

Resource Parent Interview Guide

(To be completed during OJT. This is a guide to be used by the CW Specialist in a face-to-face interview with a resource parent and is not just be handed to a resource parent to be filled out and handed back to the CW Specialist.)

- 1) How long have you been a resource parent? How many children have you had placed in your home (approximately)?

- 2) What is the best part (or what do you love) about being a resource parent?

- 3) What is most frustrating or difficult about being a resource parent?

- 4) Do you believe in the idea of working with birth parents? Why or why not?

- 5) Do you participate in Initial Meetings with birth parents?

- 6) How would you describe your working relationship with Child Welfare Services (CW Specialist)?

- 7) Please share a few examples of how CW Specialist has been helpful to you or to a child placed with you.

- 8) Please share a few examples of how CW Specialist has not been helpful to you or to a child placed with you.

- 9) How could CW Specialist have been more helpful to you in those situations?

- 10) What are a few suggestions you would have for how CW Specialist could improve relationships with resource parents?

Note to CW Specialist: Be sure to thank the resource parent for taking the time to meet with you and share his/her experiences!

Case Transfer/Initial Meeting/Family Team Meeting/Child Safety Meeting
Shadow Form

Section 1

(Please complete Section 1 with your Supervisor)

Mentor Name:

Date of Shadow Experience:

CW Specialist's Name:

Purpose of Meeting:

Case Transfer

Initial Meeting

FTM

CSM

Section 2

(Please complete Section 2 after observing the meeting)

1. Explain how the CW Specialist prepared for the meeting.
2. Name all attendees and his/her roles with the agency or family.
3. Summarize the purpose of, discussions, and reactions to the meeting.
4. CW Specialist's observation as to how this process will assist the CW Specialist, child and family.