

CALIFORNIA'S CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES REVIEW

**California Department of Social
Services**

Children and Family Services Division

PURPOSE

- TO ASSURE COMPLIANCE WITH STATE'S TITLE IV-B AND IV-E PLAN REQUIREMENTS
- TO IDENTIFY STATE'S STRENGTHS AND NEEDS IN ORDER TO:
 - IMPROVE SERVICE DELIVERY
 - CREATE BETTER OUTCOMES FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK

- **COLLABORATION**
- **ACCOUNTABILITY**
- **PROGRAM IMPROVEMENTS**
- **2 - 5 YEAR CYCLE**
- **MULTIPLE INFORMATION SOURCES**
- **TWO DIMENSIONS:**
 - **OUTCOMES FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES**
 - **SYSTEMIC FACTORS**

OUTCOMES FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

OUTCOME AREAS:

- SAFETY
- PERMANENCY
- WELL-BEING

OUTCOMES

SAFETY:

CHILDREN ARE:

- PROTECTED FROM ABUSE AND NEGLECT
- SAFELY MAINTAINED IN THEIR HOMES WHENEVER POSSIBLE

PERMANENCY:

CHILDREN HAVE:

- STABLE LIVING SITUATIONS
- CONTINUITY OF FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS

OUTCOMES

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WELL-BEING:

- ENHANCED FAMILY CAPACITY TO MEET CHILD'S NEEDS
- APPROPRIATE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES
- ADEQUATE PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

7 SYSTEMIC FACTORS

- STATEWIDE INFORMATION SYSTEM
- CASE REVIEW SYSTEM
- QUALITY ASSURANCE SYSTEM
- STAFF TRAINING
- SERVICE ARRAY
- AGENCY RESPONSIVENESS TO THE COMMUNITY
- FOSTER AND ADOPTIVE PARENT RECRUITMENT, LICENSING AND RETENTION

TWO-PHASE REVIEW PROCESS

- STATEWIDE ASSESSMENT
- ONSITE REVIEW

STATEWIDE ASSESSMENT

- COMPLETED 2 MONTHS PRIOR TO ONSITE REVIEW BY STATE AND EXTERNAL PARTNERS
- ASSESSMENT OF OUTCOMES & SYSTEMIC FACTORS
- ANALYSIS OF DATA INDICATORS FOR SAFETY AND PERMANENCY

STATEWIDE DATA INDICATORS

- RECURRENCE OF MALTREATMENT
- INCIDENCE OF ABUSE/NEGLECT IN FOSTER CARE
- FOSTER CARE RE-ENTRIES
- STABILITY OF FOSTER CARE PLACEMENT
- LENGTH OF TIME TO ADOPTION
- LENGTH OF TIME TO REUNIFICATION

ONSITE REVIEW

- **CONDUCTED:**
 - BY STATE/FEDERAL TEAMS
 - DURING WEEK OF **SEPTEMBER 15-20, 2002**
 - SIMULTANEOUSLY IN 3 COUNTIES
- **INTENSIVE REVIEW OF 30-50 CASES**
- **SAMPLE INCLUDES:**
 - IN-HOME & OUT-OF-HOME
 - CHILD WELFARE & PROBATION
- **INCLUDES INTERVIEWS WITH:**
 - PARTICIPANTS IN EACH CASE
 - COUNTY STAKEHOLDERS
 - STATE-LEVEL STAKEHOLDERS

SUBSTANTIAL CONFORMITY

- ACF DETERMINES CONFORMITY FOR 7 OUTCOMES AND 7 SYSTEMIC FACTORS
- BOTH QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE
- OUTCOMES SUBSTANTIALLY ACHIEVED IN 95% OF THE CASES (90% FOR 1ST REVIEW)
- STATEWIDE DATA INDICATORS MEET NATIONAL STANDARDS

PROGRAM IMPROVEMENT PLAN (PIP)

- **DEVELOPED JOINTLY TO ADDRESS AREAS OF NONCONFORMITY**
- **ACF ULTIMATE AUTHORITY OVER CONTENT**
- **PIP TO BE ACHIEVED WITHIN 2 YEARS FOR MOST AREAS; 1 YEAR FOR SAFETY ISSUES**

POTENTIAL PENALTIES

- **ASSESSED AGAINST ENTIRE IV-B AND 10% OF IV-E ADMIN**
- **1% PER OUTCOME AND SYSTEMIC FACTOR;**
 - 14% FIRST YEAR MAXIMUM
 - INCREASES TO 2% AND 3% IN SUBSEQUENT REVIEWS
- **SUSPENDED WHILE STATE IMPLEMENTS APPROVED PIP**
- **RESCINDED IF STATE SUCCEEDS IN ENDING NONCONFORMITY THROUGH PIP**

HOW ARE WE PREPARING?

California's Child and Family Services Review (CFSR) Task Force

Executive Steering Committee
CHHS/CDSS/CWDA/ACF

Steering Committee
CHHS/CWDA/CDSS/UCB/
Probation

Steering Committee

- CWDA Regional Reps
- CHHS
- CDSS:
 - CFSR Managers
 - County Operations
 - FC/Adoption
 - Regional Advisors

Probation
UC Berkeley

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Writing Team

**Site Selection
Proposal Team**

Statewide Assessment Group

7 Systemic Factor Teams

Data Team

Outcome Teams

Onsite Review Group

Los Angeles

County 2 TBA

County 3 TBA

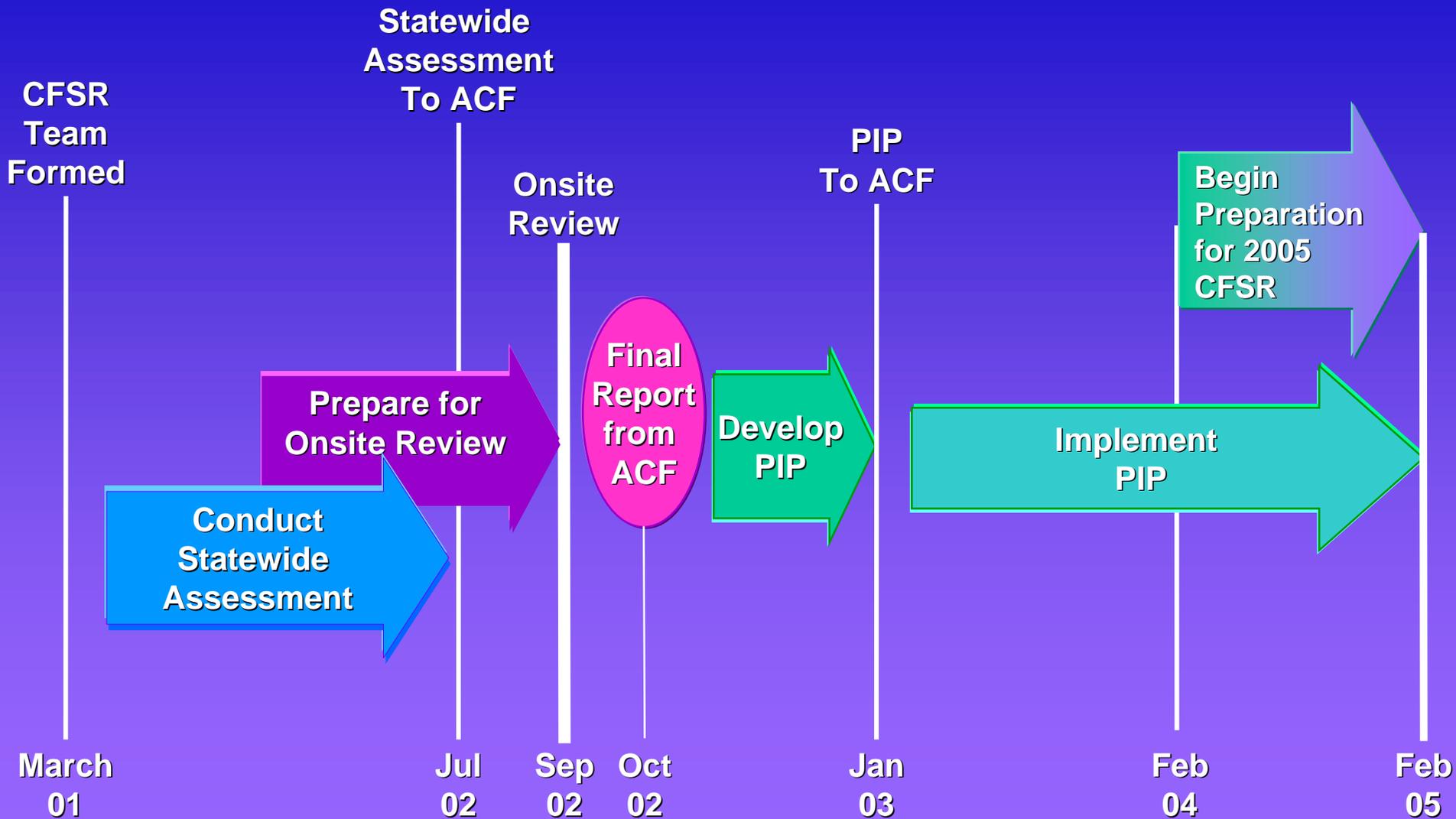
Statewide Assessment Group:

Judicial Council
Indian Child Welfare Act
Probation
CDSS Research & Development Div
CDSS Community Care Licensing
CDSS FC/Adoption
CDSS Children's
CWS/CMS: State & County

Onsite Review Group:

Judicial Council and JRTA
California Welfare Directors Assoc.
CDSS Programs
Probation
ACF Region IX

California's Overall CFSR Timeline





QUESTIONS ?

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