

43092. Child Well-Being Health and Education Tracking

Child Health and Education Tracking (CHET) is designed to identify and organize essential and appropriate information about the well-being of all children in the care or custody of Children's Administration (CA). The purpose is to assess the current well-being, and identify long-term needs of children in CA's care or custody. Well-being factors include physical health; development; social, family and community connections; education and emotional/behavioral health.

- A. At the time of placement, the assigned social worker has primary responsibility to:
 1. Document information regarding the child's well-being on the Child Information/Placement Referral form (DSHS Form 15-300) within the first 24 to 72 hours after placement. See CA Practice and Procedure Manual, chapter 4000, section 4413, B.1.a.
 2. Provide a copy of the Child Information/Placement Referral Form (DSHS Form 15-300) and the placement agreement with the child's caregiver.
 3. Complete a new Child Information/Placement Referral Form at each placement change and when additional information is obtained.
- B. Child Health and Education Screening Process
 1. Children under the legal authority of CA, who are expected to remain in care for 30 days or more, are to receive a well-being screening.
 2. The Child Health and Education well-being screening will be completed within 30 days of the child's Original Placement Date (OPD) as required by RCW 74.14A.050.
 3. The screening specialist makes referrals in accordance with the CHET Practice Guide.
 - a. The screening specialist immediately notifies the assigned social worker when a CHET required screening tool indicates a mental health referral or when other mental health concerns are identified.
 - b. The screening specialist makes a referral for all children birth to three-years-old to an Infant and Toddler Early Intervention Program (ITEIP) within two working days when a concern about the child's developmental delay is identified during the screening process. Referrals will be made in accordance with each region's ITEIP protocol. Children ages birth to three who are under CA's legal authority may also be referred for an ITEIP assessment by the assigned social worker any time there is a concern about the child's development. See CA Practices and Procedure Manual, chapter 4000, section 4224 (F).
 - c. The screening specialist makes a referral for services to the Foster Care Public Health Nurse (FCPHN) for all children identified through the Child Health and Education screening process who have complex health needs.

4. The Child Health and Education Screening Report will be provided to the child's assigned social worker and caregiver within five working days of completion.