



DCFS 101: Best Practices in Working with Foster Youth

for Workforce Systems Partners
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Questions + Answers from the Chat

What is General Neglect?

- “Child abuse or neglect” and “abuse or neglect” have the same meaning as defined in [Ch. 351, Sec. 5. \(AB 496\) Effective January 1, 2020](#) and [Section 11165.6 of the Penal Code](#).

What percentage of the kids opt into EFC, and what's available for those who don't opt in?

- 95% of foster youth opt into extended foster care (EFC)
- Any youth who was placed in Out-of-Home Care qualifies for ILP [supportive services](#) and [ILP housing](#): [ILP-ONLINE: Forms](#)
- Questions, comments, complaints – contact the [Ombudsman Office](#)

What if a youth comes into our center as kin-gap? How may we assist them ?

- Kin-Gap young adults are ILP kids – they don't have a CSW/court case: [Are you eligible?](#)

We should definitely follow-up with a presentation on what strategies are efficient and non-efficient when reaching out to our Foster Youth.

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How can we help the high priority 14-21 youth? How are they referred to services? We can help students graduate with a HS diploma in one year or less. ACCT Program, LAUSD.

- Engaging with high-priority youth to discuss career interests and share your unique college and career journey. Creating a college and career orientated culture in your role is vital to help foster youth dream about their future.
- [Youth@Work Flyer. for Young Adults and Supportive Adults](#)
 - o [Youth@Work ARS Foster Youth Referral](#)
 - o Please share the information about LAUSD's ACCT program for us to share out. Thank you!

How do youth access these transit passes, is this online?

- The application for annual tap cards is available:
 - o [Transportation Youth on the Move Program](#) or
 - o [Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services - Steps to Independent Living](#)

Do clients who are AB12 qualify for housing through LAHSA? Or will they have to close their case?

- AB 12 clients are Non-Minor Dependents ([NMD](#)) and are placed by a social worker in a [Transitional Housing Placement Program-NMD](#) or a Supervised Independent Living Placement ([SILP](#)).
- LAHSA works with a young adult once their case has been closed. Foster youth 18-20 are eligible for [ILP Transitional Housing](#) or [Mental Health Transitional Housing](#)
- The YCES access points also have [Problem Solvers \(Problem Solvers Training\)](#) and [DCFS/Probation Liaisons](#) who support young adults and collaborate with the [DCFS Housing Team](#).
- [ILP-Online Housing Resources](#)

Are all youth in EFC in AB12 units or just those with higher need?

- All youth who are in out-of-home foster care at 17 1/2 are on track to move into extended foster care. ALL youth in out-of-home care who reach age 18 are eligible. There is criteria to opt in. You can google AB12 Extended Foster Care for details.

What is Jenny's contact information?

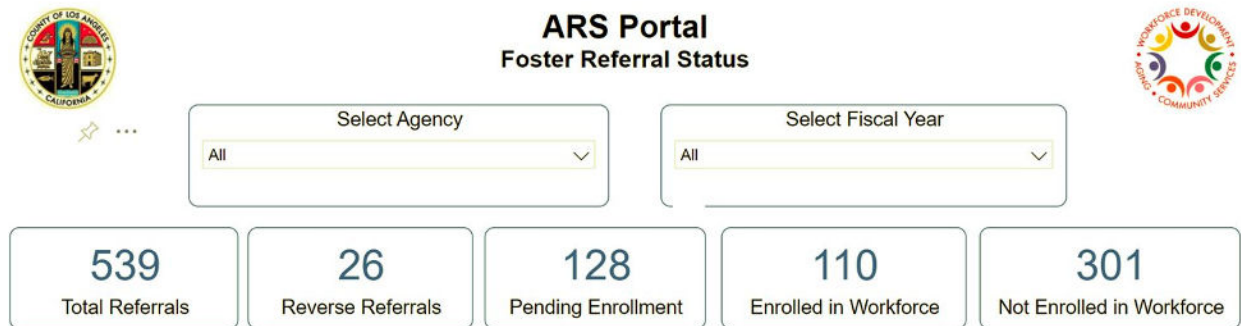
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Would it be kind of the same protocol for probationary foster youth?

- Yes, for probation youth who are ILP eligible are referred through ARS.
- Youth on community probation can apply via WDACS [Youth@Work](#)

How many kids are in ARS?

- July 1, 2020 to Sept 18, 2020



What about youth in camps that are foster, are they interned in the ARS ?

- Probation youth in camps are not eligible when they are in camp for ARS referral, but there are specialized workforce programs that many AJCCs are involved in within the camps. Once they leave, and if they return to foster care placement, they may be referred to us for ARS.

Please consider adding racialized trauma to this list

- Yes! Thank you for the recommendation!!

This is fantastic. May we get a copy of the recording sent through email, please?

- Yes! As soon as Teams prepares the playback. We will send it along.

Will we be notified of the second half? And how will we be able to get a copy of this recording? This has been AWESOME!

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Will we be getting a certificate? Anything to confirm attendance?

- Please use the [PowerPoint](#), this [FAQ](#) and the [evaluation](#) as proof of attendance.
- If you need anything else, please email us: info@laoyc.org

How will we contact you if we have more questions? How can we contact others that are in this meeting?

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What's the best way to contact staff at the various DCFS offices particularly when we need to identify a staff who is working with a youth?

- YDS Contact Rosters - [Youth Development Services Division \(YDS\)](#)
- Email: ilp.jobs@dcfs.lacounty.gov

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- [DCFS 101 Training Evaluation](#)