

Department for Community Based Services
Child Welfare Transformation
Child Welfare Oversight and Advisory Committee
August 20, 2018



"You can't really know where you are going until you know where you have been."

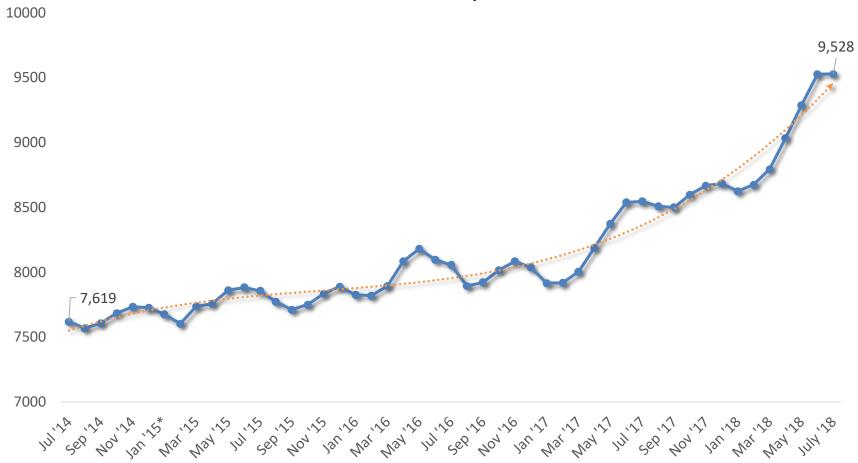
_ Maya Angelou

DCBS DATA TRENDS AND OUTCOMES



Number of Youth in Out of Home Care

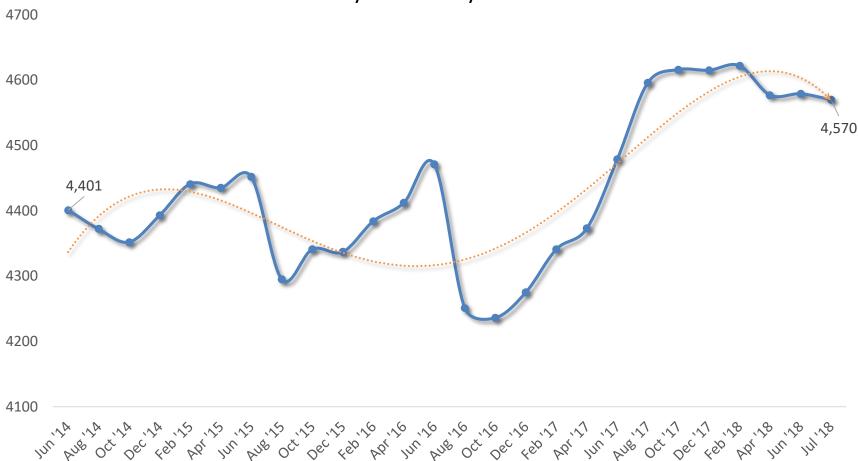
June 2014 – July 2018





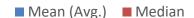
Total DCBS and PCP Foster Homes

July 2014 - July 2018

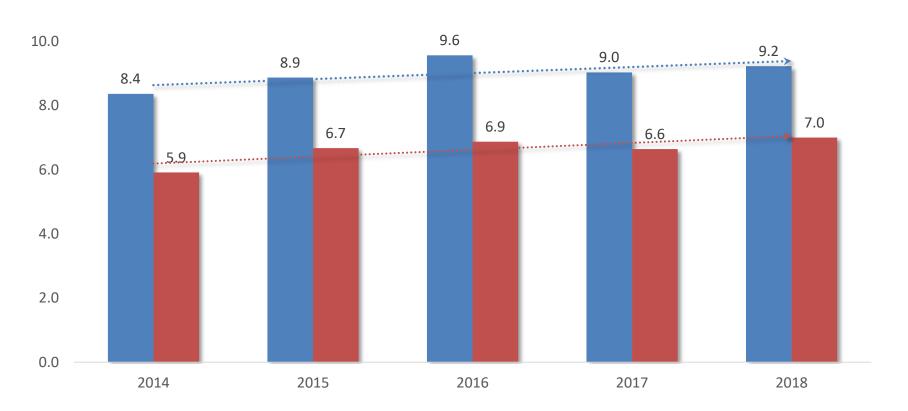




Months to Permanency: Reunifications

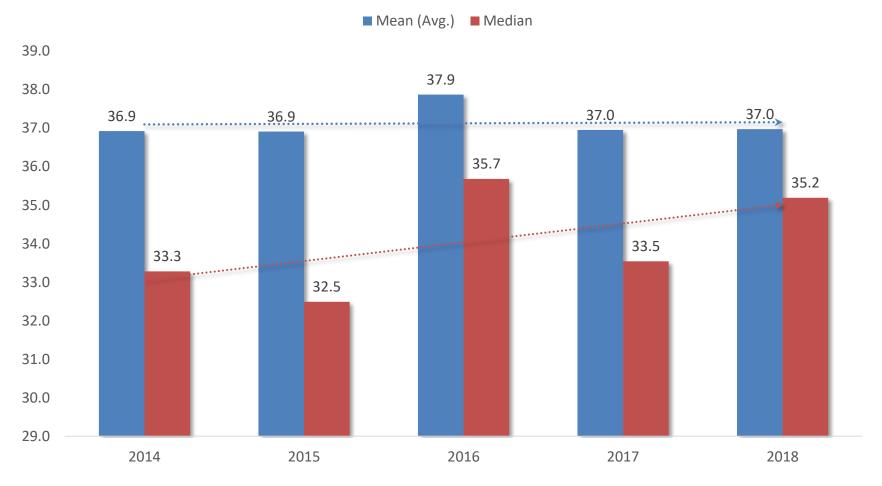






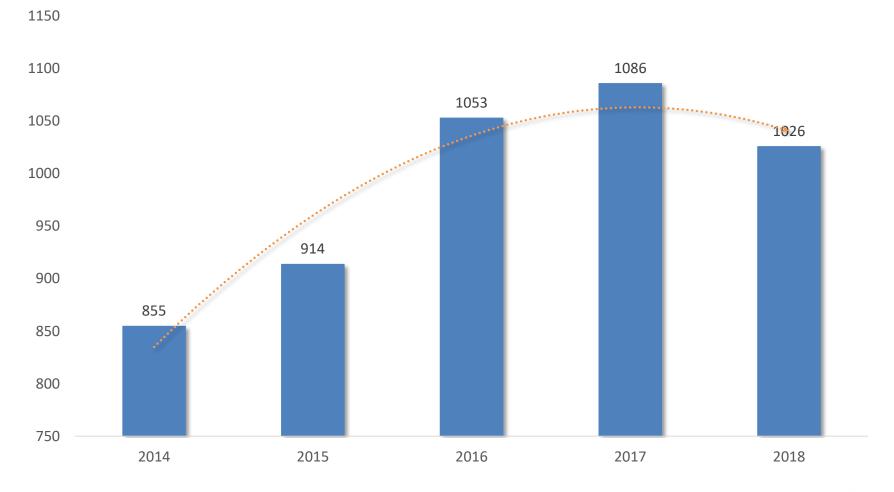


Months to Permanency: Adoptions



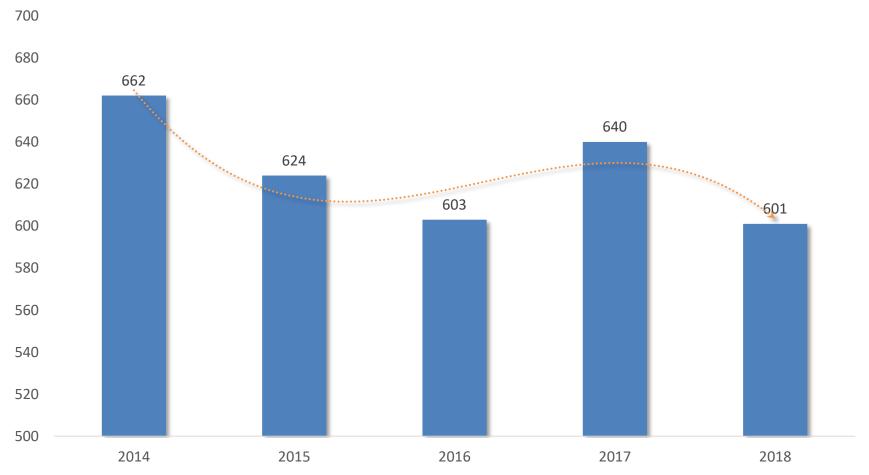


Youth Exiting OOHC to Adoption





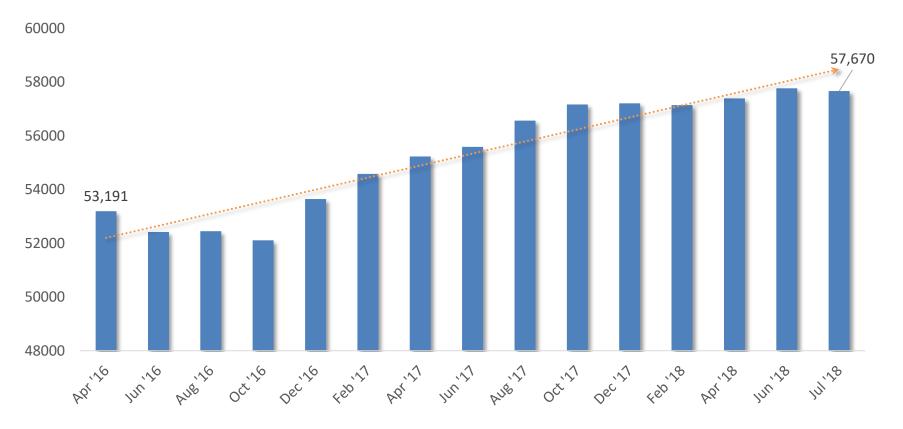
Youth Aging Out of OOHC





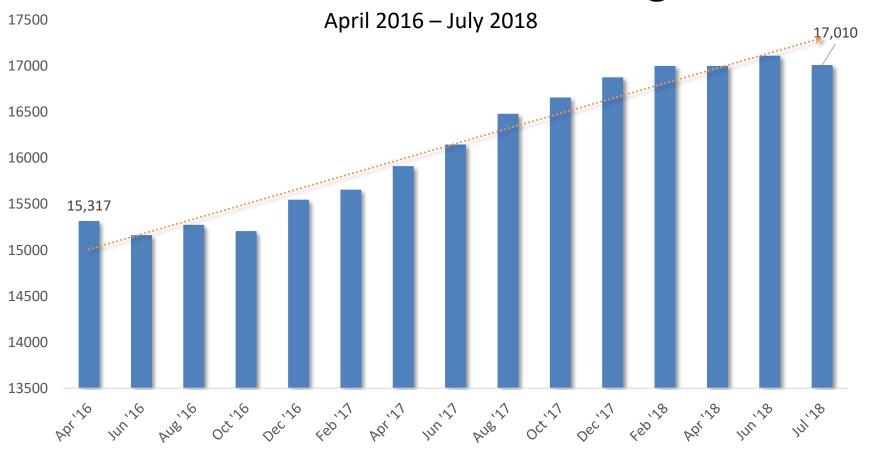
CPS Reports that Met Acceptance Criteria During the Year

April 2016 - July 2018





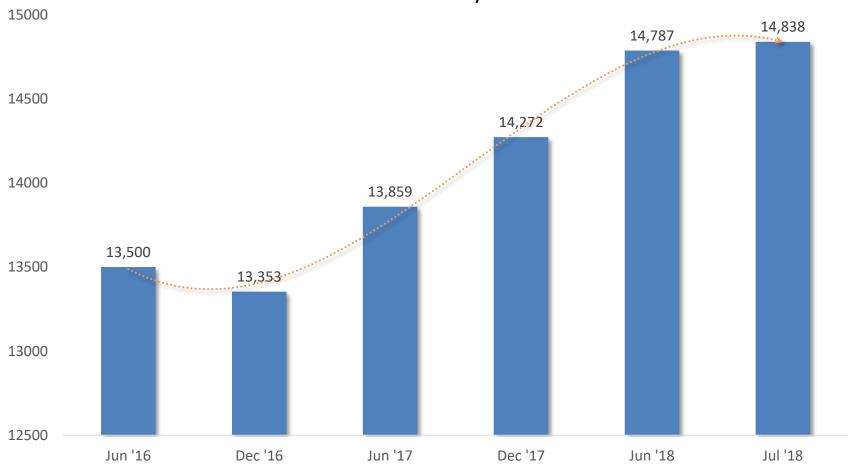
CPS Reports w/ Substantiated or Services Needed Finding





Active Cases

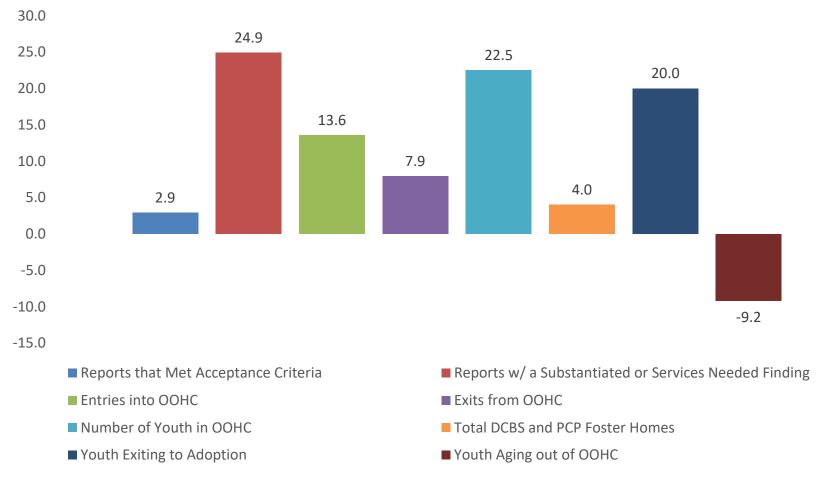
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% Change in Key Data Points Over Time

2014 - 2018





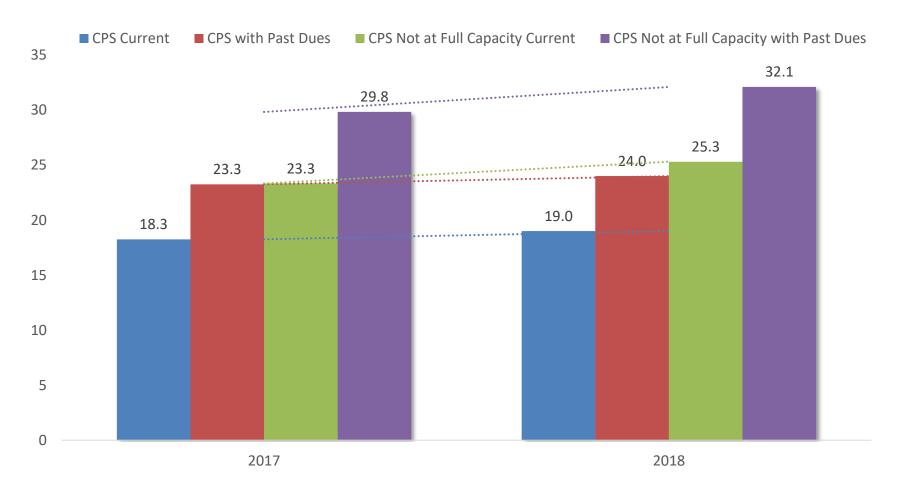
Worker CPS Caseload Averages

Month/Year	Dec. 2016	2017 Yearly avg	To date in 2018
AVERAGE CASELOAD CPS CURRENT	18	18	19
AVERAGE CASELOAD CPS NOT AT FULL CAPACITY	23	23	26
CURRENT AVERAGE CASELOAD CPS WITH PAST DUES	23	23	24
AVERAGE CASELOAD CPS NOT AT FULL CAPACITY WITH PAST DUES	29	30	33



Average CPS Caseloads

CY2017 - CY2018*



*CY2018 Jan-Jul.



DO v. Glisson Update

- The ruling treats relative caregivers like foster parents if the CHFS places the child with the relative (i.e., conducted a home study and background checks), and if CHFS either retains custody or transferred the child from CHFS' custody to the temporary custody of the relative.
- As of August 10th:
 - DCBS has received 23,137 inquiries.
 - 1,012 relatives/fictive kin have been notified of eligibility.
 - For June, payments were made to 516 children. For July, payments were made to 748 children.
 - Payments have totaled \$2,619,165.27 to date. This excludes pending invoices and invoices not yet submitted by caregivers, child care assistance, special expenses, clothing vouchers, Medicaid, legal services, staffing, technology, and call services costs.
 - DCBS projects \$8.5-9M for the state fiscal year.





Kinship Support Hotline

- Are you the primary caregiver for the child of a relative?
- Do you have questions about what resources are available?
- Do you need support?

Call: (877)565-5608 email: DCBSChildProtection@ky.gov

Experienced Staff are available Monday through Friday, 8:00am to 4:30pm, to assist relative caregivers in accessing services and problem solving issues and concerns.

Provided by CHFS/DCBS Division for Protection and Permenancy

Paid for by funds to prevent child maltreatment and children entering foster care.



Child Welfare Transformation

A Call To Action.....

There is a child on the other side of every decision made, every policy implemented, and every law passed who will either feel the benefit or the consequence.





The Governance Structure





Project Management:

A deliberate approach

- Nine workgroups
- Scope development based on priorities identified by the workgroup members
- Ongoing risk assessment and review
- Creation of communications plan external and internal
- Project performance monitoring
- Continuous stakeholder engagement
- Deliverable verifications



The Workgroups

Workforce Supports

Transition Aged Youth

Prevention Supports

Fiscal Modernization

Foster Parent Supports

Foster Adoptive Process
Streamlining

Relative Placement Supports

Service Region Implementation

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House Bill 1 Implementation

- Four administrative regulations have been filed (with the Legislative Research Commission) as of August 1st.
- Three administrative regulations and one repealer are set for filing by September 14th.
- HB1 study groups were formed August 3rd, with its first meeting tentatively scheduled for September 11th facilitated by DCBS and Casey Family Programs.
- Standards of practice guiding field practice have been revised for alignment.
- Statutorily mandated reporting is under revision to align with HB1 content and submission requirements.
- Contracts with Family Preservation Program providers are being updated.



House Bill 1 Implementation: Putative Father Registry

STATEMENT OF EMERGENCY 922 KAR 1:560E

This emergency administrative regulation is necessary in accordance with KRS 13A.190(1)(a)3. to establish the putative father registry by the effective date of 2018 Ky. Acts ch. 159. An ordinary administrative regulation would not allow the agency sufficient time to establish a putative father registry by July 14, 2018, the effective date of 2018 Ky. Acts ch. 159, and avoid interruption to adoption proceedings. This emergency administrative regulation will be replaced by an ordinary administrative regulation. The ordinary administrative regulation is identical to this emergency administrative regulation.

MATTHEW G. BEVIN, Governor ADAM M. MEIER, Secretary

CABINET FOR HEALTH AND FAMILY SERVICES
Department for Community Based Services
Division of Protection and Permanency
(New Emergency Administrative Regulation)

922 KAR 1:560E. Putative father registry and operating procedures.

RELATES TO: KRS 194A.060, 199.011, 199.480, 199.505 199.990, 620.020(11), 625.065 STATUTORY AUTHORITY: KRS 194A.050(1), 199.472, 199.503(3) EFFECTIVE: July 13, 2018

NECESSITY, FÚNCTION, AND CONFORMITY: KRS 194A.050(1) requires the Secretary for the Cabinet for Health and Family Services to promulgate administrative regulations necessary to operate programs and fulfill the responsibilities vested in the cabinet. KRS 199.472(1) requires the cabinet to promulgate administrative regulations that establish criteria to be followed for the adoption of children. 2018 Ky. Acts ch. 159, Section 28(3), codified as KRS 199.503(3), requires that the cabinet establish a putative father registry and promulgate administrative regulations to administer the registry. This administrative regulation establishes the putative father registry and operating procedures.

Section 1. Definitions. (1) "Cabinet" is defined by KRS 199.011(3).

- (2) "Child-placing agency" is defined by KRS 199.011(6).
- (3) "Department" is defined by KRS 199.011(7).
- (4) "Putative father" is defined by KRS 199.503(2).
- (5) "Reasonable efforts" is defined by KRS 620.020(11).

- https://chfs.ky.gov/agenci es/dcbs/dpp/Pages/putati vefather.aspx
- Contact: DCBS, Division of Protection and Permanency, Adoption Services Branch
- 275 E. Main St. 3CE, Frankfort, KY 40621
- 502/564-2147
- PutativeFather@ky.gov



House Bill 1 Implementation Still Underway

- KRS 620.180(2)- Case review requirements effective January 1, 2019
- KRS 605.120- Service array for relative and fictive kin caregivers
- Ongoing efforts with courts, regional attorneys, private providers, and consultants to effect more timely permanency for children
- Efforts to make more expedient the foster parent approval process and to improve supportive services, inclusive of adequate per diems, statewide foster home standards, streamlined background check process supported HB1, and adoption assistance

Relative and Fictive Kin Caregiver Supports

- 2017- Engagement of Annie E. Casey, Child Welfare Strategy Group (Casey)
- Winter/Spring 2018- Casey assessment of KY's system
- July 2018- State application for Kinship Navigator Funds (KNF)
- August 2018- Release of Casey assessment, recommendations
- Summer/Fall 2018- Engagement of stakeholders, development of training and technology, submission of administrative regulations, State Plan amendments
- Fall/Winter 2018/2019- Federal approval of State Plan amendments, KNF award, staff training, technology deployment
- Late winter/Early spring 2019- Full implementation



House Bill 200

The General Assembly fulfilled additional budget requests for:

- Adoption and foster care (SFY 2018);
- More staff and workforce supports across DCBS program areas;
- Salary increases for frontline social services workers and their supervisors;
- Kinship care and relative placement supports;
- Adoption savings (to meet federal mandate);
- Private child care rate increases; and
- The Fostering Success Program.



House Bill 200 Progress

- Salary increases were put into effect July 1, 2018.
- A reorganization to support enhanced service provision, new staff recruitment, and career ladder for staff has been approved for October 16, 2018.
- Mobile technology and related solutions are being deployed to field with projected completion date in early 2019. Exploration of data management systems and predictive analytics is underway.
- DCBS continues to voluntarily maintain and pursue accreditation through the Council on Accreditation of Child and Family Services.
- Foster/adoptive parent portal will be deployed August 25, 2018.
- Private child care provider rate increases were implemented August 1, 2018.
- Apprenticeship program is underway.
- Third year of Fostering Success has concluded with expansion into other state agencies, private sector, and onsite coaches to support youth and their employer.

On the Horizon: Families First Prevention Services Act (FFPSA) (Pub. L. 115-123)

- On February 9, 2018, the FFPSA was enacted.
- The state will be able to use federal Title IV-E funds for a portion or share of evidence-based prevention services and programs. Historically, these funds have been utilized for foster care maintenance and adoption assistance.
- Standards or criteria for the prevention services/programs and requirements affecting foster care maintenance payments are attached to the option.
- State funds must also be available to cover costs not associated with the federal share/portion.
- States can opt in as early as October 1, 2019, but all states must comply by October 1, 2021.
- Kentucky is going FIRST!



Summary

- The Child Welfare Transformation Structure encompasses implementation of House Bill 1, the Executive Branch Budget, the state's Program Improvement Plan resulting from the federal Child and Family Services Review, Family First Prevention Services Act, and the Governor's overall charge.
- Consultative resources have been secured through the federal Children's Bureau, Annie E. Casey Foundation, Casey Family Programs, Public Consulting Group, Mary Willoughby, university partners, and stakeholders.
- A communication plan is under development.



THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF AN ORGANIZATION ARE THE RESULTS OF THE COMBINED EFFORT OF EACH INDIVIDUAL.

Vince Lombardi



Questions?



We want Kentucky to be the absolute best model for foster care in the United States... - Governor Bevin

