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APPROVED BY:	TITLE: JUVENILE	PROBATION
CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER	IMMINENT	RISK YOUTH

1. **Policy** It shall be the policy of Solano County Probation Department to work with juveniles and their families to provide preventative services which will enable youth placed on probation to remain in their homes when possible.

2. <u>Definitions</u> (<u>Attachment A</u>)

3. Procedures

- A. Imminent Risk and Reasonable Candidacy
 - (1) <u>Candidacy Requirements</u> In order for a youth to qualify as an imminent risk reasonable candidate for possible removal from their home, the youth shall meet the following criteria:
 - a. Be under the age of 18 years old.
 - b. Subject of a Welfare Institutions Code 602 (WIC 602) petition.
 - c. Reside with their parent/legal guardian or be removed from the care of their parent/legal guardian.
 - d. A legal resident of the United States of America (documentation in case file).
 - e. Have a valid, Title IV-E Case Plan on file, which clearly indicates that "absent effective services, or should services fail, the youth will be removed from the home and placed in a suitable foster home/group home."
 - (2) <u>Determination of Candidacy</u> Every youth who is subject to a WIC 602 petition shall have an Evaluation of Imminent Risk and Reasonable Candidacy tool (<u>Attachment B</u>) completed. For a youth to be determined at imminent risk of removal from their home, the following risk factors shall be considered:
 - a. Parent or legal/guardian is in need of support services to ensure effective care and control of child in the home.
 - b. Family has recent (within 6 months) or current involvement with a social services agency.

- c. Current pattern of repeated or increasing uncontrollable behavior.
- d. Deterioration in family relations.
- e. Nature of offense indicates risk to self or others.
- f. Recent (within 6 months) runaway or beyond control behavior in the home setting.
- g. The use or abuse of drugs by the youth or parent combined with other risk factors.
- (3) <u>Imminent Risk Case Plan</u> If a youth is determined through the completion of the Evaluation of Imminent Risk and Reasonable Candidacy to be at imminent risk of removal from the home, a Case Plan (<u>Attachment C</u>) shall be completed which shall be used to verify the youth as a Title IV-E candidate. The Case Plan shall be comprised of the following Sections:
 - a. The Case Plan shall be organized into two Sections: <u>Section I</u>, Minor and Family Assessment, and Section II, Pre-Placement Case Plan.
 - b. Sections I and II shall be the "Reasonable Candidate" Title IV-E Case Plan which shall be completed for all youth determined to be at imminent risk. These Case Plan sections shall establish a youth as a reasonable candidate for placement if services are not effectively received in the community. The Case Plan must be updated as changes in the Plan occur. Both the Evaluation tool (Attachment B) and the Case Plan (Attachment C) shall be reviewed and updated at least every 6 months.
- (4) <u>Case Plan Completion</u> Case Plans shall be developed collaboratively with the youth and parent/legal guardian. Section II of the Case Plan shall be signed by the youth and parent/legal guardian and signed by the Deputy Probation Officer (DPO) and a Supervising Deputy Probation Officer (SDPO). DPOs shall create a milestone of the Case Plan in Ce Planning, print the Case Plan documents and provide them to the youth, parent/legal guardian. If after a minimum of two attempts the DPO is unable to obtain the signature of a parent/legal guardian, they shall document in the Case Plan the reason for the failure to obtain the signature. The DPO shall provide a copy of the completed Case Plan to the parent/legal guardian. Signed Case Plans are to be maintained in the youth's case file. Case Plans are to be completed for pre-adjudicated and current youth under probation jurisdiction, as noted below:
 - a. Pre-adjudicated Youth (Detained) Pre-adjudicated youth who are detained and referred for a Dispositional Report shall have the Evaluation of Imminent Risk and Reasonable Candidacy tool completed by the assigned Court Unit or Overflow DPO. If a youth who is detained is still pending adjudication after 30 business days of their removal from their home and a Dispositional Report has not been completed, juvenile Clerical Support Staff shall assign the case to a Court Unit or Overflow DPO for completion of the Evaluation of Imminent Risk and Reasonable

- Candidacy tool. In either case if the youth is assessed as imminent risk for removal from the home of their parent/legal guardian, the assigned DPO shall complete the Case Plan Sections I and II within 40 business days of the detention date or by the date of disposition, whichever occurs first.
- b. Pre-adjudicated Youth (Out-of-Custody) Pre-adjudicated youth who are
 out of custody and assigned to a Court Unit or Overflow DPO for
 completion of a Dispositional Report shall have the Evaluation of
 Imminent Risk and Reasonable Candidacy tool completed.
- c. Youth on Probation Supervision When a youth who is placed on probation supervision has been determined by a Court Unit or Overflow DPO to be at imminent risk for removal from the home of their parent/legal guardian, the supervision DPO shall within 30 business days from receiving the case either complete the Case Plan Sections I and II, or if there is reason to believe that the youth is not at imminent risk of removal, document such by completing the Evaluation of Imminent Risk and Reasonable Candidacy tool. Any time there is a change in the youth's circumstance, or there is a violation/new arrest resulting in the youth's removal from the home of their parent/legal guardian, the DPO shall staff the case with the SDPO. If the youth is out of custody and believed to be at imminent risk, the DPO shall complete the Evaluation of Imminent Risk and Reasonable Candidacy tool and complete the Case Plan, Sections I and II within 30 business days. If the youth is detained and is determined to be at imminent risk, the Case Plan, Sections I and II must be completed within 40 business days of the detention date or by the date of disposition, whichever occurs first.
- d. Transferring Imminent Risk Cases If at any point the DPO is transferring the case, the DPO shall, if needed, update the Case Plan to include services requiring the youth to be transferred to the new caseload and obtain the required signatures. Upon receipt of the new case, the receiving DPO shall review and if needed update the Case Plan regarding services specific to the receiving caseload and obtain signatures, as needed. For cases that have not been declared imminent risk and are recommended for a General Placement Order, the transferring DPO must complete the Case Plan Sections I and II prior to transfer.
- e. All Case Plan action steps and goals must be updated within Ce Planning, when each action step and goal is completed. Completion of goals that stabilize the youth and family may result in the youth no longer being a reasonable candidate for removal from their home; therefore their candidacy shall also be updated as needed.
- f. When completing the Case Plan in Ce Planning, the Title IV-E needs shall be selected based upon the completed juvenile risk and needs assessment. Specific goals and action steps must be developed in collaboration with the youth and parent/legal guardian. The Case Plan shall be updated in Ce Planning by the DPO, as goals and action steps are completed.

- g. A youth shall no longer be a reasonable candidate when a bench warrant is issued; they are booked into a detention facility; they turn 18 years old; they do not reside with their parent/legal guardian; they do not have legal residency in the USA; or they have satisfactorily completed their Case Plan goals.
- h. Absent a booking, when a youth ceases to be a reasonable candidate the DPO shall complete the Evaluation of Imminent Risk and Reasonable Candidacy tool. The Evaluation of Imminent Risk and Reasonable Candidacy tool shall be signed by the DPO and SDPO at the appropriate time.
- (5) <u>Case Plan Review</u> Case Plan reviews shall be completed and new signatures obtained at a minimum of every 6 months, whether or not there is a change in the Case Plan or community-based intervention. The Evaluation of Imminent Risk and Reasonable Candidacy tool shall also be completed at the same time. A significant modification such as new problem areas identified and when new referrals for intervention services are being made shall require an updated Case Plan with new signatures.
- (6) Placement If at any point the DPO in consultation with the SDPO believes that in spite of the preventive services that have been provided, and all the applicable provisions as set forth in this policy have been followed, the youth may need to be removed from their home, the SDPO assigned to the Placement Unit shall be notified and appropriate action shall be taken.
- (7) <u>SDPO's Responsibilities</u> Each SDPO shall be responsible for the following:
 - a. Assuring an Evaluation of Imminent Risk and Reasonable Candidacy tool and Case Plan are completed and updated by their staff in accordance with the procedures, as outlined in this policy.
 - b. Assuring that staff carry out their individual responsibilities in the preparation of the evaluation tool and Case Plan.
 - c. Assuring staff (as well as the SDPO) review and sign the completed Evaluation of Imminent Risk and Reasonable Candidacy tool and Case Plan within the required timeframes, that they are placed on the right side of the minors' file, and that they note the date the SDPO signed them on the running sheet in the file.
- 4. <u>Exceptions</u> Any exceptions to the provisions set forth in this policy shall require prior written approval from the Chief Probation Officer.

DEFINITIONS

- A. <u>Ce Planning</u> A web-based automated case management system that allows probation staff to initiate individualized case plans.
- B. Evaluation of Imminent Risk and Reasonable Candidacy— An assessment tool used to help determine if a juvenile is at imminent risk of removal to foster care.
- C. <u>General Placement Order</u> A Court Order removing a juvenile from their home for placement in foster care.
- D. <u>Legal Guardian</u> The person who has the legal authority and responsibility to care for the personal and property interests of the juveniles.
- E. <u>Overflow DPO</u> A Deputy Probation Officer who is assigned to write Dispositional Reports when the Court Unit staff are unable to.
- F. <u>Pre-adjudicated Youth</u> A juvenile who has been charged with committing a delinquent act for which a disposition has not yet been rendered by the Court.
- G. <u>Title IV-E Case Plan</u> A document which officially identifies a youth on probation as a Title IV-E candidate and indicates that the youth will be placed in foster care if the preventive services outlined in the document are not effective.
- H. Welfare Institutions Code 602 Petition An order by the Court declaring the juvenile to be a ward (under the supervision) of the juvenile delinquency Court.

I.

Evaluation of Imminent Risk and Reasonable Candidacy
Name: DOB: Date:
The minor is under the age of 18YesNo: If no, stop here; the child is not a candidate for foster care. The minor is the subject of a §602 petition Yes No: If no, stop here - the child is not a candidate for foster care.
Delinquency, substance abuse, criminal behaviors are not in or of themselves a reason the child is at imminent risk of foster care placement.
Parent or guardian in need of support services to ensure effective care and control of child in the home
-Parent is physically or mentally unable to provide adequate care without preventative services. -Parent is unwilling to have the minor remain in the home without preventative services -Parent is unable to provide adequate care because of criminal conduct, minimizes child's behavior, periodic or prolonged absence, or incarceration. -Parent has another child in foster care. -Other -Does not apply
Family has recent (within six months.) or current involvement with a Social Services agency
□-Child is a dependent of the Court □-Parents/guardians currently participating in a Family Maintenance. Family Preservation or another voluntary program. □-Child had a recent Foster Care placement as a dependent or voluntary placement. □-Other □-Does not apply
Current pattern of repeated or increasing uncontrollable behavior
 □-Child has great difficulty being safely maintained in a community placement environment such as school setting, community intervention program, or day program. □-Child has demonstrated a pattern of engaging in delinquent behaviors or has increased participation in such behaviors despite the use of community interventions. □-Other □-Does not apply
Deterioration in family relations
☐ - Child isolates self from others and does not engage family members ☐ -Family home environment is characterized by frequent conflict or violence ☐ -Minor dissociates self from family members and prefers association of peers ☐ -Other ☐ -Does not apply
Nature of offense indicates risk to self or others
-Victim resides in the same home as the childAccess to victim remains likelyOffense indicates risk of future self-harmOther -Does not apply
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Mental Health services
Independent Living Program
Anger management services
Parenting classes
Sex offender therapy
Social/Life Skills services
Other
one by the Probation Officer to further clarify issues and refine ide his/her home. Absent the effectiveness of these services, the plan oster care placement.
OURCE DOCUMENTS
Criminal Records on Parent/Guardian Grades Behavior Child Welfare Records

SECTION I

MINOR AND FAMILY ASSESSMENT (BEGIN AT INTAKE LEVEL)

1) Name:				2) DOB;	3) Sex:	4) Ethnicity:
5) PO #: Name:		6) Date:			7) Place of Birth:		
8) In Custody: No	Yes. date removed	- I		9) Social Security #:			
10) Legal Custody:				11) With whom	has minor	been living:	
12 a) Mother Name:				12 b) DOB: 12 c) SS#:		S#:	
12 d) Address:				12 e) City: 12 f		12 f) Z	ip:
12 g) Home Phone:	12h) Work Phone	::		12i) Employer/S	Source of It	ncome:	
13 a) Father Name:				13 b) DOB: 13 d		13 c) S	S#:
13 d) Address:				13 e) City:	13		ip:
13 g) Home Phone:	13 i) Employer/S	Source of I	ncome:				
14) Other Adults in home: (Name/Relationship)						
15) Relative not living in home:							
Name: Address: 16 a) Step-Mother Name:	16 b) DOB:		16	c) SS#:			
, -				16 e) City:			
16 d) Address:			16 i) Employer/Source of Income:			f) Zip:	
16 g) Home Phone:	16 h) Work Ph	one:		16 i) Employer/	Source of I	ncome:	
17 a) Step-Father Name:				17 b) DOB:		17	c) SS#:
17 d) Address:				17 e) City:		17	f) Zip:
17 g) Home Phone:	17 h) Work Ph	one:		17 i) Employer/	Source of l	income:	
18) SIBLINGS AND/O	OR OTHER CHIL	DREN IN TI	не нол	Æ.			
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19) HEALTH AND EI	DUCATION						
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Dentist Name & Address:		Phone:	Date of last visit:	
Medical Issues:				
Current medications:		Immunizations current: Yes No Record attached Record requested: (date) by letter from:		
School Information is not available - Date requested:		Ву:	From:	
School Name & Address:		Grade:	Grades:	
IEP/Special Education:		Credits Earned:	Child is performing at grade level	
20) ASSESSMENT OF MINOR				
Category		Comment		
Current Offense(s):		(List current charges))	
Minor has a history of prior criminal/delinquent behavior	?	(List offenses and dat	es: mo/yr.)	
Parent or other significant adult has or is currently involve criminal justice system? Minor has been physically sexually emotional documented suspected. Minor has school problems Attendance Grades Behavior Minor associates with other known criminals/delinquent. Minor uses drugs/alcohol Alcohol Marijuana Drugs Family has/is in conflict, has significant issues. Minor has been witness to or involved in Family Violence. Parental Supervision/Abilities to control minor are inaded.	ally abused			
Other:				
Other:				
21) FAMILY ASSESSMENT				
Other Risks/Issues (Check all that apply)		Family Strengths (c	heck all that apply)	
Family Members - Substance Abuse Issues		Family Intact/stable		
Parenting Skills		program	available and willing to work with	
Parent Education		TANF/Cal Works invo	lvement	
(Has extended Family		
Adult Employment/Income/Budgeting				

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Family Members - Physical Health/Mental Health issues/Access to care		h 🗌	Receiving Mental h		health services		
Parent/Sibling Criminal Involvement			Ī	Financially stable/employed/reliable income			
No positive family involvement/s	social/recreation]	Adequate living necessities (food, shelter, etc.)			
Other:	Other:]	Family has positive in	volvement/soci	al/recreation	
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23) OTHER INFORMATION Is Restitution an Issue in this case? Amount:			F	Referred to Victim Awareness: (date) Other:			
Child Protective Services Check Other Services Received		1-	_ Office.				
Is child a parent/in need of assistance with parenting? If yes check appropriate box Child Care Pre-natal care Child development education Transportation Parenting classes with family Pregnancy prevention / planned parenthood education Other: Juvenile Justice Accountability Issues	(Comment)						
		Comment	ts a	and Notes			
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	S	ECTION II	
	PRE-PLAC	EMENT CASE PLAN	
Minor's Name:		DOB:	
Date Case Plan Complete	ed: Initial Case Pl	lan Six Month Review Chan	ge in Case Plan
Non-Title IV-E case Overall Goal Minor to remain in home/fan	nily maintenance (skip to Yo	uth and Family Strengths section)	
Title IV-E case Overall Goal			
☐ Minor to remain in the home home and placed in a suitable fo		ould preventative services fail, the minor w	ill be removed from the
Risk and Reasonable Candidacy indicates the minor/family need	which affect his/her and the the services indicated in or	of the issues indicated in the Evaluation of e family's safety and well-being. Prelimina der for the minor to safely remain in his/l lan, the plan is to remove the child from their	ry review her home.
Please indicate in the box removal:	below the issues and service	es needed that place the minor at Imminer	nt Risk of
	ut from the minor, parent(s).	n of Reasonable Candidacy completed by the and others related/concerned with the minor	
Planned Placement O	ption(s) if Preventa	tive Services are not Effective	2
Family Members	Relationship	Address	Phone Number
Group Home Type or Other Foster Care Placement(s)	Notes on Foster Placement (May include service(s) to b	t be provided, level of group home, location, etc.)	
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☐ Positive Extended☐ ResilientObjectives an		Positive Peer Gro Other	ııp ☐ Healthy Family I☐ None of the Abo			
Domain	Objective	For Whom	Services, Referrals and/or Activities	Date Ref/. Services	Projected Completion	Date Complete
Medical:			Obtain Medical coverage Refer to physician for:			
Mental Health			Other Refer for assessment Counseling			
Education Truant Poor grades Suspension Expulsion Disruptive Active IEP			Other Attend school regularly Educational Assessment Needs IEP Reassessment Tutoring for grades Other			
Prepare for independent living.			Employment Training Life Skills Class Other			
Substance Abuse Alcohol Marijuana Meth. Other			Substance Abuse Counseling Regular testing Other			
Violence/Anger			Anger Management classes Other			
Gang/Peer relationships			☐ Tutoring ☐ Other ☐ Tattoo removal			
Delinquent activity						
nadequate parenting			Parenting class Other			
Minor's ability to parent			Parenting Class Referral for child care/social services assistance Other			

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Trauma: Physical Abuse Sexual Abuse Emotional Abuse Neglect Other: Sexual offender		Counseling Victim/Wil referral Other Counseling Sex Offend Treatment Pro Other Counseling Other	ness Assistance			
Lack of Social Skills/Inappropriate Behavior		Counseling Mentor pro				
Other:						
The projected date	for the completion o	of all case plan objecti	ves is (exac	et date)	'	
PROBATION OF	FICER WILL:					
1. Meet w	vith minor at minim	am monthly				
2. Meet w	vith parent(s)/guard	an(s) at minimum mo	nthly			
3. Monito	or Compliance with	case plan objectives a	nd services			
4. Other:						
5, Other:						
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Parent/Guardian			Date			
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