

## Summary of Substance Use Services Available to Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS) Involved Families

### Screening and Assessment Services

**DCFS Drug Testing Program, Urine Sample Collection for Drug and Alcohol Testing Services:** On-demand, weekly and random drug testing services are provided through a vendor. On-demand tests are typically one-time events, most often used in Emergency Response. Clients can be enrolled in weekly or random testing as a component of the case plan. Clients receiving substance abuse treatment can also be receiving regular drug testing through various treatment programs, such as the *Promoting Safe and Stable Families Time Limited Family Reunification* and *Dependency Drug Court* programs – see below for more detail. To refer a client for a drug test, reference *DCFS Procedural Guide 1200-500.30 DCFS Countywide Alcohol and Drug Testing Program*.

**Up Front Assessment (UFA):** Psychosocial assessments are conducted by various Family Preservation agencies for Emergency Response referrals involving mental health issues and/or domestic violence and/or substance use. The assessment tool used is the Behavioral Severity Assessment. To refer a client for a UFA, reference *DCFS Procedural Guide 0070-548.00 Point of Engagement: Up Front Assessment*

**GAIN/Linkages/ California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs):** Various services, including substance use assessment and treatment are available for clients who are receiving services through the Department of Public Social Services. The CalWORKs program is a welfare program that gives cash aid and services to eligible needy California families. Eligible families include families that have a child(ren) in the home who has been deprived of parental support or care because of the absence, disability or death of either parent; families with a child(ren) when both parents are in the home but the principal earner is unemployed; and needy caretaker relatives of a foster child(ren). To refer a client, reference *DCFS Procedural Guide 0080-504.15 Integration of California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs) Service Plans Into Case Plan Updates*.

**Community Assessment Service Center (CASC):** Various services, described in the listing below, including assessment and referral to substance use treatment services are available through 19 centers located throughout Los Angeles County. The CASC can help refer clients to the five substance use treatment programs noted below. To refer a client, reference the attached listing and contact the CASC closest to your client's residence. You (the CSW) can also provide the client with a letter on DCFS letterhead with your name and contact information, indicating that you are requesting an assessment. *Note: For offices that participated in the Project SAFE pilot program, the referral process and report for referrals to the CASCs will be different from the Project SAFE program. Contact the CASC in your service area for detail.*

- GAIN/Linkages/ California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs)
- Community Clients
- Female Offenders Project and Parolee Services Network
- Second Chance Women's Re-Entry Court Program
- Drug Medi-Cal Perinatal

### Treatment Services

**Promoting Safe and Stable Families Time Limited Family Reunification (PSSF TLFR) Program:** This program allows DCFS involved families with at least one child placed in out of home care for 15 months or less to receive substance abuse treatment services, including routine drug testing. Families eligible for CalWORKs and General Relief and families receiving Family Maintenance services only or Voluntary services are ineligible. To refer a client, contact Jonathan Sydes, Children's Services Administrator I, at (213) 351-3230.

**Family Substance Abuse Treatment Program (Dependency Drug Court or DDC):** This program provides substance abuse treatment services, including routine drug testing, aftercare services, and coordinated case management to families in six pilot DCFS offices. The participating offices are Lancaster and Palmdale (SPA 1), Metro North (SPA 4), Vermont Corridor (SPA 6), Belvedere (SPA 7) and Torrance (SPA 8). In order to participate in this program, clients must have a court-monitored case and the client must voluntarily agree to participate in the program. Eligibility criteria excludes cases involving an open criminal case conflicting with the Dependency Court, cases involving severe domestic violence, serious or overriding mental health concerns, and cases involving sexual abuse. To refer a client, reference *DCFS Procedural Guide 0600-509.00 Dependency Drug Court (DDC) / Family Substance Abuse Treatment Program (FTSAP)*.