

AGENDA

RESOURCE FAMILY APPROVAL (RFA) KICK OFF

NOVEMBER 13, 2012 FROM 10:30-3:00
CDSS, 744 P ST., OB 9 CONFERENCE ROOM 1804

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|-------------|--|
| 10:30-10:50 | Intro & Welcome – Greg, Jeff and Diana |
| 10:50-11:10 | Historical Perspective – Karen |
| 11:10-11:30 | PowerPoint – Kim and Cathy |
| 11:30-12:30 | Open Discussion - Lisa |
| 12:30-1:30 | Lunch |
| 1:30-2:15 | Break-Out |
| 2:15 – 2:45 | Report Out - Lisa |
| 2:45 – 3:00 | Next Steps / Adjourn |



RFA Purpose Statement

To develop a unified, family friendly, and child centered resource family approval process that eliminates duplication and increases approval standards by incorporating a comprehensive psychosocial evaluation of all families including those that want to foster children, pursue adoption or are seeking guardianship of a child.

Definition of a Resource Family

A “resource family” is an individual or couple that a county determines to have successfully met both the home approval standards and the permanency assessment criteria necessary for providing care for a related or unrelated child who is under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court, or otherwise in the care of a county child welfare agency or probation department.

RFA Program Summary

- A Single Standard Approval Process for Resource Families (w/ two components)
 1. Home Approval Standards
 2. Permanency Assessment

Approval Component 1

Home Approval Standards:

- Criminal Record Clearance
- Building and Grounds Inspection
- Understanding of Children's Rights and Prudent Parenting
- Caregiver Risk Assessment
- Any additional activities deemed necessary

Approval Component 2

Permanency Assessment:

- Caregiver Training
- Psychosocial Evaluation
- Any additional activities deemed necessary to achieve permanency

RFA Program Summary (cont'd)

- Dual Responsibilities
 1. CDSS
 2. County
- Comprehensive Implementation Plan (CIP)
- Data Collection and Report to Legislature

RFA Executive Advisory Team
CDSS Deputies · Branch Chiefs · CWDA · CWS Directors

Project Leadership
CDSS/Counties



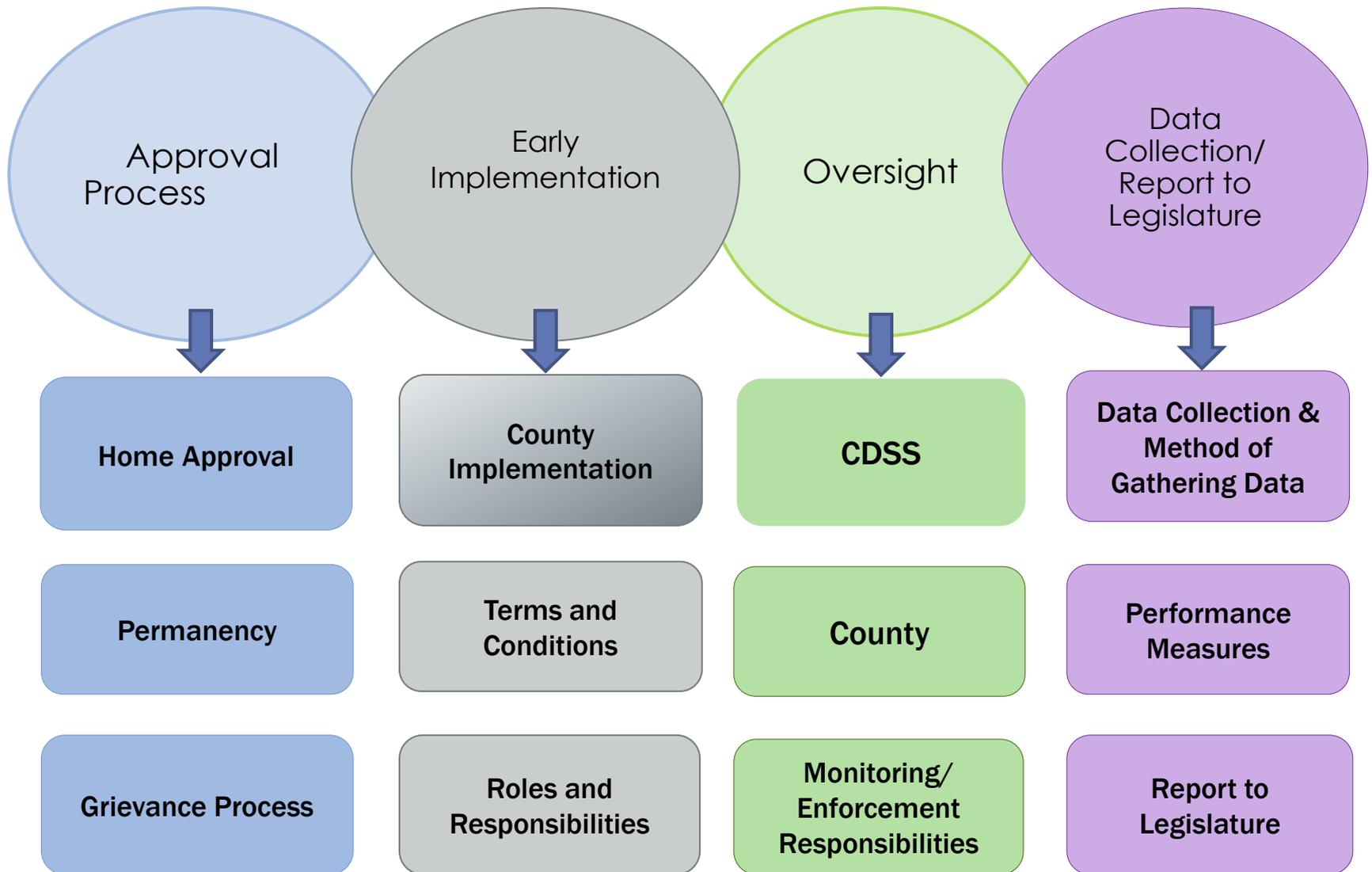
Approval Process

Early Implementation

Oversight

Data Collection/
Report to
Legislature

SUB-WORKGROUPS



BREAK-OUT

Two Sub-Groups:

1. Approval Process
2. Oversight

Today's Goals:

1. Identify Co-Chair and Scribe
2. Complete Roster
3. Logistics – How often to meet (where and when)
4. Discuss Deliverables
5. Identify Possible Resources