Is the Plan Working?

To be successful, everyone will need to check in regularly to review progress and make sure that the plan is still working or if changes need to be made. The following questions can help you with these decisions.

- Do we have the right plan to accomplish the purpose? If not, what needs to change? How does it need to change? Does anyone else need to approve this change, for example the court or a caseworker?
- Are court dates and other timeframes being considered/addressed? How do they affect the plan?
- Do we need more time? If so, why?
- Do we have the supports (family, friends, church, teachers, counselors, etc.) and resources (money, transportation, etc.) that we need to make the plan work? If not, what needs to be done?
- If we have supports and resources, are they being used and are they the right ones? If not, what do we need to do to use the resources we have and/or find others?
- Is everyone on the team (service providers, child welfare agency, family, and others) focused on helping us make the plan work? If not, what do we need from them?
- Is everyone telling us what we need to know? Are they doing it along the way instead of only at the last minute? If not, what do we need to talk to about this; and what do we need from them?



Is the Plan Working? (cont'd)

- Have we learned anything new that would help us make the plan work? If so, how do we need to include what we learned?
- Have we tried all the options under this plan? If not, what else can we do?
- Are we meeting often enough to talk about how the plan is going? If not, what do we need to do to make sure that we are meeting often enough, for example, should one person be in charge of scheduling the meetings?
- Is everyone who needs to be at the meetings coming to the meetings? If not, what do we need to do to get them there?
- Do we need to find more team members and help them see why it is important to be a part of the team?
- Does everyone on the team feel welcomed? If not, what do we need to do?
- Does everyone on the team feel like he or she is an active member? If not, what needs to change?
- How are we keeping track of our progress? Is the way we keep track of our progress detailed enough to let us see our growth and what affected it?
- Who needs to know about our progress?

What other thoughts do we have?

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