

CA Worker Health & Safety Visits With Child Required Information for Documentation

These topics and questions are meant to help guide your observations and conversations with the child during your monthly health and safety visit. Document your contact with the child within 3 calendar days in FamLink case notes.

The assigned social worker or another qualified CA worker is required to document the **bold** subjects in case notes.

Private Individual Face-to-Face Discussion with Child/Youth:

- Does the child feel safe or have concerns about their home or placement?
- **Discuss with an age appropriate child the child's case plan.**
- **Ask for the child's input into the case plan and include permanency.**
- **What are the child's needs, wants and progress?**
- **What is the child's interest in and pursuit of normal childhood activities?**
- **If the youth is pregnant discuss service needs and referrals, the youth's role as a parent, the youth's education plans and Independent Living Services, the importance, when appropriate and safe, of ongoing engagement with the father of the unborn child.**
- **Are they visiting with parent(s), how are visits going?**
- **Did siblings placed separately in out-of-home care receive twice monthly visits or contacts?**
- How do their caregivers provide safety and support?
- Who they would call in an emergency?
- Does their caretaker need any in-home assistance, respite, or support?
- What is the daily routine (meals, school work, play, bedtime)
- **How is school/child care?**
- What do they eat for breakfast, lunch, dinner? Do they get enough to eat?
- What do they do for fun? (friends, activities, hobbies, interests)
- What activities are they participating in to support ethnic, cultural & religious well-being?
- What makes them happy or sad?
- How are they disciplined, what are they disciplined for?
- Discuss any concerns with therapy or medication (as applicable).
- Ask about any other comments, concerns, and questions.
- **The assigned social worker confirms each child capable of reading, writing and using the telephone has a card with the social worker's name, office address, and phone number.**

Observations of Child/Youth: With **non-verbal children or infants**, the assigned social worker's observation is important to determine if there are any concerns.

- **Is the child developmentally, socially and emotionally on track?**
- **How does the child appear physically? (Appropriate weight, good hygiene, socially engaged)**
- Does the child appear attached to the caregiver?
- How does the caretaker respond to the child's verbal and nonverbal cues?
- Describe the child's living space, are their age appropriate toys?
- **Is the home environment free of safety concerns?**

[See also CA Intranet - Policy Updates - Monthly Health and Safety Visits](#)