

Child Interview

FCAPID: _____ Date Completed: _____ Refusal: ☐

Respondent name: _____ Interview: _____ (1 – Telephone 2 – In person)

Elapsed Time: _____ Mins.

IMPORTANT: *The purpose of the child interview is to provide an opportunity for the child/youth to tell their story in their own words. This is **not** a clinical assessment. The interview can be very conversational. Explain the interview's purpose and the kind of questions you will be asking.*

Tailor your conversation to fit the child's/youth's age and circumstances

1. What do you like to do when you're not in school? (Activities, sports, etc.)

2. What do you like best/least about school?

3. If you could have three wishes, what would they be?

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

4. What do you want to be when you grow up? Do you want to go to college?

5. What is your favorite thing about living here? Least favorite thing?

6. Tell me about who is in your family OR draw me a picture of your family.

7. Are there other people who are important to you?

8. Who do you think you will be living with at this time next year (or at your next birthday, or when you are in XX grade)? What needs to happen before you can live there?

9. If you can't live with that person is there anyone else?

10. Do you feel that you are a part of this (current) family (sense of belonging, of being cared about, etc.)

☐No (1) ☐Yes (2)

11. What would you say is your racial or ethnic identity?

12. What is one thing that brings you pride about being a member of your racial or ethnic group? Are there things you would like to know more about your racial or ethnic group?

13. What things or activities are you currently involved with that gives you good feelings about your racial or ethnic group?

14. Is there anything else you want to tell me?

Summary assessment [worker rating based on completed interview]

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- 1a. Child wants to live with:
- ☐ current caregiver
 - ☐ another non-relative caregiver
 - ☐ a relative, not birth parents
 - ☐ one or both birth parents
 - ☐ wants to live on their own or with friends
 - ☐ Doesn't know

- 1b. Child expects to live with:
- ☐ current caregiver
 - ☐ another non-relative caregiver
 - ☐ a relative, not birth parents
 - ☐ one or both birth parents
 - ☐ wants to live on their own or with friends
 - ☐ Doesn't know

8. Child's intention about living with: (choose an answer for **each** category on the list of possible responses on the right)

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| Birth parents | — | 1 - None |
| Birth mother | — | 2 - Weak |
| Birth father | — | 3 - Moderate |
| Preferred placement (from #1) | — | 4 - Strong |
| | | 8 - Not applicable (e.g. TPR, death) |
| | | 9 - D/K; can not be assessed |

9. Child's intention about relationship with:

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| Birth Mother | — | 1 - None |
| Birth Father | — | 2 - Yes, limited |
| Preferred placement (from #1) | — | 3 - Yes, moderate |
| | | 4 - Yes, strong |
| | | 8 - Not applicable |
| | | 9 - DK; can not be assessed |