

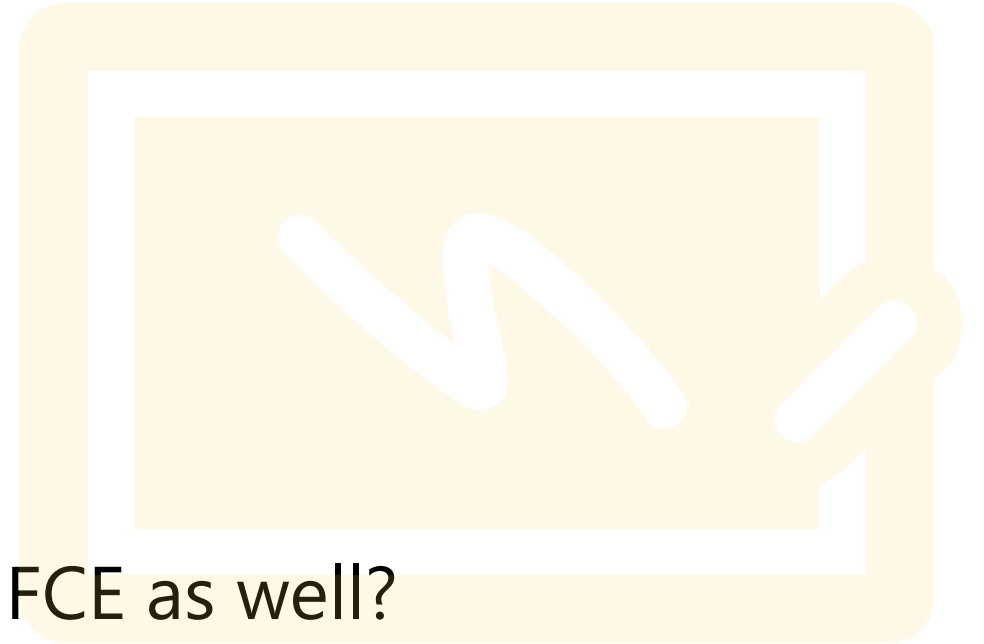


Dual Status Youth Initiative



Frequently Asked Questions

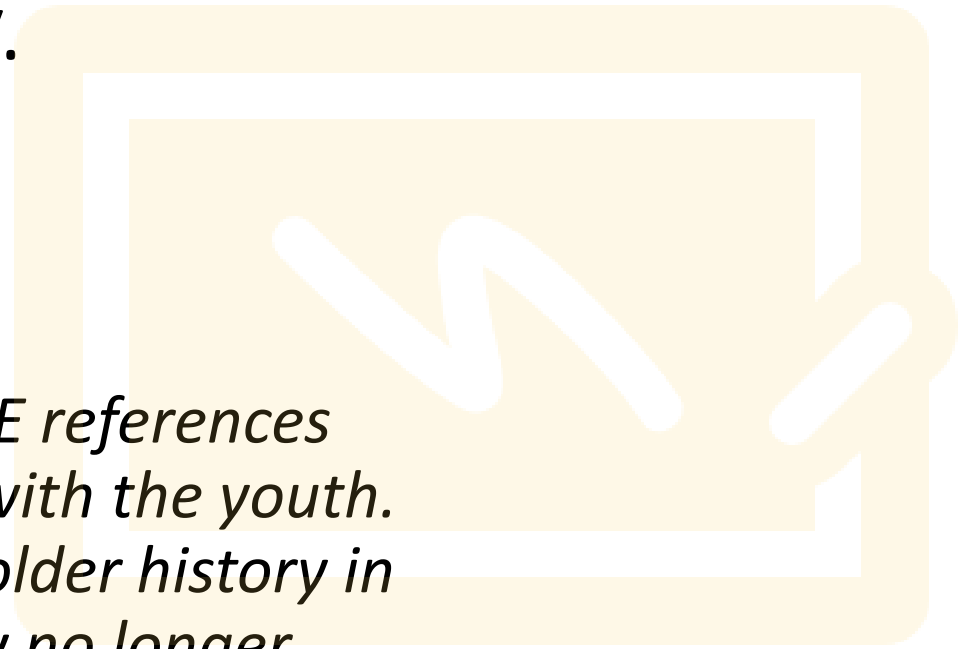
- Is this actually my case?
- Is the MDT survey used for FCE as well?
- Should I still hold an MDT if... ?
- How do I complete the test screen?



The case manager listed in the FRAME file never worked as a CPS worker in our county. How should I proceed?



Answer: *The data pull from FRAME references the case worker who last worked with the youth. If it is an Identified youth with an older history in child welfare, the case worker may no longer work for the county. In this instance please work with the county to discuss history of the youth.*



I was sent a case cited in my district, but the youth does not reside in my area. They are listed in CMS as residing in a different county. Who should take the case?

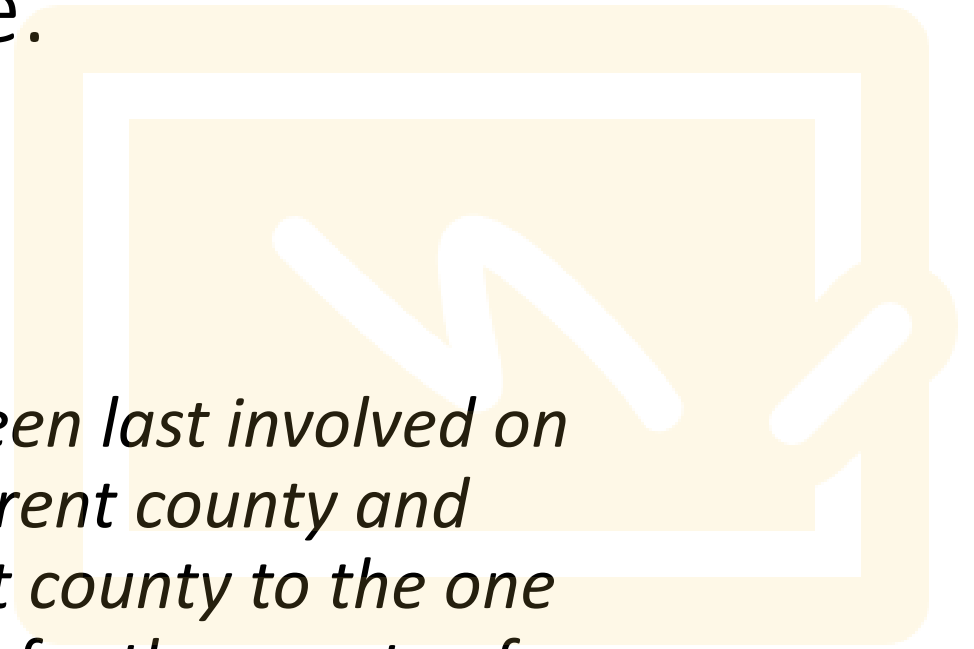


Answer: *The youth was likely cited in your district while residing in a different district. We suggest you contact the last JCO who worked with the youth to discuss how to move forward and what makes most sense as to which district proceeds with the case call.*

I received a DSY notification on a youth that was never cited in my area and does not reside here. How should I proceed?



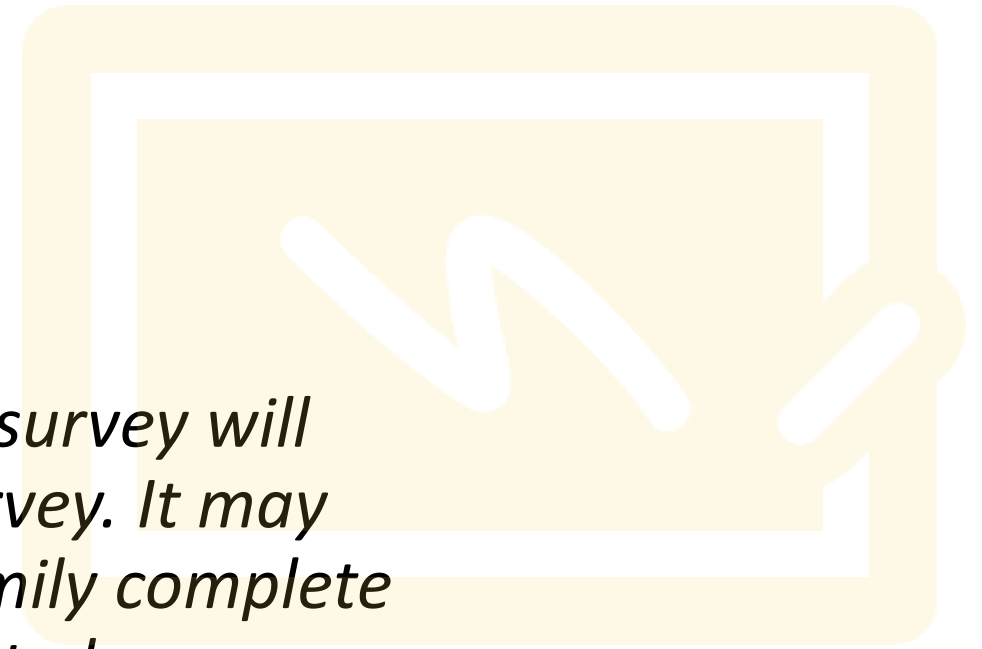
Answer: *The youth may have been last involved on the social services side in a different county and may then have moved from that county to the one he was cited in. Contact the JCO for the county of his/her residence as listed in CMS.*



Will the MDT post meeting report survey replace the FCE meeting survey that Village Family Services has each parent/guardian complete?



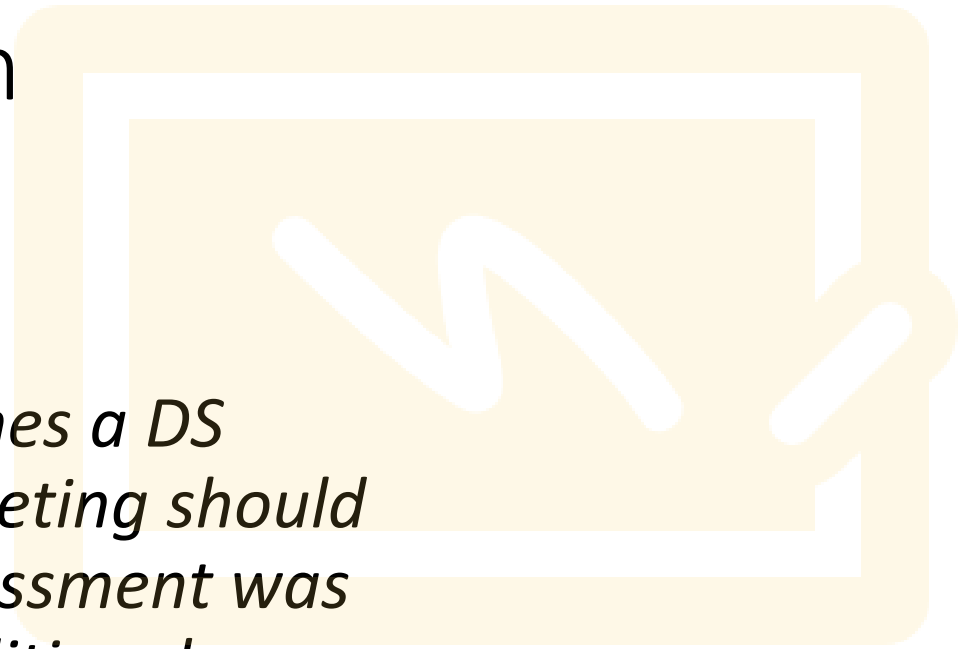
Answer: *No. The MDT meeting survey will not replace the FCE meeting survey. It may seem redundant to have the family complete two surveys, but it is important to have consistent data during the initial 6-month evaluation phase.*



CPS has terminated the involved youth's assessment just prior to the child's court involvement. Is it still necessary have to hold an MDT or FCE meeting?



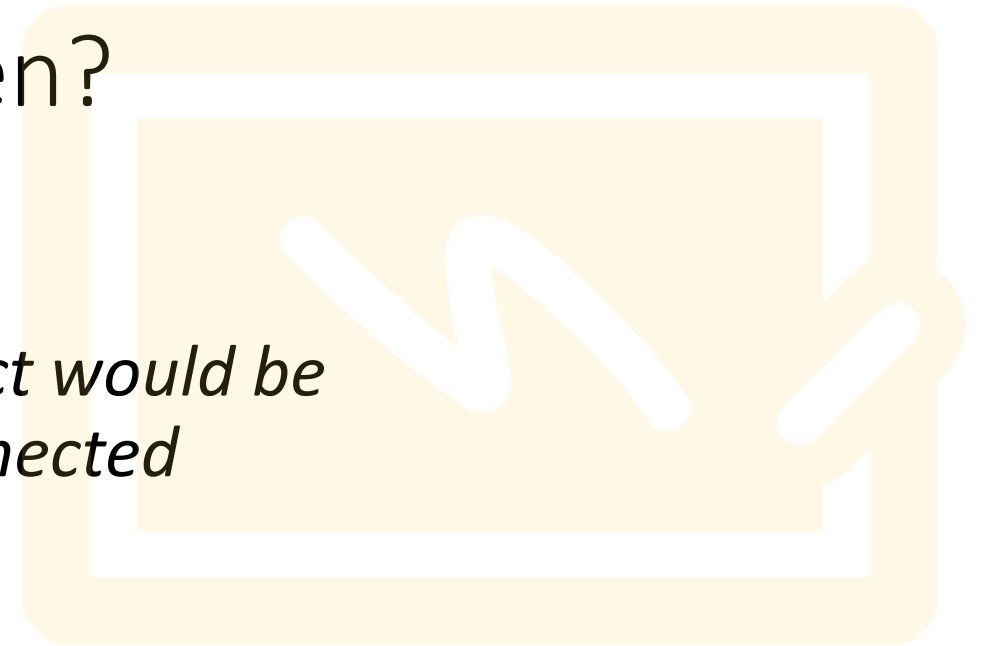
Answer: *Any time a child becomes a DS Involved Youth, an MDT/FCE meeting should still be held –even if a prior assessment was terminated. It may bring up additional information that may be useful in helping that child/family.*



What do I put in the Date of Initial Contact field of the test screen?



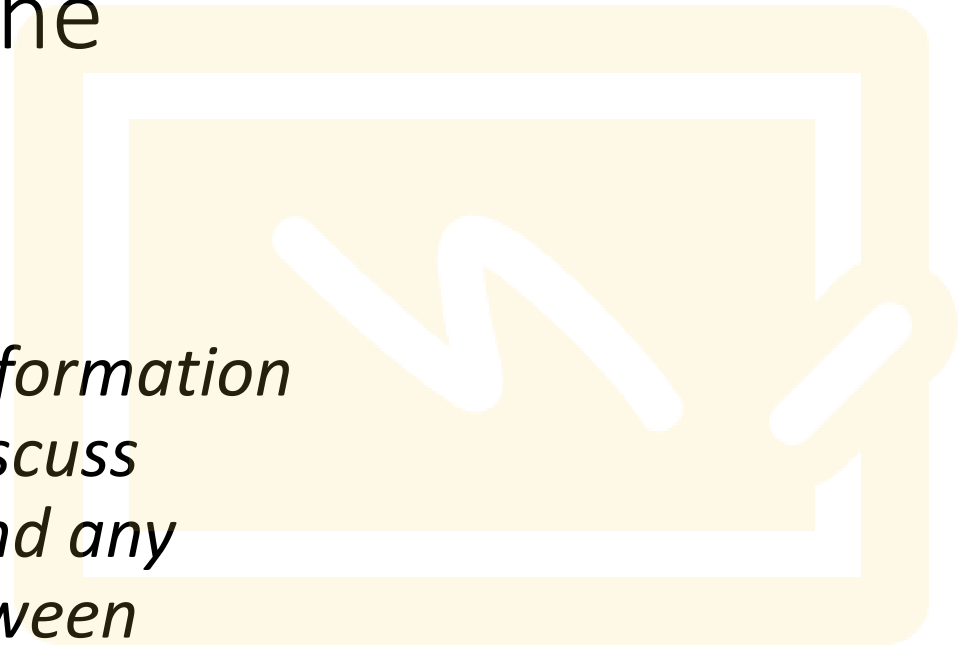
Answer: *The date of initial contact would be the first time Courts and CPS connected regarding the case.*



What should I put in the “Was Information Shared” field of the test screen?



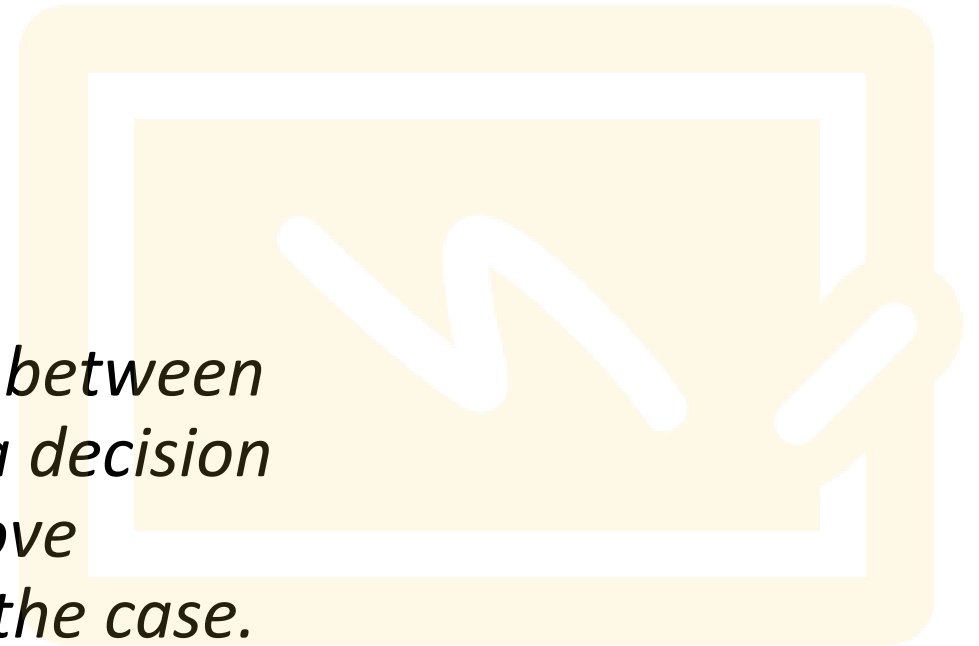
Answer: *This is asking whether information was shared between parties to discuss whether or not to hold an MDT and any other information exchanged between Courts and CPS.*



What does “Was Information Useful” in Making a Decision mean in the test screen?



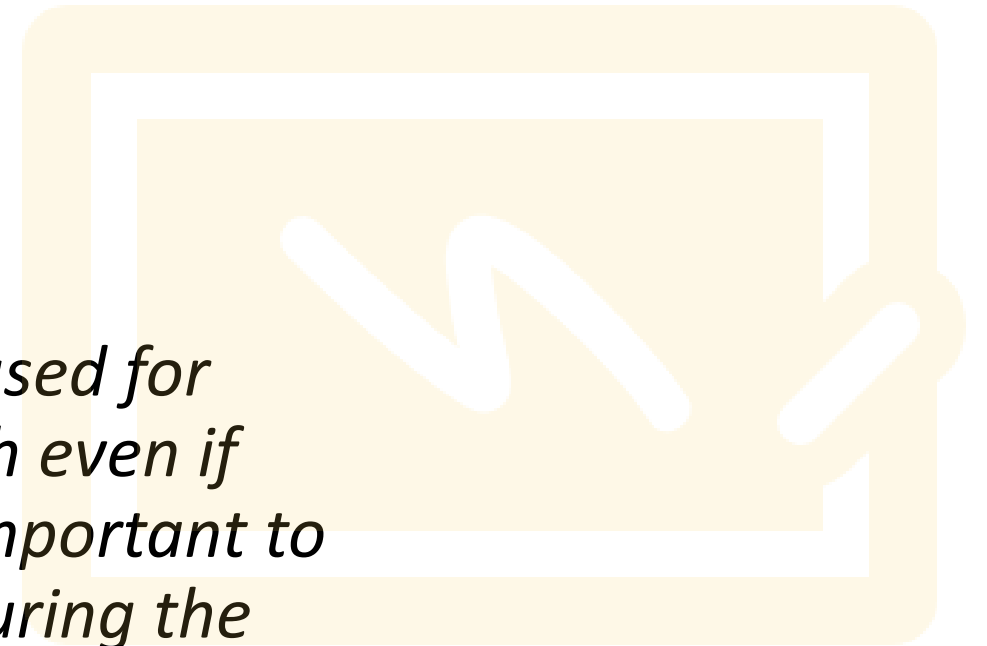
Answer: *Was shared information between Courts and CPS useful in making a decision to hold an MDT, clarify how to move forward, or helpful in addressing the case.*



When do we use the test screen?



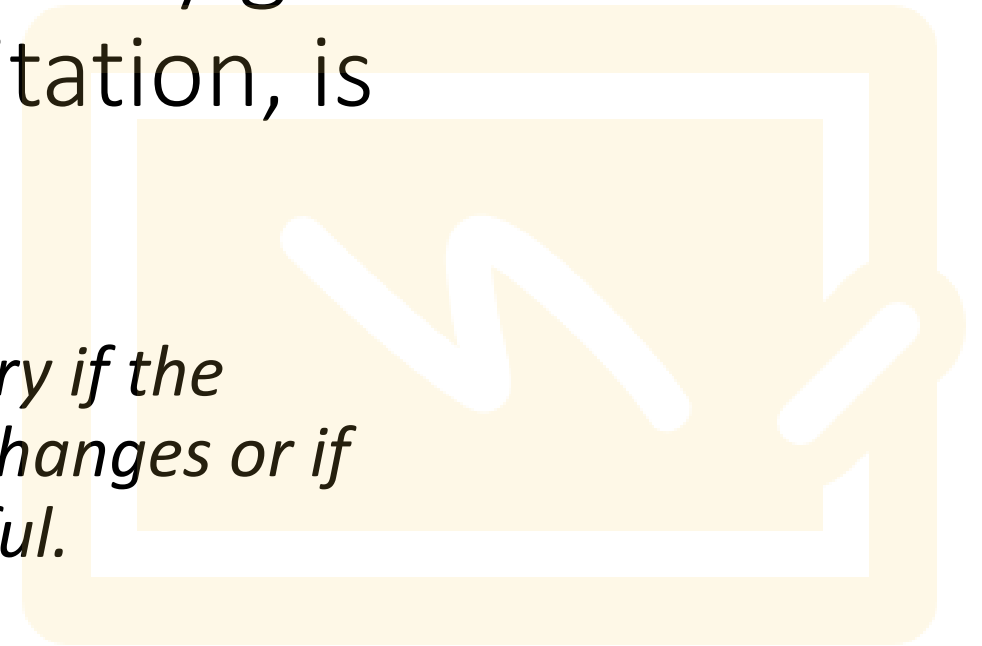
Answer: *The test screen is to be used for both identified and involved youth even if they have not had an MDT. It is important to capture data from both groups during the evaluation period.*



If a child is under custody of social services or in placement, and they get a new Juvenile Court referral/citation, is an MDT required?



Answer: *Yes. An MDT is mandatory if the court is having a hearing on the changes or if any party thinks it would be helpful.*



Can an initial Child and Family Team meeting be used in place of an MDT if held within proper timelines (7-12 days) similar to that of an FCE?



Answer: *Possibly. When a formal FCE is not available or the MDT is considered duplication, a Child and Family Team (CFT) meeting could be used so long as all stakeholders are engaged and present. We caution against simply replacing the MDT meeting with CFTM in certain instances as the family may not want all the players in both meetings.*

In one place I read the MDT meeting applies to Foster Care, but this is contrary to the training power point.

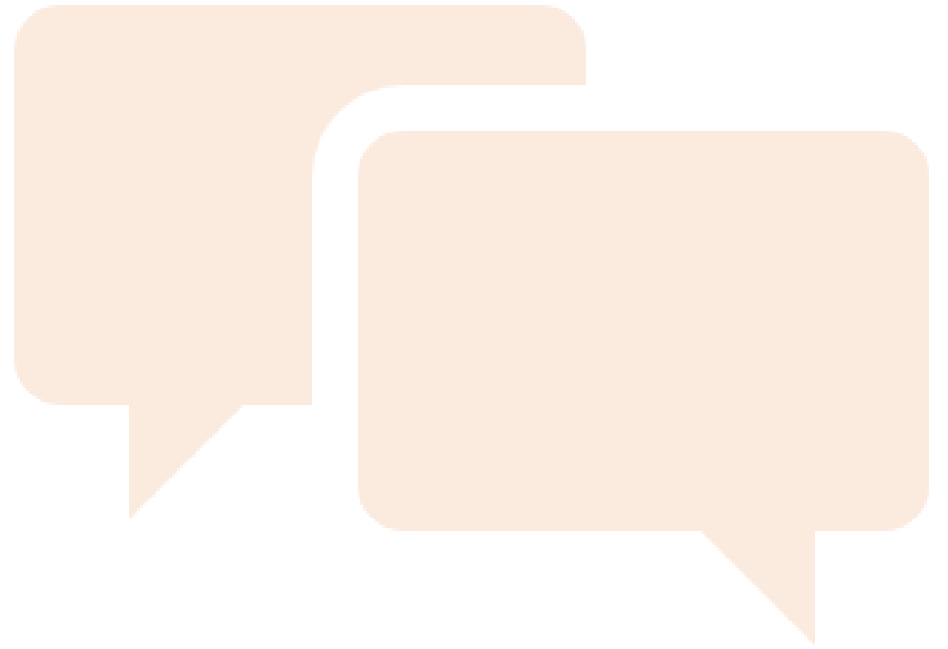


Answer: *An FCE cannot be used for kids currently in foster care so areas with FCE would use MDT for kids already in foster care that become dually involved. The FCE model is diversion, so if a foster youth is charged on your caseload, an FCE is not an option. However, an MDT would circle up to address the new concern.*



Reminders & Open Discussion

- What if CPS is in process of closing the case?
- What is the child is in foster care?





Thank you!

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