

	INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF CHILD SERVICES CHILD WELFARE POLICY	
	Chapter 6: Court Section 15: Court Process for Qualified Residential Treatment Program (QRTP) Admission	
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POLICY OVERVIEW

After a child is admitted to a Qualified Residential Treatment Program (QRTP), the court assesses whether the QRTP is best for the child.

POLICY STATEMENT

The Indiana Department of Child Services (DCS) will ask for a hearing about 45 days after the child is admitted to a QRTP for the court to:

1. Assess if the placement is suitable; and
2. Approve or disapprove of the QRTP.

Note: The court will continue to assess whether the QRTP is best for the child at each hearing while the child is in the QRTP.

LEGAL REFERENCES

- [42 USC 672: FOSTER CARE MAINTENANCE PAYMENTS PROGRAM](#)