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Assessments Include:

- · Review of case history
- · Interviews with people who know the child best
- · Summary of the child's health history
- · Psychiatric, psychological, and cultural pediatric case consultation
- · Funding for additional evaluations
- Structured in-person interview with the parents
- · Structured in-person interview with the child and caregiver
- Observation of the parent/child visitation
- Standardized assessment of a child's emotional & behavioral functioning
- Standardized measures regarding parental stress
- · Thorough recommendations for an updated service plan based on evidence based interventions
- · Production of a comprehensive Services and Permanency Assessment Report for DCFS (SPAR)
- · Service planning focused on achieving permanency for the child
- · Six months of assistance to the DCFS referring social worker





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What is FCAP?

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FCAP is a statewide contracted program available to children in all six DSHS regions. FCAP provides two types of assessments: Standard Assessments and Reunification Assessments.

The purpose of a Standard Assessment is to provide a comprehensive evaluation of a child's level of functioning in the home, school and community and to assist with the service planning and implementation. The goals are to improve the child's health and well being, and help DCFS accomplish permanency.

The purpose of a Reunification Assessment is to assist the Department in making a decision regarding returning children home. This includes a parental capacity screening and a comprehensive analysis of whether the service plan meets the parental deficits that prompted removal.

FCAP evaluators are available for 6 months following the assessment to help DCFS implement a plan for each child.





The Foster Care Assessment Program is operated under a contract with the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS), Children's Administration to serve children and youth. This program is administered by Harborview Center for Sexual Assault and Traumatic Stress (HCSATS), in collaboration with community and hospital partners statewide.

Region 1: Contact Rima Ellard for

current referral information

206.744.1600

Region 2: Yakima Valley Farm Workers Clinic

509.575.3394

Region 3: Brigid Collins

360.734.4616

Lutheran Community Services NW

206.694.5700

Region 4: Harborview Center for Sexual Assault

and Traumatic Stress (HCSATS)

206.744.1600

Children's Home Society of Washington

253.850.2582

Region 5: Mary Bridge Children's Hospital and

Health Center 253.403.4430

Children's Home Society of Washington

253.850.2582

Region 6: Community Youth Services

360.943.0780



How are Referrals Made?

Cases can only be referred by DCFS social workers. However, CASAs, attorneys, judges, caregivers, and other service providers frequently encourage DCFS to make referrals. In order to refer a case, DCFS social workers complete a FCAP referral packet. The referral packet includes:

- 1. FCAP Referral Form
- 2. Release of Information (ROI)
- 3. Current ISSP
- 4. Most recent court order
- 5. CAMIS Placement and Legal History

These forms can be accessed on our website at www.fcaponline.org. Go to the site and simply click on the area for DCFS Social Workers. Once completed, please send the packet to the local FCAP evaluator or the local DCFS coordinator. Contact information for the local DCFS coordinator is available on our website.

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