

Pennsylvania FGDM Outcomes Plan Summary Background and Follow Up Instructions

Purpose:

Assesses the outcomes/results of Family Group Meetings including the goals or objectives of the family plan, with a focus on the following outcomes: Child and Family Service Review-Safety, Permanency and Well-being; Balance and Restorative Justice-community protection, victim restoration and competency development; engagement practices; and cost savings.

Data Collection Type and Timing:

- Plan Summary Part 1 Background: 2 page case review form completed pre and during FGDM meetings by agency/agency designated persons
- Plan Summary Part 2: Follow-up: 2 page case review form completed 6 months following the FGDM meeting (and at 6 months intervals thereafter)

Tool Instructions:

- The statewide FGDM evaluation process focuses on services to children under the age of 21 years. Counties should **not** include FGDM meetings held for anyone over the age of 21 years.
- If more than one child is the focus of a family meeting, select one of the children to be the focus of the form.
- County: enter County where the FGDM meeting was held.
- Form ID: No identifying child or family information should be submitted. A unique identifier using the following format will be used for each case: assigned county code, the year of the FGDM meeting, and a 3 digit number for that particular FGDM conference. The conference numbers should run consecutively for each calendar year beginning January 1st. (Ex: The first FGDM conference held in Cumberland County would be identified as 21-2009-001, the 23rd conference of 2009, Form ID would be 21-2009-023).
- Counties need to maintain a list of identifying information for each Form ID number as the Form ID number will be used to track follow up information at 6 month intervals.
- Placement categories mirror categories utilized in the Pennsylvania Child Permanency Plan.
- Service history includes **ONLY** substantiated cases of child abuse/neglect and criminal offenses. Please check all categories that apply and include dates when the prior incident occurred.
- Completed forms should be submitted on a monthly basis to:
The Pennsylvania Child Welfare Training Program
Re: FGDM Evaluations
403 East Winding Hill Rd.
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055
- Reports will be provided to county child welfare agencies bi-annually.
- Questions can be submitted to Susan Antonacci at sca16@pitt.edu or at (717) 795-9048.