

CFSR
Performance Outcomes, Items, and Data Indicators:

Safety Outcome 1: Children are, first and foremost, protected from abuse and neglect.	
Item 1:	Timeliness of initiating investigations of reports of child maltreatment
Item 2:	Repeat maltreatment
*Data Indicator:	Absence of recurrence of maltreatment
*Data Indicator:	Absence of maltreatment of children in foster care
Safety Outcome 2: Children are safely maintained in their homes whenever possible and appropriate.	
Item 3:	Services to family to protect child(ren) in home and prevent removal or re-entry into foster care.
Item 4:	Risk assessment and safety management.
Permanency Outcome 1: Children have permanency and stability in their living situations.	
Item 5:	Foster care re-entries
Item 6:	Stability of foster care placement
Item 7:	Permanency goal for child
Item 8:	Reunification, guardianship, or permanent placement with relatives
Item 9:	Adoption
Item 10:	Other planned permanent living arrangement
*Permanency Composite 1:	Timeliness and permanency of reunifications
*Permanency Composite 2:	Timeliness of adoptions
*Permanency Composite 3:	Achieving permanency for children in foster care
*Permanency Composite 4:	Placement stability
Permanency Outcome 2: The continuity of family relationships and connections is preserved for children.	
Item 11:	Proximity of foster care placement
Item 12:	Placement with siblings
Item 13:	Visiting with parents and siblings in foster care
Item 14:	Preserving connections
Item 15:	Relative placement
Item 16:	Relationship of child in care with parents
Child and Family Well-Being Outcome 1: Families have enhanced capacity to provide for their children's needs.	
Item 17:	Needs and services of child, parents, and foster parents
Item 18:	Child and family involvement in case planning
Item 19:	Caseworker visits with child
Item 20:	Caseworker visits with parent(s)
Child and Family Well-Being Outcome 2: Children receive appropriate services to meet their educational needs.	
Item 21:	Educational needs of the child
Child and Family Well-Being Outcome 3: Children receive adequate services to meet their physical and mental health needs.	
Item 22:	Physical health of the child
Item 23:	Mental/behavioral health of the child

*For the second round of reviews, the Children's Bureau uses six data indicators to determine substantial conformity with two outcomes. The data indicators include two individual data indicators for Safety Outcome 1 and four data indicators in the form of composites for Permanency Outcome 1. Each of the four composites incorporates one or more components. Components are the general factors that contribute to the composite score. Each component comprises two or more measures. For more information, please see Chapter 5: Determination of Substantial Conformity, Subsection A.2.1. National Standards Used During the Second Round of Reviews (p. 74) of *Child and Family Services Reviews Procedures Manual* @ http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/cb/cwmonitoring/tools_guide/procedures/manual.pdf

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Child & Family Service Review Outcomes (continued)

Questions for Child Welfare Mission Critical Outcomes:

All participants:

Q1: How does this standard help to achieve your assigned outcome?

Group 1: Screening: Outcome S-1, Standard I-A, page 1

Q2: What knowledge and value base do the members of your group already have in place to achieve this standard and outcome? (strengths)

Group 2: Investigation: Outcome S-2, Standard I-C, page 5

Q3: What knowledge and values do the members of your group need to change/tweak in order to achieve this standard and outcome?

Group 3: In-Home Services: Outcome WB-1, Standard I-F, page 11

Q4: Tell how you use one of these benchmarks to measure your own accomplishment of the standard.

Group 4: Placement: Foster Care: Outcome P-2, Standard III-K, page 21

Q5: Tell what strategy (in section 2) you might use to improve your work in this area.

Group 5: Placement-Adoption: Outcome WB-3, Standard III-H, page 15

Q6: Tell what strategy (in section 4) your agency is currently using to improve the agency's work in this area-or if you don't know what is currently in place, which one seems to make the most sense to you based on what you do know?