

10A NCAC 70G .0505 PERSON-CENTERED PLAN FOR CHILDREN RECEIVING THERAPEUTIC FOSTER CARE SERVICES

- (a) When therapeutic foster care services are provided, the agency shall complete an assessment for each child prior to the delivery of services that shall include:
- (1) the child's presenting problem;
 - (2) the child's needs and strengths;
 - (3) the provisional or admitting diagnosis with an established diagnosis determined within 30 days of placement,
 - (4) a social, family and medical history; and
 - (5) evaluations or assessments, such as psychiatric, psychological, substance abuse, medical, vocational and educational, as appropriate to the child's needs.
- (b) When services are provided prior to the establishment and implementation of the person-centered plan, strategies to address the child's presenting problem shall be documented.
- (c) The person-centered plan shall be developed based on the assessment, in partnership with the child, parents, guardian and the legal custodian if applicable. A preliminary person-centered plan shall be developed within 24 hours following placement. A person-centered plan shall be developed within 30 days of placement for children who are expected to receive services beyond 30 days of placement.
- (d) The person-centered plan for each therapeutic foster child shall include:
- (1) outcomes that are anticipated to be achieved by the provision of the service and a projected date of achievement;
 - (2) strategies for achieving the outcomes;
 - (3) staff responsibilities;
 - (4) responsibilities of the child, parents, guardian or legal custodian and the responsibilities of the foster parents;
 - (5) a schedule for review of the person-centered plan at least annually in consultation with the child, parents, guardian or legal custodian;
 - (6) basis for an evaluation or assessment of outcome achievement; and
 - (7) written consent or agreement by the child, parents, guardian and legal custodian if applicable or a written statement by the agency stating the reason such consent could not be obtained.
- (e) If a child is in the custody of a county department of social services and is placed in a therapeutic foster home, an out-of-home family services agreement shall also be completed. The outcomes, objectives and strategies of the person-centered plan and the out-of-home family services agreement shall be consistent and compatible.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 131D-10.5;
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