



1-844-CO-4-KIDS

Review Evaluate Direct (RED) team



Reports screened in
to determine the potential severity of the case

Referral screened out
Does not meet criteria for abuse/neglect
(Caller may be referred elsewhere)



SIGNIFICANT
Safety concerns exist
Risk is significant
Immediate

MODERATE
Safety concerns and risk are moderate
3 Days

LOW
No safety concerns
Risk is low
5 Working Days

- Meets with everyone at once
- Meets with child victim
- Meets with siblings, parents, collaterals, and others

CPS conducts an assessment



Child welfare or community-based services may be offered to address family needs

No services are required
(Family may be offered prevention services)

Evidence of abuse or neglect:
"Substantiated" or "Founded"

Insufficient evidence of abuse or neglect:
"Unsubstantiated" or "Unfounded"

Low or no risk of future abuse/neglect found

Child has been harmed and a risk of future abuse/neglect or ongoing safety concerns are present

Open court case
through Dependency & Neglect Petition

- Assessment closed**
- Family may be referred for non-court-involved services**
- Case closed**
Risk minimized

Child is placed in out-of-home care
and services are provided to the child and family

Child stays with family
Services are provided to the child and family

Dependency & Neglect court process



48-72 hours
Temporary Custody Hearing—
must be held within 48-72 hours of the date of placement



Dependency and Neglect Petition filed
by county department of human/social services (usually filed at the Temporary Custody Hearing)



60-90 days
Adjudication Hearing—
must be held within 60-90 days of the date of placement depending on the child/youth's age



45 days
Dispositional Hearing—
must be held within 45 days of Adjudication (may be held at the same time as Adjudication)



90 days—every 6 months
Review Hearing—
must be held within 90 days of Disposition and every 6 months thereafter



12 months
Permanency Hearing—
must be held within 12 months of date of placement

Reunification with family

Custody to a relative

Termination of parental rights
and adoption or permanent legal guardianship

Independent living
with permanent family connections



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