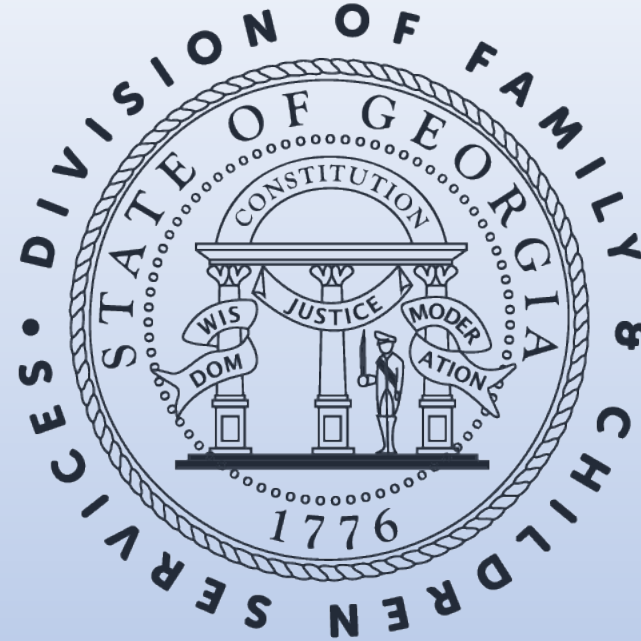




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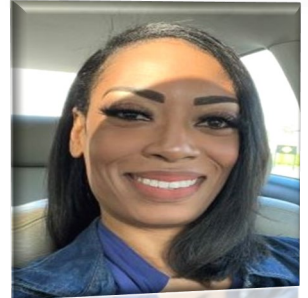
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Agenda

Monthly Data Overview

Transfer Policy

CareSolutions Transfer Overview in
GASCORE

Preparing questions for re-evaluations

Reminders

June 2024 Unapproved Homes

Total of *80 Unapproved Homes

0 Overdue SAFE Updates 😊

24 Missing OIG
21 HH Members Turned 18
8 Medicals
6 CPR/1st Aid
4 Reopening within 3 years
17 Other

*Providers must routinely review GA
SCORE Home Compliance Alerts



INTER-COUNTY AND INTER-AGENCY POLICY

POLICY 14.24

TRANSFER PROCESS FOR APPROVED CAREGIVERS



INFORM CAREGIVERS THAT THEY CAN ONLY SERVE AS A FOSTER FAMILY FOR ONE AGENCY AT A TIME (COUNTY DFCS OR A SINGLE CPA).



ASK CAREGIVERS TO SIGN THE ROI SO THAT INFORMATION MAY BE SHARED BETWEEN THE AGENCIES INVOLVED.

TRANSFER PROCESS FOR APPROVED CAREGIVERS

REQUEST AND REVIEW THE CAREGIVER'S FAMILY EVALUATION FROM THE PREVIOUS AGENCY.



THIS INCLUDES SUBSEQUENT EVALUATIONS, PRE-SERVICE TRAINING CERTIFICATE, DOCUMENTATION OF TRAINING HOURS, AND HISTORY OF POLICY VIOLATIONS AND/OR CORRECTIVE ACTION PLANS.

TRANSFER PROCESS FOR APPROVED CAREGIVERS

UTILIZE AN ABBREVIATED FOSTER HOME RE-EVALUATION (SAFE UPDATE) PROCESS TO ASSESS FAMILY:

A. DETERMINE IF ANY COMPONENTS OF THE FAMILY EVALUATION ARE MISSING OR NEED TO BE UPDATED (MEDICAL EVALUATIONS, DRUG SCREENS, ETC.)

B. CONDUCT CPS SCREENING AND FINGERPRING-BASED CRIMINAL RECORDS CHECKS ON ADULT HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS.

C. CONDUCT BACKGROUND SCREENINGS: DOC, SEX OFFENDER, PARDONS & PAROLES, AND DEPT. OF DRIVER SERVICES.

TRANSFER PROCESS FOR APPROVED CAREGIVERS



Request a recommendation from the previous agency regarding the caregivers' protective capacities and confirmation from the DFCS or CPA director/designee that the caregivers are active and in good standing.



Conduct at least one family consultation.



Submit the SAFE home study for supervisory approval and final approval from the DFCS or CPA director.



Provide written notification of the approval decision to the applicant.

TRANSFER PROCESS FOR APPROVED CAREGIVERS

IF THE FAMILY DECIDES TO TRANSFER BETWEEN AGENCIES PRIOR TO ATTAINING APPROVAL, THEN THE STANDARD INTAKE AND APPROVAL PROCEDURES FOR PROSPECTIVE CAREGIVERS SHALL APPLY.

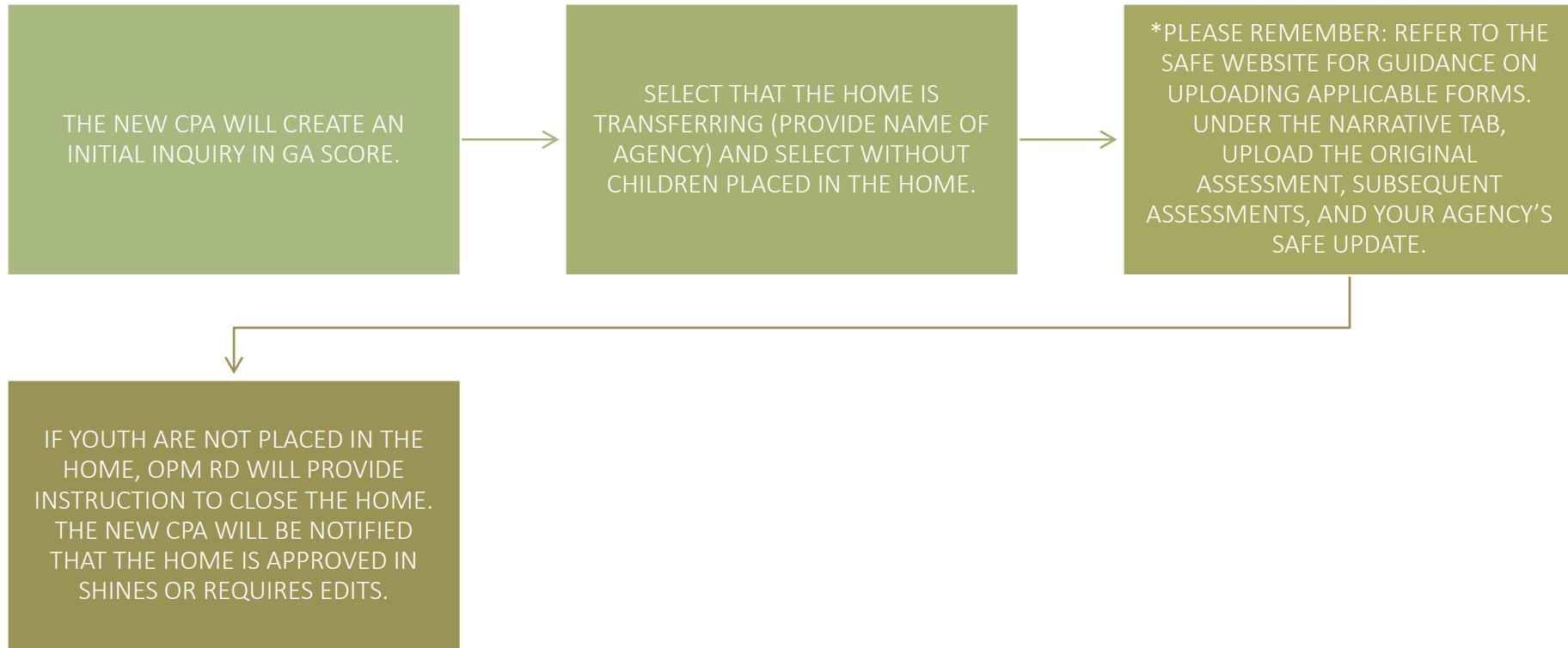
STANDARD INTAKE AND APPROVAL PROCESSES SHALL ALSO APPLY IN THE FOLLOWING INSTANCES:

A. INFORMATION FROM THE PREVIOUS AGENCY IS UNABLE TO BE OBTAINED.

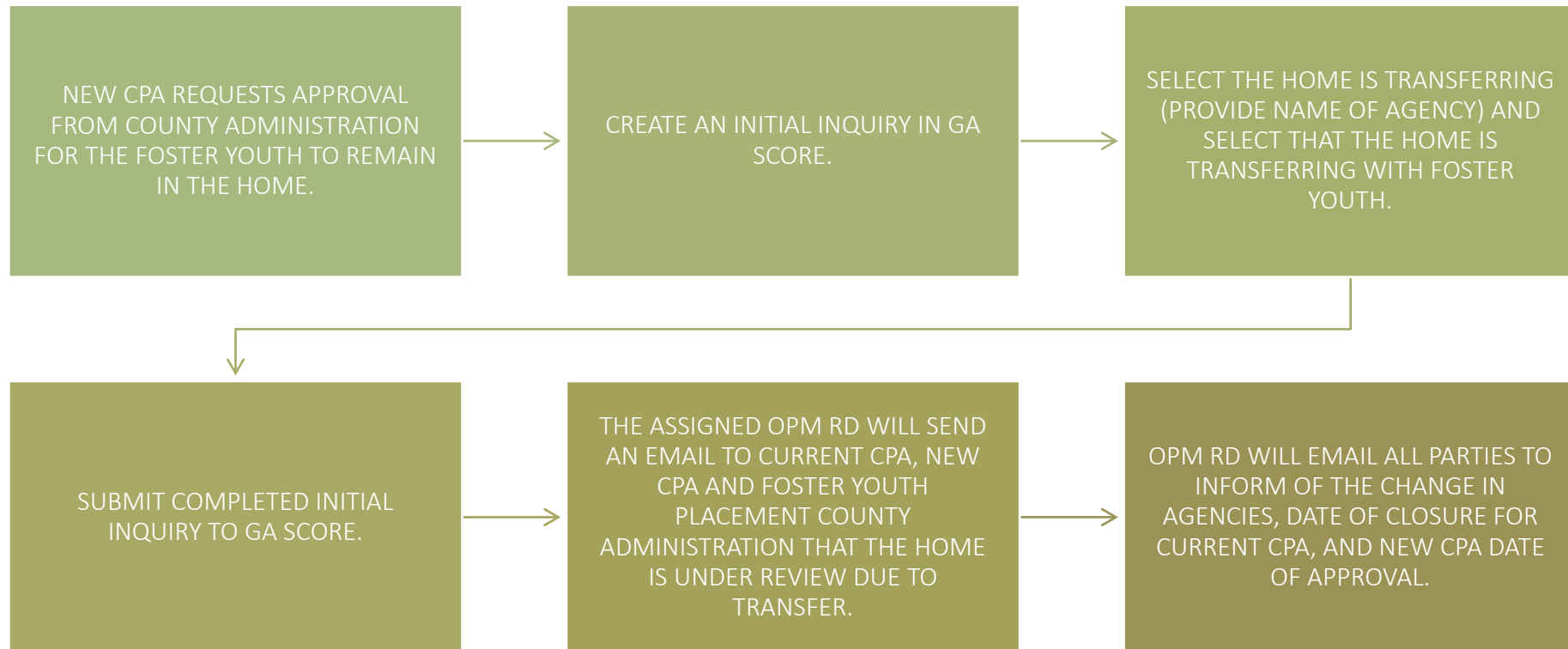
B. INFORMATION FROM THE PREVIOUS AGENCY INDICATES A FAMILY HAS BEEN VOLUNTARILY INACTIVE FOR MORE THAN FIVE YEARS.

C. INFORMATION FROM THE PREVIOUS AGENCY INDICATES A FAMILY WAS NOT IN GOOD STANDING.

CPA TRANSFER STEPS – NO CHILDREN IN THE HOME



CPA TRANSFER STEPS – CHILDREN IN THE HOME



INTERNAL CPA SITE RELOCATION

CPA will notify Care Solutions, OPM RD on duty, and Provider Relations Manager that the family has moved and needs assistance with moving the family to the new site location.

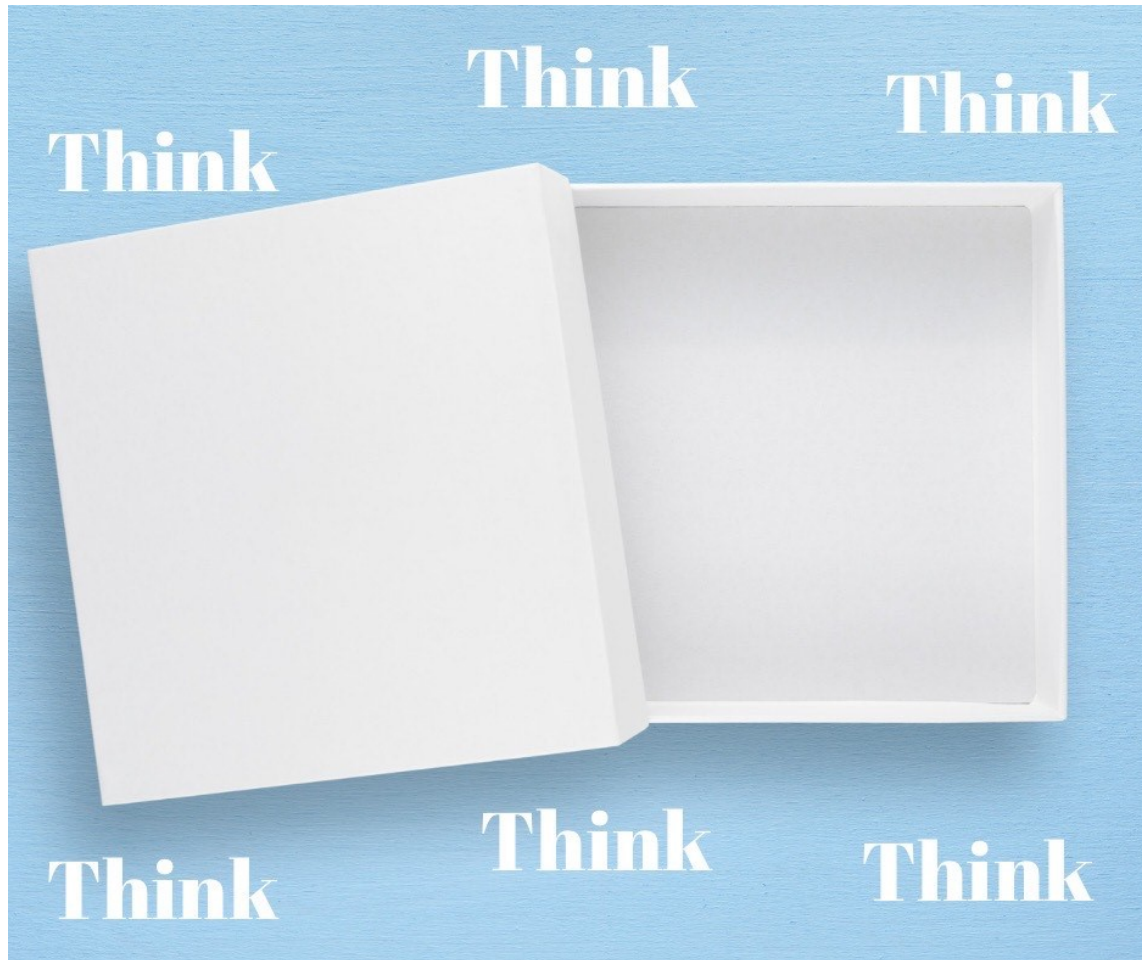
CareSolutions will provide notification to the CPA that the home has moved to new CPA site location.

CPA will complete an address change addendum. 14.14 guidelines.

The CPA will indicate within address addendum that the family moved from CPA site A to CPA site B.

OPM RD will update the address in SHINES, unlink from site A and link to site B.

*OPM RD will notify CPA, DFCS CM (or DIS) to update SHINES to update youth placement log. (If applicable).



What Should I Ask?

Review the initial home study and/or the previous re-evaluations.

Review the previous harvesting sheet.

Use the Update Questionnaire as a guide; however, challenge yourself to think outside the box.

Review internal documentation from the monthly/quarterly home visits made by your agency.

Lindy was able to self-identify areas of strengths as well as areas of limitations. The following specialized parenting factors were determined to be strengths based on this assessor's interactions with Lindy: discipline, separation and loss, therapeutic and educational resources, and birth sibling relationships. She seems aware of how each of these issues affects the children in care and has intent on improving her skills in these areas through additional training and collaborating with other foster parents who might have cared for children in the circumstances she might have concerns about. Lindy's references reflected that she holds a level of empathy and understanding for the feelings of children who have experienced these issues, abuse, and neglect. She is willing to engage in community events to build her network of support more locally. She is also willing to join ABC's support group and learn from other ABC families.

What makes you curious?

What makes you curious?

Personal Characteristics (Evaluation)

Dr. Charles White of Aylo Health, her doctor of over 10 years, noted that Tylenol 4 may impact her performance of tasks related to the care of children, however Tess only takes this medication as needed. She stated when she first began taking the medication, it made her feel tired. However, there is no current impact. She no longer experiences this symptom and believes it is because she is used to taking the medication now. This was corroborated by her son who lives in the home and attested that he has never seen his mother behave strangely because of her medication. However, due to her doctor's report, Tess was asked to create a safety plan for whenever she feels the need to take the medication (on average she uses it once or twice a week). She reported that her close friend who is also a CNA, Charna will be able to assist. Charna resides approximately ten minutes from Tess's home. She works from home and is willing to set up her workstation at Tess's home to assist Tess with supervision whenever she takes the medication. This assessor verified this plan on a call with Charna on 8/15/2024. She expressed that she is more than willing to assist Tess when needed.

Winston reported he was in military combat in 1991, Operation Desert Storm and Operation Desert Shield. He stated he was a Navy Jet Technician. He served for 5 years. Winston served in the US Navy from 1991 – 1996. During that time, he was deployed to Iraq and was in combat. He stated as an Aviation Tech, he was not required to be on the battlefield and did not witness death. He reported being responsible for ensuring the planes were equipped and ready. Winston did share because of the constant loud noises he became custom to during that time, prevented him from sleeping at night for a short period, but other than that, he was given a clean bill of health. Winston stated because of his sleep pattern, he would always seek employment for overnight shifts. Winston shared he has never had any negative effects of being in combat and has never been diagnosed or treated for PTSD or any other mental illness.

What makes you curious?

Reminders



Please ensure that your agency has begun reviewing the new updates to Chapter 14 in ODIS.



Medicals have moved to the 2-year update if the caregiver is dealing with a chronic condition. Updates continue until the condition is controlled. 14.13.



Forms and documents for initials should not exceed 1 year; 90 days for re-evaluations



Please utilize DFCS Foster Care Policy 14 and the SAFE Desk Guide/Consortium



Revised forms are located on the SAFE website, <https://www.safehomestudy.org/>



The CPA assumes the responsibility of the home as the final approving authority.



Face to Face visits with families resumed in April 2023. **Please take photos of the home when visits are completed.**



QUESTIONS/CONCERNS



Helpful Resources

- ODIS <https://odis.dhs.ga.gov/General>
- RBWO minimum standards
https://www.gascore.com/documents/FY23_RBWO_Minimum_Standards_update.pdf
- SAFE website
<https://www.safehomestudy.org/>
- Care Solutions - support@gascore.com
- OPM RD Team – OPM RD Duty Calendar