



Family Needs Assessment

Section	Question	Answer
Admin	When is this assessment being completed (intake or exit)?	
Permanency	How are the kinship children in your care related to you (grandchildren, siblings, nephews/nieces, first or second cousins, non-relative extended family members)?	
Permanency	<p>What is your legal relationship to the kinship children in your care?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Informal Agreement: no involvement with the local Child Welfare Agency or the court (includes an affidavit, power or attorney, or signed letter from the children’s parents) • Dependency Case: children placed in home by Child Welfare Services because of abuse or neglect (12-18 months, court involvement) • Voluntary Case: children placed in home by Child Welfare Services because of abuse or neglect (6 months, no court involvement) • Prevention Case: children placed in home by Child Welfare Services because of abuse or neglect (1 month, no court involvement) • Probate Court Guardianship: legal guardianship granted in probate court after caregiver filed • Juvenile Court Guardianship: legal guardianship granted in juvenile court after reunification failed during open dependency case • Family Court Custody: legal custody granted in family court after caregiver joined previously opened custody case by parents • Juvenile Court Adoption: adoption granted after reunification failed during open dependency case • Independent Adoption: adoption granted without Child Welfare involvement 	
Permanency	What is the primary reason that the biological mother is not raising the kinship children?	
Permanency	How often does the biological mother have contact with the kinship children?	
Permanency	What is the primary reason that the biological father is not raising the kinship children?	

Permanency	How often does the biological father have contact with the kinship children?	
Income	Do you have income to financially support yourself?	
Income	Do you receive public assistance to financially support the kinship children in your care?	
Income	What is your average monthly household income?	
Income	What sources make up your average monthly household income (wages, TANF/CalWORKs, etc.)?	
Basic Needs	Do you have enough food for yourself and the kinship children in your care?	
Basic Needs	Do you have enough clothing for yourself and the kinship children in your care?	
Basic Needs	Do you have stable housing for yourself and the kinship children in your care?	
Basic Needs	Do you have running water and gas/electric for yourself and the kinship children in your care?	
Basic Needs	Do you have adequate bedding for yourself and the kinship children in your care?	
Childcare	<p>Which of the following describes your current childcare need?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The children in my care do not have a need for childcare (for example: child's age, caregiver does not work, etc.) • The children in my care have a need for care and I already have an affordable, high-quality provider for them • The children in my care have a need for care and I already have a provider for them, but the provider is not affordable and/or high-quality • The children in my care have a need for care and I do not have a provider for them • 	
Education	Are the children in your care enrolled in school?	
Education	Do the children in your care attend school regularly?	
Education	Are the educational needs of your children being met (for example: tutoring, special education services, etc.)?	
Education	Do the children in your care participate in at least one enrichment activity?	

Health	Do you have medical insurance for yourself?	
Health	Do you have medical insurance for the children in your care?	
Health	Do you have a medical home (primary doctor or clinic) for yourself?	
Health	Do you have a medical home (primary doctor or clinic) for the children in your care?	
Health	Do you have dental insurance for yourself?	
Health	Do you have dental insurance for the children in your care?	
Health	Do you have a dental home (primary dentist or clinic) for yourself?	
Health	Do you have a dental home (primary dentist or clinic) for the children in your care?	
Mental Health	Do you have access to mental health care for yourself?	
Mental Health	Do you have access to mental health care for the children in your care?	
Mental Health	Are the children in your care receiving professional mental health services to heal from trauma?	
Mental Health	Do you know how to use positive discipline with the children in your care?	
Mental Health	Are you able to take a break from your responsibilities as a caregiver?	