



Policy and Procedure

We are supposed to be doing that?

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MAJOR OBJECTIVES



“Youth who exit out-of-home care will live successfully as adults”

BUILD AND MAINTAIN PERMANENT RELATIONSHIPS

ACHIEVE SKILLS NECESSARY TO TRANSITION

TO ADULTHOOD

BUILD ON YOUTH’S STRENGTHS AND DEVELOP ASSETS

SELF-SUFFICIENCY

It is possible to provide these services to all TAL age youth even if they are not in custody.
These youth will not be eligible for Chaffee funds.

Permanency Planning

Permanency planning, which includes helping the youth find and make enduring connections, should be a PRIMARY CONCERN of the caseworker.

“It means having your side of the church full when you get married.”

(Youth Presenter, Iowa Permanency Forum 2005).

“It means having the key to the house.”

(Youth Participant, NCWRCYD) Youth Permanency Forum 1999).

“It means having your picture on the wall in someone’s house.”

(Youth Narrator, Minnesota Adoption Exchange Video 2005).



- TAL FOCUS AREAS

- Education and Career

- Housing and Money Management

- Home Life / Daily Living

- Self-Care / Health Education

- Communication / Social Relationships / Family & Marriage



RESULTS OF THE CLSA ARE USED TO ASSIST THE TEAM AND CW IN PLANNING THESE SPECIFIC SERVICES THE YOUTH NEEDS.

Encourage the youth to be a part of regional / state councils.



Youth can be the voice between the system and foster care youth by educating, supporting, and advocating for change.



Opportunities for leadership

YOUTH COUNCIL





DEADLINES

CLSA -45 DAYS BEFORE OR AFTER YOUTH'S BIRTHDAY AND COMPLETED ANNUALLY.

NYTD -45 DAYS AFTER THEIR 17TH BIRTHDAY. THIS MUST BE ENTERED INTO SAFE WITHIN THOSE 45 DAYS.

PLEASE GET YOUTH EMAILS AND PUT THEM INTO SAFE



AGE 14



Search for family connections

Permanency pact

CLSA / Service Plan

Obtain birth certificate

If more than 1 year behind academically, make a referral to DWS / WIA

AGE 15

Search for family connections

Permanency Pact

CLSA

TAL Plan specific and developmentally appropriately

****Develop a plan to earn and save money / Savings account**

If more than one year behind academically – DWS / WIA referral





AGE 16

Search for family connections

Permanency Pact

Credits current and prep for graduation / alternative plan for GED / Voc Training

Referral to DWS / WIA for education and job supports.

Get a part-time job

Complete drivers' education and attain license

State ID if no license

Basic Life Skills

Facilitate CFTM

Name on Housing Authority List





Search for family connections

Permanency Pact

Credits and prep for graduation or alternative plan

6 months before 18th birthday / Drivers' education class

Applications for college, training, FAFSA, ETV

Referral to DWS / ETV



Enroll youth (DSM diagnosis) to NAMI Bridges for Youth groups

Review credit report and assist with any discrepancies



AGE 17



EXITTING FOSTER CARE

CFTM 90 days prior to exiting FC (Plans updated every 90 days until release)

Work closely with DWS / ETV

Exit plan- personal connections, supportive services, housing, health insurance, vocational and educational goals, workforce supports, and employment.

Healthcare exit with Healthcare coordinator

Complete Medicaid Review / Assist Eligibility worker

Compilation of important documents

Explain aftercare (YARN) services / supportive websites

NYTD explained (incentives as well) when 19 and 21 and gather info

Gather credit report with youth

TRANSITIONAL LIVING NEEDS

- \$\$\$ for-
1. Education, Training, Career Exploration
 2. Physical, Mental Health, and Emotional
 3. Transportation
 4. Housing

** All designed to be apart of the youth's plan and become successful adults.

** These funds cannot be used for items that would be a part of the FC maintenance- room and board, rent, groceries, utilities, etc. Can use SNM for emergency rent.



TAL Placements



CRITERIA:

At least 16

Approved by region director or designee

Assessment of appropriateness / stability

Maintain stable employment

ETV / DWS involvement

ILP placement in SAFE

TYPES OF LIVING ARRANGEMENTS:

Kin

Former FC home while paying rent

Community w/ roommates of the same sex

Alone

Group facility, YWCA, boarding house, or dorm

Approved BCI adult or approved by designee

**Contract must be made outlining budget, safety, contact with CW, and keeping appointments.

**CW must visit 2x a month



YARN

Time limited support for those eligible.

Eligibility- Must have exited care and be under 21, and the youth:

1. Exited FC at age 18 or
2. While in FC, after age 14, received 12 months of TAL services and the court terminated reunification.

Yearly maximum of \$2000



RESOURCES

Just for Youth

<http://justforyouth.utah.gov/>

Utah Futures

<https://utahfutures.org/>

The National Resource Center for Youth Development

<http://www.nrcyd.ou.edu/>

The Family and Youth Services Bureau's National
Clearinghouse on Families and Youth

<http://ncfy.acf.hhs.gov/>

Foster Club

<https://www.fosterclub.com/>

