## **Resource Guide for Training Requirements**

## This is a supportive document of the Training Expectations found within applicable Service Standards

- A. Service provider employees are required to complete general training competencies at various levels, depending on the employees' level of contact with DCS clients.
- B. The Training Requirement Checklist provides an outline of expectations for each module, listed below.
  - 1. **Module I** is required for all staff who do not provide direct service, but have any contact with DCS clients on a regular and continuing basis, and/or have electronic or physical access to DCS client records.
  - 2. **Module II** is required for all staff who provide direct service to DCS clients within a DCS service standard.
    - a. This includes staff who provide services in an office or clinic setting, as well as community, home, and field based staff.
  - 3. **Module III** is required for all staff who work with DCS clients outside of the clinic or office setting within a DCS service standard.
    - a. This includes work in the client's home or community.
    - b. These training topics are required to be completed BEFORE work occurs outside of the clinic or office.
  - 4. Module IV is required for all staff who transport DCS clients.
    - a. This includes regular transportation as well as any staff member who may transport a client in an emergency or short-staffing (fill in for other roles) situation.
    - b. These training topics are required to be completed BEFORE transportation occurs.
  - 5. Timelines for the completion of each training competency is provided within the Training Checklist.
  - 6. The modules are progressive if a staff member provides direct service in the office, they are required to complete modules I and II. If a staff member transports a child to a visit, for example, they are required to complete all four modules.
- C. The Shadowing Checklist is an expectation within Modules II-IV. This checklist is also available on the website indicated above.
- D. Training Competencies, Curricula, and Resources are available on the website listed above.
  - 1. DCS has developed mandatory curricula for the following training content, to be completed at appropriate within the required modules:
    - a. DCS 101
    - b. Abuse/Neglect/Hotline Reporting
  - 2. DCS Legal and Testifying is also mandatory curricula.
    - a. Substitutions for this curricula require DCS Legal Team approval and may not be granted
    - b. Requests may be submitted to <u>ChildWelfarePlan@dcs.in.gov</u>
  - 3. For all other training competencies, agencies may utilize resources provided, develop their own resources, or utilize an outside training source to fulfill expectations.
    - a. Alternate curricula must include competencies listed on the DCS website
    - b. DCS approval is not required for these competencies, but agencies may be asked to provide content at any time
  - 4. Completed Training Requirement and Shadowing Checklists should be kept in the employees' personnel file for the duration of their employment with your agency.
    - a. Agencies may substitute training requirements and forms, as long as the above requirements are met and documented.