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Appendix A: Progress Evaluation Facilitative Objectives

	Information Sources	Facilitative Objectives and Assessment Content
MINIMUM MONTHLY CONTACTS	Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s) Child Welfare Professional maintains acceptable amount of contact with caregivers to reinforce working relationship and facilitate change	 Reinforce engagement and collaboration Support Caregiver Self-Determination Accurate perception of conditions resulting in Impending Danger Emphasize what must change related to diminished Caregiver Protective Capacities Encourage accurate perception, agreement, and/or continued commitment regarding Outcomes for Change (enhanced Caregiver Protective Capacities) Support caregiver involvement in addressing and meeting the needs of children Address caregiver motivational readiness for change Assess the sufficiency of in-home safety plans Consider the potential for a less intrusive safety plan Consider the need to step up the level of intrusiveness of the safety plan
MINIMUM MONTHLY CONTACTS	Children Child Welfare Professionals maintain acceptable amount of contact to effectively manage child safety and assure that the needs of children are met. It is important that contact with children coincide with the scheduling of the progress evaluation.	 Assess child safety Elicit impressions from children regarding safety plan sufficiency Assess the needs of children Consider progress being made in addressing the needs of children
MINIMUM MONTHLY CONTACTS	Case Plan Service Providers Child Welfare Professional maintains Reasonable Contact with Service Providers to facilitate change	 The approach to change oriented service provision Evaluate efforts made by change service providers to address outcomes Evaluate efforts being made by caregivers to address case plan outcomes Evaluate caregiver participation in change oriented services Consider barriers to service provision and/or barriers to change Elicit feedback regarding changes that might influence safety plan sufficiency
MINIMUM MONTHLY CONTACTS	Safety Plan Service Providers Child Welfare Professional maintains an acceptable amount of contact with safety plan service providers to assure continued safety plan sufficiency	 Evaluate changes that could influence the sufficiency of safety plan Verify the amount and frequency of safety services Determine continued commitment of safety plan service providers Consider the need for adjustment to the safety plan

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PROGRESS EVALUATION TEAM MEETING	Case Plan Team: Caregivers Change Service Providers Safety Plan Service Providers Children (as appropriate)	Objectives include reaching conclusions regarding the following: • Effectiveness of the case plan • Sufficiency of the Safety Plan • Progress toward achieving case plan outcomes • The need for revising the Safety Plan • The need for revising the case plan Specific discussions with family and team members should include: • Status of impending danger safety influences; • Progress in enhancing caregiver protective capacities; • Existing caregiver protective capacities that support change; • Specific indicators for measuring observable behavioral change; • Progress in achieving conditions for return (reunification); • Safety planning analysis related to the least intrusive provision of protection and the sufficiency of safety plans; • Caregiver motivational readiness; • Caregiver participation in case plan service delivery; • Addressing child needs; • Anticipated date by which the child will return home or achieve another identified permanency outcome; and • Effectiveness of case plans services and verification that case plan services are occurring as directed. • Assessment of family visitation and need for change to visitation plan
TEAM MEETI NG FOLLOW-UP	Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s) Child Welfare Professional follows up with caregivers to debrief review revisions to the safety plan and/or case plan as applicable	 Review the conclusions regarding the status of progress related to enhancing Caregiver Protective Capacities. Discuss and confirm revisions to the safety plan.** If progress evaluation resulted in a determination to proceed with reunification, begin planning when and how the reunification process will occur. Discuss and confirm revisions to the case plan. Emphasize how revisions to the case plan are intended to address outcomes for change. Seek and/or renew a commitment from caregivers to actively participate in change-oriented services.