could select more than one answer.

Survey Table 12: Reason Relative Placement or Child-Specific Non-Relative Placement Does not Promote Child Well-Being¹

| Reason ² | Central N=9 | Diamond Head N=6 | Leeward N=10 | Special Services N=1 | Kauai N=1 | West Hawaii N=2 | East Hawaii N=5 | Maui N=2 | Total N=36 |
|--|----------------|------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------|---------------|
| Kin Believed to be Unable to Protect, Unsafe Living Conditions | 45% | 50% | 80% | 100% | - | - | 80% | - | 56% |
| Allow Parent Visit/ Working Toward Reunification | 22% | 17% | - | - | 100% | 50% | - | - | 14% |
| Parent Request | - | - | 10% | - | - | - | - | - | 3% |
| Kin Unable to Care for Child/ Child Special Needs | 11% | 17% | - | - | - | - | - | 50% | 8% |
| Kin Unwilling | - | 17% | - | - | - | - | 20% | - | 5% |
| Unable to Pass Licensing Requirements | 22% | - | 10% | - | - | 50% | - | - | 11% |
| Placement Pending | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 50% | 3% |
| Total ³ | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

² Denominator related to those children where child-specific non-relative placement does not promote child well-being

³ Columns do not add up to 100 percent because of rounding.

Survey Table 13: Sibling Placement by Section¹

| Sibling Location | Central N=50 | Diamond Head N=58 | Leeward N=89 | Special Services N=6 | Kauai N=9 | West Hawaii N=23 | East Hawaii N=30 | Maui N=38 | Total N=303 |
|---|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Yes, Sibling in Placement | 56% | 64% | 64% | 67% | 33% | 48% | 70% | 55% | 60% |
| Siblings in Placement ² | N=28 | N=37 | N=57 | N=4 | N=3 | N=11 | N=21 | N=21 | N=182 |
| All Siblings in Same Placement | 64% | 51% | 46% | - | - | 36% | 48% | 72% | 50% |
| Sibling Placed with One But Not All Siblings | 18% | 8% | 21% | 50% | 67% | 36% | 24% | 14% | 20% |
| Not Placed with Any Siblings | 18% | 41% | 33% | 50% | 33% | 27% | 28% | 14% | 30% |
| Reason Why Sibling Not Placed With Other Siblings ³ | N=5 | N=3 | N=12 | N=2 | N=2 | N=4 | N=5 | N=3 | N=36 |
| No Home Available to Accommodate Sibling Group (Relative or Foster) | 40% | 33% | 25% | 50% | 100% | 75% | 40% | 33% | 42% |
| Caregiver For Sibling Unable to Take Other Sibling | 20% | 33% | 25% | - | - | - | 20% | - | 17% |
| Sibling Has Special Needs | - | - | 25% | - | - | - | - | - | 8% |
| Parent Already Selected A Foster/Adopt Placement | - | - | 8% | - | - | - | - | - | 3% |
| Other Sibling Already in Other Permanent Placement | - | - | - | 50% | - | - | - | 33% | 6% |
| Older Siblings Already in Other Placement | 20% | - | - | - | - | - | - | 33% | 6% |
| Other Reason | 20% | 33% | 17% | - | - | 25% | 40% | - | 19% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

² Denominator related to those children who have siblings that are also in placement.

³ Denominator related to those children who have siblings that are also in placement, but are not placed with them.

Survey Table 14: Kin Involvement in Decision-Making by Section¹

| Kin Involvement in Decision-Making | Central N=50 | Diamond Head N=58 | Leeward N=89 | Special Services N=6 | Kauai N=9 | West Hawaii N=23 | East Hawaii N=30 | Maui N=38 | Total N=303 |
|--|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Percent Kin Involved in First 60 Days | 78% | 91% | 92% | 67% | 100% | 96% | 87% | 97% | 90% |
| Ways Kin Involved in First 60 Days ² | N=39 | N=53 | N=82 | N=4 | N=9 | N=22 | N=26 | N=37 | N=272 |
| Ohana Conference/ Epic | 67% | 66% | 70% | - | 44% | 64% | 39% | 54% | 61% |
| CWS Moderated Family Meeting | 84% | 43% | 48% | 100% | 89% | 5% | 65% | 78% | 57% |
| Pre-Hearing Conference/ Service Planning/ Judicial | - | 9% | 1% | - | 44% | - | 39% | 27% | 11% |
| Multi-Disciplinary Team | 8% | 19% | - | 25% | 33% | 5% | 8% | 16% | 10% |
| Other | 21% | 8% | 28% | - | 11% | 50% | 31% | 11% | 22% |
| Percent Kin Involved After First 60 Days (If kin not involved in first 60 days)³ | 75% | 50% | 71% | - | N/A | 100% | 50% | 100% | 64% |
| Reasons Preventing Kin Involvement in Placement Decision | N=9 | N=3 | N=5 | N=0 | N=0 | N=1 | N=2 | N=1 | N=21 |
| Unable to Contact/ Locate | 45% | 67% | 40% | - | - | - | 50% | 100% | 48% |
| Kin Did Not Pass ICPC | 33% | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 14% |
| Unsuitable/ Not in Child's Best Interest | - | - | 20% | - | - | 100% | 50% | - | 14% |
| Unwilling/ Unable | 11% | 33% | 20% | - | - | - | - | - | 14% |
| Placement Pending | 11% | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 5% |
| Family Supervision | - | - | 20% | - | - | - | - | - | 5% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

² Columns add up to more than 100% because respondents could select more than one answer.

³ Twenty-one respondents reported that kin was not involved during first 60 days, but was involved after 60 days. Of these 21, only 10 provided information on how the kin was actually involved. The ways the 10 families were involved included Ohana, CWS Moderated Family Meeting, and Multi-Disciplinary Team.

Survey Table 15: Connections With Biological/Primary Caregiver by Section¹

| Family Connections | Central N=50 | Diamond Head N=58 | Leeward N=89 | Special Services N=6 | Kauai N=9 | West Hawaii N=23 | East Hawaii N=30 | Maui N=38 | Total N=303 |
|---|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Children With Weekly Connections with Biological/Primary Caregiver | 80% | 76% | 71% | 50% | 89% | 74% | 80% | 71% | 75% |
| Of Children in General Lic. Foster Care | N=22 | N=14 | N=18 | N=2 | N=2 | N=5 | N=14 | N=13 | N=90 |
| | 77% | 64% | 44% | 50% | 50% | 80% | 71% | 100% | 70% |
| Of Children in Relative/ Kin Care | N=19 | N=31 | N=59 | N=4 | N=4 | N=16 | N=13 | N=19 | N=165 |
| | 79% | 84% | 78% | 50% | 100% | 78% | 85% | 58% | 77% |
| Of Cases Where Parent/Caregiver Risk Issue "Attachment/ Bonding" Influenced Placement | N=8 | N=16 | N=24 | N=2 | N=0 | N=5 | N=3 | N=13 | N=71 |
| | 63% | 75% | 67% | - | N/A | 20% | 67% | 69% | 63% |
| Reasons Not Weekly Connections ² | N=10 | N=14 | N=26 | N=3 | N=1 | N=6 | N=6 | N=11 | N=77 |
| Unsafe Contact | 20% | 7% | 35% | - | - | 33% | 17% | 18% | 22% |
| Deceased | - | - | 4% | - | - | - | - | - | 1% |
| Court Order | - | 7% | 12% | - | - | - | - | 9% | 7% |
| Unable to Locate | 60% | 50% | 54% | 33% | - | 83% | 83% | 18% | 52% |
| Out-of-State or Off-Island | - | 7% | 4% | - | 100% | - | 33% | 36% | 12% |
| Incarcerated | 30% | 7% | 19% | 33% | - | 17% | 33% | 27% | 21% |
| Visits Arranged/Parents No-Show/Inconsistent Show | 10% | 36% | 39% | - | - | 33% | 50% | 36% | 33% |
| Visitation Resources Not Available/Limited ³ | - | - | 4% | - | 100% | - | - | - | 3% |
| Other ⁴ | 20% | 29% | 31% | 67% | - | 33% | 33% | 9% | 27% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

² There were only four cases that identified resources not available/limited, and of those, three indicated that even if resources were available, child would not visit with biological parent/primary caregiver more often.

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⁴ Columns add up to more than 100% because respondents could select more than one answer.

Survey Table 16: Contact Type by Family Member by Section¹

| | Central | Diamond Head | Leeward | Special Services | Kauai | West Hawaii | East Hawaii | Maui | Total |
|------------------------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| Mother | N=48 | N=55 | N=83 | N=6 | N=8 | N=22 | N=30 | N=36 | N=288 |
| Contact, Yes ² | 85% | 71% | 77% | 67% | 100% | 72% | 80% | 81% | 78% |
| | N=41 | N=39 | N=64 | N=4 | N=8 | N=16 | N=23 | N=29 | N=224 |
| In-Person, Yes ³ | 98% | 97% | 98% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 96% | 100% | 98% |
| | N=40 | N=38 | N=63 | N=4 | N=8 | N=16 | N=22 | N=29 | N=220 |
| Supervised, Yes | 70% | 79% | 60% | 100% | 75% | 81% | 91% | 83% | 74% |
| Father | N=47 | N=50 | N=75 | N=6 | N=8 | N=22 | N=29 | N=31 | N=268 |
| Contact, Yes | 77% | 54% | 56% | 17% | 50% | 55% | 55% | 58% | 58% |
| | N=36 | N=26 | N=42 | N=1 | N=4 | N=12 | N=15 | N=17 | N=153 |
| In-Person, Yes | 97% | 100% | 95% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 87% | 100% | 97% |
| | N=35 | N=26 | N=40 | N=1 | N=4 | N=12 | N=13 | N=17 | N=148 |
| Supervised, Yes ⁴ | 66% | 92% | 63% | 100% | 75% | 92% | 85% | 77% | 75% |
| Siblings | N=20 | N=43 | N=69 | N=4 | N=7 | N=15 | N=28 | N=20 | N=206 |
| Contact, Yes | 80% | 70% | 74% | 100% | 71% | 87% | 79% | 60% | 74% |
| | N=13 | N=27 | N=49 | N=4 | N=5 | N=13 | N=21 | N=9 | N=141 |
| In-Person, Yes | 92% | 100% | 98% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 99% |
| | N=12 | N=26 | N=47 | N=4 | N=5 | N=13 | N=21 | N=9 | N=137 |
| Supervised, Yes | 75% | 65% | 43% | 100% | 40% | 77% | 67% | 44% | 58% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

² Denominators for "Contact, Yes" do not include those who replied "Not Applicable."

³ Denominators for "In-person, Yes" related to those who responded that there was contact between child and family member.

⁴ Denominators for "Supervised, Yes" related to those who responded that there was in-person contact between child and family member.

Survey Table 16: Contact Type by Family Member by Section, Continued

| | Central | Diamond Head | Leeward | Special Services | Kauai | West Hawaii | East Hawaii | Maui | Total |
|------------------------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| Paternal Grandparents | N=37 | N=42 | N=67 | N=5 | N=7 | N=19 | N=29 | N=23 | N=229 |
| Contact, Yes | 41% | 31% | 30% | 60% | 43% | 58% | 38% | 48% | 38% |
| | N=15 | N=13 | N=19 | N=3 | N=3 | N=10 | N=10 | N=11 | N=84 |
| In-Person, Yes | 87% | 100% | 95% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 90% | 100% | 95% |
| | N=13 | N=13 | N=18 | N=3 | N=3 | N=10 | N=9 | N=11 | N=80 |
| Supervised, Yes | 31% | 54% | 28% | 67% | 0% | 50% | 33% | 9% | 34% |
| Maternal Grandparents | N=38 | N=46 | N=75 | N=6 | N=8 | N=20 | N=28 | N=25 | N=246 |
| Contact, Yes | 50% | 50% | 50% | 50% | 50% | 50% | 50% | 50% | 50% |
| | N=19 | N=21 | N=39 | N=4 | N=6 | N=10 | N=18 | N=13 | N=130 |
| In-Person, Yes | 84% | 100% | 97% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 94% | 85% | 95% |
| | N=16 | N=21 | N=38 | N=4 | N=6 | N=10 | N=17 | N=11 | N=123 |
| Supervised, Yes | 48% | 29% | 24% | 50% | 17% | 50% | 30% | 18% | 29% |
| Other Relative | N=4 | N=19 | N=54 | N=2 | N=3 | N=16 | N=15 | N=8 | N=121 |
| Contact, Yes | 75% | 75% | 75% | 75% | 75% | 75% | 75% | 75% | 75% |
| | N=3 | N=7 | N=36 | N=1 | N=2 | N=11 | N=10 | N=4 | N=74 |
| In-Person, Yes | 100% | 100% | 97% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 99% |
| | N=3 | N=7 | N=34 | N=1 | N=2 | N=11 | N=10 | N=4 | N=72 |
| Supervised, Yes | 67% | 14% | 15% | 100% | 50% | 55% | 30% | 75% | 31% |

Survey Table 17: Frequency of Type of Contact by Family Member By Section¹

| ALL SECTIONS² | Once a Day | Several Times a Week | Once a Week | Between 1-4 Times Per Month | Once a Month | Less Than 1 X per Month |
|---------------------------------|------------|----------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| Mother N=229 | 14% | 42% | 28% | 8% | 4% | 4% |
| Father N=158 | 13% | 41% | 32% | 6% | 3% | 4% |
| Siblings N=147 | 36% | 24% | 18% | 5% | 8% | 9% |
| Paternal Grandparents N=93 | 18% | 14% | 19% | 14% | 16% | 18% |
| Maternal Grandparents N=136 | 24% | 25% | 9% | 15% | 15% | 13% |
| Other Relative N=75 | 13% | 31% | 12% | 23% | 12% | 9% |

Survey Table 17-a³

| CENTRAL⁴ | Once a Day | Several Times a Week | Once a Week | Between 1-4 Times Per Month | Once a Month | Less Than 1 X per Month |
|----------------------------|------------|----------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| Mother N=41 | 2% | 54% | 22% | 17% | 2% | 2% |
| Father N=36 | 3% | 56% | 28% | 8% | 3% | 3% |
| Siblings N=14 | 29% | 29% | 14% | - | 21% | 7% |
| Paternal Grandparents N=18 | 22% | 19% | 6% | 50% | 6% | 17% |
| Maternal Grandparents N=22 | 14% | 27% | 5% | 36% | 5% | 14% |
| Other Relative N=3 | - | - | 33% | - | 33% | 33% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

² Columns add up to more than 100% because respondents could select more than one answer.

³ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

⁴ Columns add up to more than 100% because respondents could select more than one answer.

Survey Table 17-b⁵

| DIAMOND HEAD⁶ | Once a Day | Several Times a Week | Once a Week | Between 1-4 Times Per Month | Once a Month | Less Than 1 X per Month |
|---------------------------------|------------|----------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| Mother N=43 | 14% | 26% | 40% | 5% | 5% | 12% |
| Father N=26 | 15% | 31% | 46% | - | - | 8% |
| Siblings N=27 | 37% | 11% | 22% | 7% | 7% | 15% |
| Paternal Grandparents N=16 | 13% | 25% | 19% | - | - | 44% |
| Maternal Grandparents N=23 | 22% | 26% | 13% | 4% | 4% | 30% |
| Other Relative N=7 | 14% | 43% | 14% | 14% | - | 14% |

Survey Table 17-c⁷⁸

| LEEWARD | Once a Day | Several Times a Week | Once a Week | Between 1-4 Times Per Month | Once a Month | Less Than 1 X per Month |
|----------------------------|------------|----------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| Mother N=64 | 14% | 42% | 33% | 8% | 2% | 2% |
| Father N=46 | 11% | 37% | 30% | 9% | 7% | 7% |
| Siblings N=51 | 35% | 28% | 12% | 10% | 8% | 8% |
| Paternal Grandparents N=22 | - | 27% | 18% | 14% | 18% | 23% |
| Maternal Grandparents N=41 | 24% | 24% | 2% | 17% | 17% | 15% |
| Other Relative N=36 | 11% | 28% | 3% | 33% | 14% | 11% |

⁵ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

⁶ Columns add up to more than 100% because respondents could select more than one answer.

⁷ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

⁸ Columns add up to more than 100% because respondents could select more than one answer.

Survey Table 17-d⁹

| SPECIAL SERVICES¹⁰ | Once a Day | Several Times a Week | Once a Week | Between 1-4 Times Per Month | Once a Month | Less Than 1 X per Month |
|--------------------------------------|------------|----------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| Mother N=4 | - | 25% | 50% | - | - | 25% |
| Father N=1 | - | 100% | - | - | - | - |
| Siblings N=4 | - | - | 75% | - | - | 25% |
| Paternal Grandparents N=3 | 33% | - | - | - | 33% | 33% |
| Maternal Grandparents N=3 | 67% | - | - | - | 33% | - |
| Other Relative N=1 | - | - | - | - | 100% | - |

Survey Table 17-e¹¹

| KAUAI¹² | Once a Day | Several Times a Week | Once a Week | Between 1-4 Times Per Month | Once a Month | Less Than 1 X per Month |
|---------------------------|------------|----------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| Mother N=8 | 38% | 38% | 13% | - | 13% | - |
| Father N=4 | 50% | 50% | - | - | - | - |
| Siblings N=5 | 40% | 40% | - | - | 20% | - |
| Paternal Grandparents N=3 | 33% | - | - | - | 67% | - |
| Maternal Grandparents N=6 | 17% | 17% | - | 50% | 17% | - |
| Other Relative N=2 | 50% | 50% | - | - | - | - |

⁹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

¹⁰ Columns add up to more than 100% because respondents could select more than one answer.

¹¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

¹² Columns add up to more than 100% because respondents could select more than one answer.

Survey Table 17-f¹³¹⁴

| WEST HAWAII | Once a Day | Several Times a Week | Once a Week | Between 1-4 Times Per Month | Once a Month | Less Than 1 X per Month |
|----------------------------|------------|----------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| Mother N=16 | 6% | 75% | 6% | 13% | - | - |
| Father N=12 | - | 58% | 33% | - | - | 8% |
| Siblings N=15 | 27% | 27% | 27% | - | 7% | 13% |
| Paternal Grandparents N=10 | 20% | - | 30% | - | 40% | 10% |
| Maternal Grandparents N=10 | 30% | 30% | 20% | - | 20% | - |
| Other Relative N=11 | 18% | 55% | 27% | - | - | - |

Survey Table 17-g¹⁵¹⁶

| EAST HAWAII | Once a Day | Several Times a Week | Once a Week | Between 1-4 Times Per Month | Once a Month | Less Than 1 X per Month |
|----------------------------|------------|----------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| Mother N=24 | 50% | 13% | 29% | - | 8% | - |
| Father N=16 | 38% | 6% | 50% | 6% | - | - |
| Siblings N=22 | 46% | 23% | 27% | - | - | 5% |
| Paternal Grandparents N=10 | 20% | - | 40% | 10% | 30% | - |
| Maternal Grandparents N=18 | 28% | 11% | 17% | 6% | 33% | 6% |
| Other Relative N=11 | 18% | 18% | 18% | 27% | 18% | - |

¹³ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

¹⁴ Columns add up to more than 100% because respondents could select more than one answer.

¹⁵ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

¹⁶ Columns add up to more than 100% because respondents could select more than one answer.

Survey Table 17-h¹⁷

| MAUI¹⁸ | Once a Day | Several Times a Week | Once a Week | Between 1-4 Times Per Month | Once a Month | Less Than 1 X per Month |
|----------------------------|------------|----------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|
| Mother N=29 | - | 55% | 24% | 7% | 10% | 3% |
| Father N=17 | 18% | 53% | 18% | 6% | 6% | - |
| Siblings N=9 | 56% | 33% | - | - | 11% | - |
| Paternal Grandparents N=11 | 46% | 27% | 27% | - | - | - |
| Maternal Grandparents N=13 | 24% | 25% | 15% | 8% | 8% | - |
| Other Relative N=4 | - | 25% | 25% | 25% | - | 25% |

¹⁷ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

¹⁸ Columns add up to more than 100% because respondents could select more than one answer.

Survey Table 18: Visits in Biological Home by Section¹

| | Central N=50 | Diamond Head N=58 | Leeward N=89 | Special Services N=6 | Kauai N=9 | West Hawaii N=23 | East Hawaii N=30 | Maui N=38 | Total N=303 |
|--|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| % Occur in Biological Parent/Caregiver Home | 34% | 22% | 40% | 33% | 78% | 39% | 37% | 18% | 34% |
| | N=22 | N=14 | N=18 | N=2 | N=1 | N=5 | N=14 | N=13 | N=90 |
| % in Biological Home by those in General License Foster Care | 41% | 21% | 22% | - | 50% | 60% | 21% | 23% | 29% |
| | N=19 | N=31 | N=59 | N=4 | N=4 | N=16 | N=13 | N=19 | N=165 |
| % in Biological Home by those in Relative/ Kin Placement | 21% | 19% | 44% | 50% | 75% | 38% | 46% | 11% | 33% |
| Reasons Don't Occur in Home ² | N=24 | N=39 | N=32 | N=3 | N=2 | N=13 | N=17 | N=16 | N=146 |
| Housing Issues/ Homeless | 42% | 15% | 38% | - | 50% | 31% | 41% | 44% | 32% |
| Unsafe Conditions/ Unable to Protect | 4% | 18% | 9% | - | - | 23% | 41% | 6% | 15% |
| Geographic/Logistic Issues | 21% | 5% | 9% | - | - | 23% | - | 6% | 9% |
| Parents' Whereabouts Unknown | 4% | 13% | 13% | - | - | 15% | 6% | 6% | 9% |
| Child has Never Lived in Parents' Home | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 6% | 1% |
| Parents Incarcerated/ Treatment Program | 8% | 10% | 3% | 33% | 50% | 7% | 12% | 6% | 9% |
| Court Order/ Permanency/ Reunification Plan | 13% | 5% | 3% | 33% | - | - | - | - | 5% |
| Child More Comfortable Elsewhere | - | 3% | - | - | - | - | - | 13% | 2% |
| Parents No-Show | - | 3% | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1% |
| Parent Request | - | 5% | - | 33% | - | - | - | 6% | 3% |
| Child Special Needs | 4% | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1% |
| N/A | 4% | 23% | 25% | - | - | - | - | 6% | 13% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

² Columns do not add up to 100 percent because of rounding.

Survey Table 18-a: Visits in Biological Home by Section (Children in General License Foster Care)¹

| | Central N=22 | Diamond Head N=14 | Leeward N=18 | Special Services N=2 | Kauai N=2 | West Hawaii N=5 | East Hawaii N=14 | Maui N=13 | Total N=90 |
|---|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| % Occur in Biological Parent/Caregiver Home | 41% | 21% | 22% | - | 50% | 60% | 21% | 23% | 29% |
| Reasons Don't Occur in Home ² | N=9 | N=8 | N=7 | N=1 | N=1 | N=2 | N=9 | N=6 | N=43 |
| Housing Issues/ Homeless | 33% | 25% | 14% | - | - | - | 56% | 67% | 35% |
| Unsafe Conditions/ Unable to Protect | 11% | 13% | 29% | - | - | - | 44% | - | 19% |
| Geographic/Logistic Issues | 22% | - | - | - | - | 50% | - | 17% | 9% |
| Parents' Whereabouts Unknown | 4% | 25% | 29% | - | - | 50% | - | - | 12% |
| Parents Incarcerated/ Treatment Program | 11% | - | - | - | 100% | - | - | - | 5% |
| Court Order/ Permanency/ Reunification Plan | 22% | - | 14% | 100% | - | - | - | - | 9% |
| Child More Comfortable Elsewhere | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 17% | 2% |
| Parents No-Show | - | 13 | - | - | - | - | - | - | 2% |
| N/A | 4% | 25% | 14% | - | - | - | - | - | 7% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

² Columns do not add up to 100 percent because of rounding.

Survey Table 18-b: Visits in Biological Home by Section (Children Relative/Kin Care)¹

| | Central N=19 | Diamond Head N=31 | Leeward N=59 | Special Services N=4 | Kauai N=4 | West Hawaii N=16 | East Hawaii N=13 | Maui N=19 | Total N=165 |
|---|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| % Occur in Biological Parent/Caregiver Home | 21% | 19% | 44% | 50% | 75% | 38% | 46% | 11% | 33% |
| Reasons Don't Occur in Home ² | N=10 | N=19 | N=23 | N=2 | N=1 | N=10 | N=7 | N=7 | N=79 |
| Housing Issues/ Homeless | 60% | 11% | 48% | - | 100% | 30% | 29% | 43% | 35% |
| Unsafe Conditions/ Unable to Protect | - | 16% | 4% | - | - | 30% | 29% | - | 11% |
| Geographic/Logistic Issues | 10% | 5% | 9% | - | - | 20% | - | - | 8% |
| Parents' Whereabouts Unknown | 10% | 11% | 9% | - | - | 10% | 14% | - | 9% |
| Child has Never Lived in Parents' Home | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 14% | 1% |
| Parents Incarcerated/ Treatment Program | 10% | 16% | 4% | 50% | - | 10% | 29% | - | 11% |
| Child More Comfortable Elsewhere | - | 5% | - | - | - | - | - | 14% | 3% |
| Parent Request | - | 5% | - | 50% | - | - | - | 14% | 4% |
| N/A | 10% | 32% | 26% | - | - | - | - | 14% | 18% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

² Columns do not add up to 100 percent because of rounding.

Survey Table 19: How Well Current Caregiver Meets Child's Need by Section^{1 2}

| | Central | Diamond Head | Leeward | Special Services | Kauai | West Hawaii | East Hawaii | Maui | Total |
|---|---------|--------------|---------|------------------|-------|-------------|-------------|------|-------|
| Child's Needs ³ | N=50 | N=55 | N=87 | N=6 | N=9 | N=23 | N=30 | N=37 | N=297 |
| Caregiver Responds to Child's Cries of Distress | 98% | 89% | 95% | 83% | 100% | 96% | 100% | 92% | 95% |
| Caregiver Ensures Child is Clean | 100% | 84% | 94% | 100% | 100% | 96% | 100% | 95% | 94% |
| Caregiver Provides Stimulation by Talking With Child | 100% | 87% | 94% | 100% | 100% | 87% | 100% | 95% | 94% |
| Caregiver Provides a Safe and Clean Place for Child to Sleep | 98% | 86% | 97% | 100% | 100% | 96% | 100% | 97% | 95% |
| Caregiver Ensures Child's Medical Needs Are Met | 100% | 86% | 91% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 95% | 94% |
| Child's Needs ⁴ | N=50 | N=54 | N=87 | N=6 | N=9 | N=23 | N=30 | N=35 | N=296 |
| Child Receives Regular Meals | 100% | 87% | 98% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 97% | 97% |
| Child's Needs ⁵ | N=50 | N=54 | N=87 | N=6 | N=9 | N=23 | N=30 | N=35 | N=295 |
| Caregiver Relates in Positive Ways to Child (e.g., smiles, affectionate touch) | 100% | 89% | 95% | 83% | 100% | 91% | 100% | 97% | 95% |
| Child Receives Nutritious Meals | 100% | 86% | 97% | 100% | 100% | 96% | 100% | 94% | 95% |
| Child's Needs ⁶ | N=50 | N=53 | N=85 | N=6 | N=9 | N=22 | N=28 | N=37 | N=290 |
| Caregiver Supports Primary Caregiver/Biological Parent/Legal Caregiver and Sibling Visits | 92% | 87% | 87% | 50% | 100% | 91% | 93% | 92% | 89% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

² Percentages relate to those who answered a 4 or 5 on a five point scale where 5 equaled "Very Well"

³ Six cases either answered "N/A" for the following questions or did not answer at all and were not included in the total.

⁴ Seven cases either answered "N/A" for the following question or did not answer at all and were not included in the total.

⁵ Eight cases either answered "N/A" for the following questions or did not answer at all and were not included in the total.

⁶ Thirteen cases either answered "N/A" for the following question or did not answer at all and were not included in the total.

Table 19-a: How Well Current Caregiver Meets Child's Need by Section (Children in General License Foster Care)^{1 2}

| | Central | Diamond Head | Leeward | Special Services | Kauai | West Hawaii | East Hawaii | Maui | Total |
|---|---------|--------------|---------|------------------|-------|-------------|-------------|------|-------|
| Child's Needs ³ | N=22 | N=14 | N=18 | N=2 | N=2 | N=5 | N=14 | N=12 | N=89 |
| Caregiver Responds to Child's Cries of Distress | 96% | 93% | 89% | 50% | 100% | 80% | 100% | 83% | 91% |
| Caregiver Ensures Child is Clean | 100% | 86% | 94% | 100% | 100% | 80% | 100% | 92% | 94% |
| Child Receives Regular Meals | 100% | 93% | 94% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 92% | 97% |
| Caregiver Provides Stimulation by Talking to Child | 100% | 86% | 83% | 100% | 100% | 80% | 100% | 92% | 92% |
| Caregiver Provides a Safe and Clean Place for Child to Sleep | 100% | 86% | 94% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 92% | 96% |
| Caregiver Ensures the Child's Medical Needs Are Met | 100% | 86% | 78% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 92% | 92% |
| Child's Needs ⁴ | N=22 | N=14 | N=16 | N=2 | N=2 | N=4 | N=14 | N=12 | N=88 |
| Child Receives Nutritious Meals | 100% | 93% | 94% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 91% | 97% |
| Child's Needs ⁵ | N=22 | N=14 | N=18 | N=2 | N=2 | N=5 | N=14 | N=11 | N=88 |
| Caregiver Relates in Positive Ways to Child (e.g., smiles, affectionate touch) | 100% | 93% | 89% | 50% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 92% | 94% |
| Child's Needs ⁶ | N=22 | N=13 | N=18 | N=2 | N=2 | N=5 | N=13 | N=12 | N=87 |
| Caregiver Supports Primary Caregiver/Biological Parent/Legal Caregiver and Sibling Visits | 87% | 92% | 78% | 50% | 100% | 80% | 85% | 92% | 85% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

² Percentages relate to those who answered a 4 or 5 on a five point scale where 5 equaled "Very Well"

³ One case either answered "N/A" for the following questions or did not answer at all and was not included in the total.

⁴ Two cases either answered "N/A" for the following questions or did not answer at all and were not included in the total.

⁵ Two cases either answered "N/A" for the following questions or did not answer at all and were not included in the total.

⁶ Three cases either answered "N/A" for the following questions or did not answer at all and were not included in the total.

Table 19-b: How Well Current Caregiver Meets Child's Need by Section (Children in Relative/Kin Care)^{1 2}

| | Central | Diamond Head | Leeward | Special Services | Kauai | West Hawaii | East Hawaii | Maui | Total |
|---|---------|--------------|---------|------------------|-------|-------------|-------------|------|-------|
| Child's Needs | N=19 | N=31 | N=59 | N=4 | N=4 | N=16 | N=13 | N=19 | N=165 |
| Caregiver Responds to Child's Cries of Distress | 100% | 90% | 97% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 95% | 96% |
| Caregiver Ensures Child is Clean | 100% | 87% | 95% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 95% | 95% |
| Caregiver Provides Stimulation by Talking to Child | 100% | 90% | 97% | 100% | 100% | 94% | 100% | 94% | 96% |
| Caregiver Provides a Safe and Clean Place to Sleep | 95% | 90% | 97% | 100% | 100% | 94% | 100% | 100% | 96% |
| Caregiver Ensures Child's Medical Needs Are Met | 100% | 87% | 93% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 95% | 95% |
| Caregiver Relates in Positive Ways to Child | 100% | 90% | 97% | 100% | 100% | 94% | 100% | 100% | 97% |
| Child's Needs ³ | N=19 | N=30 | N=59 | N=4 | N=4 | N=16 | N=13 | N=19 | N=164 |
| Child Receives Regular Meals | 100% | 87% | 98% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 97% |
| Child's Needs ⁴ | N=19 | N=31 | N=59 | N=4 | N=4 | N=15 | N=13 | N=18 | N=164 |
| Child Receives Nutritious Meals | 100% | 87% | 98% | 100% | 100% | 94% | 100% | 94% | 96% |
| Child's Needs ⁵ | N=19 | N=30 | N=58 | N=4 | N=4 | N=15 | N=12 | N=19 | N=161 |
| Caregiver Supports Primary Caregiver/Biological Parent/Legal Caregiver and Sibling Visits | 100% | 87% | 88% | 50% | 100% | 93% | 100% | 100% | 92% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

² Percentages relate to those who answered a 4 or 5 on a five point scale where 5 equaled "Very Well"

³ One case either answered "N/A" for the following questions or did not answer at all and was not included in the total.

⁴ One case either answered "N/A" for the following questions or did not answer at all and was not included in the total.

⁵ Two cases either answered "N/A" for the following questions or did not answer at all and were not included in the total.

Survey Table 20: Support Services Needed, Available, Utilized and Reason Not Utilized by Section¹

| | Central N=50 | Diamond Head N=58 | Leeward N=89 | Special Services N=6 | Kauai N=9 | West Hawaii N=23 | East Hawaii N=30 | Maui N=38 | Total N=303 |
|---|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Respite Needed | 20% | 17% | 28% | - | - | 22% | 73% | 16% | 26% |
| | N=10 | N=10 | N=25 | N=0 | N=0 | N=5 | N=22 | N=6 | N=78 |
| Respite Available | 100% | 100% | 96% | N/A | N/A | 100% | 100% | 100% | 99% |
| Respite Utilized | 80% | 90% | 80% | N/A | N/A | 40% | 100% | 100% | 86% |
| <i>Reason Respite Not Utilized Own Resources N=9</i> | 100% | 100% | 75% | N/A | N/A | 100% | N/A | N/A | 89% |
| Financial Needed | 92% | 72% | 71% | 83% | 89% | 87% | 100% | 97% | 83% |
| | N=46 | N=42 | N=62 | N=5 | N=8 | N=23 | N=30 | N=37 | N=250 |
| Financial Available | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Financial Utilized | 100% | 95% | 98% | 80% | 100% | 83% | 100% | 97% | 98% |
| <i>Reason Financial Not Utilized Own Resources N=1</i> | N/A | α | α | α | N/A | α | N/A | 100% | 100% |
| Clothing Needed | 96% | 97% | 77% | 83% | 78% | 87% | 100% | 89% | 88% |
| | N=48 | N=56 | N=70 | N=5 | N=7 | N=20 | N=30 | N=34 | N=268 |
| Clothing Available | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Clothing Utilized | 96% | 93%% | 99% | 80% | 100% | 95% | 100% | 100% | 97%% |
| <i>Reason Clothing Not Utilized Own Resources N=2</i> | 100% | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | 100% |
| Medical/Dental Needed | 100% | 90% | 85% | 83% | 89% | 100% | 100% | 89% | 92% |
| | N=50 | N=52 | N=76 | N=5 | N=8 | N=23 | N=30 | N=34 | N=278 |
| Medical/Dental Available | 100% | 98% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Medical/Dental Utilized | 98% | 92% | 97%% | 80% | 100% | 96%% | 100% | 94% | 97% |
| <i>Reason Medical/Dental Not Utilized Own Resources</i> | 100% | - | α | α | N/A | α | N/A | α | 50% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

Survey Table 20: Support Services Needed, Available, Utilized and Reason Not Utilized by Section, Continued

| | Central N=50 | Diamond Head N=58 | Leeward N=89 | Special Services N=6 | Kauai N=9 | West Hawaii N=23 | East Hawaii N=30 | Maui N=38 | Total N=303 |
|---|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Transportation Needed | 70% | 40% | 34% | 33% | 33% | 61% | 77% | 16% | 45% |
| | N=35 | N=23 | N=30 | N=2 | N=3 | N=14 | N=23 | N=6 | N=136 |
| Transportation Available | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Transportation Utilized | 94% | 83% | 70% | 50% | 100% | 78% | 100% | 83% | 85% |
| <i>Reason Transportation Not Utilized – Own Resources N=16</i> | 100% | 66% | 100% | α | N/A | 100% | N/A | 100% | 94% |
| FP Support Services Needed | 28% | 17% | 26% | 50% | - | 26% | 33% | 21% | 24% |
| | N=14 | N=10 | N=23 | N=3 | N=0 | N=6 | N=10 | N=8 | N=74 |
| Support Services Available | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | N/A | 83% | 100% | 88% | 97% |
| Support Services Utilized | 93% | 80% | 74% | 33% | N/A | 83% | 100% | 38% | 77% |
| <i>Reason Support Services Not Utilized – Own Resources N=10</i> | 100% | α | 100% | α | N/A | α | N/A | 100% | 100% |
| Home-Based Services Needed | 24% | 26% | 15% | - | - | 9% | 23% | 26% | 19% |
| | N=12 | N=15 | N=13 | N=0 | N=0 | N=2 | N=7 | N=10 | N=59 |
| Home-Based Services Available | 100% | 100% | 69% | N/A | N/A | 100% | 100% | 100% | 93% |
| Home-Based Services Utilized | 92% | 73% | 69% | N/A | N/A | 100% | 100% | 90% | 83% |
| <i>Reason Home-Based Services Not Utilized – Own Resources N=6</i> | 100% | 50% | 50% | N/A | N/A | N/A | NA/ | - | 50% |
| Parent Skills Training Needed | 24% | 31% | 18% | 50% | - | 13% | 7% | 13% | 19% |
| | N=12 | N=18 | N=16 | N=3 | N=0 | N=3 | N=2 | N=5 | N=59 |
| Parent Skills Training Available | 100% | 100% | 94% | 66% | N/A | 100% | 100% | 80% | 95% |
| Parent Skills Training Utilized | 100% | 83% | 88% | 66% | N/A | 100% | 100% | 80% | 88% |
| <i>Reason Parent Skills Training Not Utilized – Own Resources N=3</i> | N/A | - | 100% | α | N/A | N/A | N/A | α | 33% |

Survey Table 20: Support Services Needed, Available, Utilized and Reason Not Utilized by Section, Continued

| | Central N=50 | Diamond Head N=58 | Leeward N=89 | Special Services N=6 | Kauai N=9 | West Hawaii N=23 | East Hawaii N=30 | Maui N=38 | Total N=303 |
|---|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Day Care/Child Care Needed | 14% | 17% | 25% | 17% | 0% | 30% | 50% | 24% | 23% |
| | N=7 | N=10 | N=22 | N=1 | N=0 | N=7 | N=15 | N=9 | N=71 |
| Day Care/Child Care Available | 100% | 90% | 82% | α | N/A | 100% | 100% | 89% | 90% |
| Day Care/Child Care Utilized | 14% | 70% | 50% | α | N/A | 43% | 100% | 78% | 62% |
| <i>Reason Day Care/Child Care Not Utilized – Own Resources N=21</i> | 100% | 100% | 63% | α | N/A | 75% | N/A | 100% | 81% |
| Difficulty of Care Needed | 16% | 19% | 18% | 17% | - | 30% | 3% | 18% | 17% |
| | N=8 | N=11 | N=16 | N=1 | N=0 | N=7 | N=1 | N=7 | N=51 |
| Difficulty of Care Available | 100% | 100% | 88% | α | N/A | 100% | 100% | 57% | 88% |
| Difficulty of Care Utilized | 75% | 82% | 44% | α | N/A | 86% | 100% | 57% | 65% |
| <i>Reason Difficulty of Care Not Utilized – Own Resources N=8</i> | 100% | α | 50% | α | N/A | α | N/A | α | 63% |
| Counseling Needed | 16% | 17% | 17% | 33% | - | 9% | 10% | 11% | 15% |
| | N=8 | N=10 | N=15 | N=2 | N=0 | N=2 | N=3 | N=4 | N=44 |
| Counseling Available | 75% | 100% | 93% | 100% | N/A | 100% | 100% | 75% | 82% |
| Counseling Utilized | 50% | 80% | 93% | 100% | N/A | 100% | 100% | 75% | 82% |
| <i>Reason Counseling Not Utilized – Own Resources N=6</i> | 100% | 50% | α | N/A | N/A | N/A | N/A | α | 83% |

α Data missing. Respondent(s) did not answer.

Survey Table 20-a: Support Services Needed (Children in General License Care)¹

| | Central N=22 | Diamond Head N=14 | Kauai N=2 | West Hawaii N=5 | Leeward N=18 | Special Services N=2 | East Hawaii N=14 | Maui N=13 | Total N=90 |
|--|-----------------|-------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|------------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Respite Needed | 27% | 29% | - | 40% | 28% | - | 79% | 23% | 34% |
| Financial Needed | 95% | 64% | 100% | 100% | 72% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 88% |
| Clothing Needed | 95% | 93% | 50% | 100% | 83% | 100% | 100% | 92% | 92% |
| Medical/Dental Needed | 100% | 93% | 100% | 100% | 83% | 100% | 100% | 92% | 94% |
| Transportation Needed | 68% | 57% | - | 80% | 61% | 50% | 79% | 23% | 59% |
| Foster Parent Support Services Needed | 27% | 29% | - | 40% | 50% | 100% | 43% | 38% | 38% |
| Home-Based Services Needed | 23% | 21% | - | - | 28% | - | 21% | 31% | 22% |
| Parent Skills Training Needed | 23% | 36% | - | - | 17% | 50% | - | - | 16% |
| Day Care/Child Care Needed | 9% | 14% | - | - | 22% | 50% | 36% | 15% | 18% |
| Difficulty of Care Needed | 18% | 7% | - | - | 39% | - | 21% | - | 17% |
| Counseling Needed | 5% | - | - | - | 11% | - | - | 8% | 4% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

Survey Table 20-b: Support Services Needed (Children in Relative/Kin Care)¹

| | Central N=19 | Diamond Head N=31 | Kauai N=4 | West Hawaii N=16 | Leeward N=59 | Special Services N=2 | East Hawaii N=13 | Maui N=19 | Total N=165 |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|--------------|------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Respite Needed | 11% | 6% | - | 19% | 27% | - | 69% | 16% | 21% |
| Financial Needed | 95% | 64% | 100% | 100% | 72% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 88% |
| Clothing Needed | 95% | 94% | 75% | 81% | 85% | 75% | 100% | 89% | 88% |
| Medical/Dental Needed | 100% | 87% | 75% | 100% | 90% | 75% | 100% | 95% | 92% |
| Transportation Needed | 68% | 29% | 25% | 56% | 24% | 25% | 77% | 5% | 35% |
| FP Support Services Needed | 21% | 16% | - | 19% | 19% | 25% | 15% | 11% | 17% |
| Home-Based Services Needed | 16% | 39% | - | 13% | 10% | - | 15% | 26% | 18% |
| Parent Skills Training Needed | 21% | 13% | - | 38% | 27% | - | 62% | 37% | 27% |
| Day Care/Child Care Needed | 5% | 6% | - | 25% | 7% | - | - | 21% | 9% |
| Difficulty of Care Needed | 18% | 7% | - | - | 39% | - | 21% | - | 17% |
| Counseling Needed | 21% | 29% | - | 13% | 14% | 50% | - | 21% | 18% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

Survey Table 21: Current Placement Contested and by Whom by Section¹

| | Central N=50 | Diamond Head N=58 | Leeward N=89 | Special Services N=6 | Kauai N=9 | West Hawaii N=23 | East Hawaii N=30 | Maui N=38 | Total N=303 |
|--|-----------------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|--------------|------------------------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| % Current Placement Contested in Court | 18% | 17% | 1% | - | - | - | 3% | 11% | 8% |
| Person Contesting Current Placement ² | N=9 | N=10 | N=1 | N=0 | N=0 | N=0 | N=1 | N=4 | N=25 |
| Biological Mother | 89% | 70% | 100% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 100% | 100% | 84% |
| Biological Father | 67% | 50% | 100% | N/A | N/A | N/A | 100% | 25% | 56% |
| Child-Specific Kin | - | 10% | - | N/A | N/A | N/A | - | - | 4% |
| Non-Licensed Kin | 11% | - | - | N/A | N/A | N/A | - | - | 4% |
| GAL/Attorney | - | 10% | - | N/A | N/A | N/A | - | 25% | 8% |
| DHS | - | 10% | - | N/A | N/A | N/A | - | - | 4% |
| Other ^{3 4} | 33% | - | - | N/A | N/A | N/A | - | - | 12% |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

² There were no responses of "Current Foster Parent," "Former Foster Parent," "GAL/ Attorney," "VGAL," or "Service Provider."

³ Other included "Step-father," "Maternal Grandmother," "Maternal Grandmother"

⁴ Columns add up to more than 100% because respondents could select more than one answer.

Survey Table 22: Ways Concurrent Planning Addressed in Court Hearing by Section¹

| | Central N=50 | Diamond Head N=58 | Kauai N=9 | West Hawaii N=23 | Leeward N=89 | Special Services N=6 | East Hawaii N=30 | Maui N=38 | Total N=303 |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|--------------|------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|------------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Judicial Inquiry | 6% | 24% | - | - | 25% | - | 33% | 8% | 17% |
| Testimony | 8% | 10% | 11% | - | 11% | - | 3% | 24% | 10% |
| Written Safe Home Report | 80% | 86% | 67% | 91% | 69% | 100% | 87% | 84% | 80% |
| Guardian Ad Litem | 18% | - | - | 35% | 42% | 83% | 43% | 53% | 39% |
| Not Addressed | 6% | 12% | 11% | - | 30% | - | 75% | 13% | 15% |
| Permanency Plan | - | 2% | - | - | 1% | - | - | 3% | 1% |
| Voluntary Family Maintenance Case | - | - | 11% | 9% | 2% | - | 7% | 8% | 3% |
| No Court Involvement | 4% | 2% | 11% | - | 1% | - | - | - | 2% |
| Kin Placement | - | 9% | - | - | 1% | - | - | - | 2% |
| Ohana | 10% | - | - | 4% | 1% | - | - | - | 2% |
| Pre-hearing | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3% | - |
| Case Closed | 2% | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Moderated Family Meeting | 2% | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Multi-Disciplinary Team | - | 2% | - | - | - | - | - | - | - |
| Drug Court | 8% | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1% |
| Court Order ² | - | - | - | - | - | - | 3% | - | - |

¹ Children aged 0-3 in placement longer than 45 days between October 1, 2005 and September 30, 2006.

² Columns add up to more than 100% because respondents could select more than one answer.

Appendix C

Summary of DHS Staff Review of Survey Data – March 9, 2007 Meeting.

DHS Staff Review of Data

On March 9, 2007, a meeting with selected DHS staff was organized to provide an opportunity for DHS staff to review the survey data. 75 staff representatives from all sections (cross Island) including line child welfare workers, supervisors, administrators and DHS program staff met to review the data, discuss the implications of the data and to make practice related recommendations based on the data. After discussing the data, DHS staff identified issues raised by the data, additional questions, and developed recommendations for future action.

A. Identified Issues:

- a. Assessment - including issues related to appropriateness, same risk present in prior investigations, interaction of risk factors.
- b. Engagement of families in service - by DHS staff and providers
- c. Service Array - lack of services, whether services are appropriate and/or accessible, need for early intervention and ongoing monitoring and support services, lack of housing, transportation, foster homes
- d. Sibling Connection - need to improve sibling connection
- e. Cultural Competence - need for culturally appropriate and competent services – providers and DHS staff, over-representation of Native Hawaiian and part-Hawaiian children and families
- f. Visitation Procedures - need to develop different procedures for children to visit incarcerated families, and procedures to increase visits between children and biological caregivers when placed in general licensed foster care

B. Areas Needing Further Research:

- a. Family Involvement in Decision-Making - (e.g., clarify nature and extent of involvement, family resistance to providing names for relatives, father involvement)
- b. Sensitivity of Caregivers - the data in this report based on limited contact of social worker with caregiver