

Foster Care Commonly Used Acronyms

300	(Defined by WIC 300) Victims of child abuse or/and neglect
600	(Defined by WIC 602) Juveniles become wards of the court after committing a crime
AAP	Adoption Assistance Program (Adoption subsidy)
AB	Assembly Bill
ACF	Administration Children, Youth and Families (Federal)
ACIN	All County Information Notice (distributed by CDSS)
ACL	All County Letter (distributed by CDSS)
ADA	Average Daily Attendance OR Americans with Disability Act
AFCARS	Adoption & Foster Care Analysis System
AFDC-FC	Aid to Families with Dependent Children-Foster Care
APPLA	Another Permanent Planned Living Arrangements
ARC	Approved Relative Caregivers
ASFA	Adoption and Safe Families Act
BHS	Behavioral Health Services
CalSWEC	California Social Worker Education Center
CANS	Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths
CAPTA	Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act
CASA	Court Appointed Special Advocate
CBHDA	County Behavioral Health Directors Association of California
CBO	Community-Based Organization
CDPH	California Department of Public Health
CIBHS	California Institute for Behavioral Health Solutions
CCF	Community Care Facility
CCL	Community Care Licensing
CCR	Continuum of Care Reform
CDSS	California Department of Social Services
CFH	Certified Family Home
CFL	County Fiscal Letter (distributed by CDSS)
CFSD	Children and Family Services Division (a subdivision of CDSS)
C-CFSR	California's Child and Family Services Review
CFT	Child & Family Team
CMS	Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
CP	Client Plan
CPM	Core Practice Model
CPOC	Chief Probation Officers of California
CQI	Continuous Quality Improvement
CSA	County Self-Assessment
CSAC	California State Association of Counties
CSEC	Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children
CWDA	County Welfare Directors Association of California
CWS	Child Welfare Services
CWS/CMS	Child Welfare System/Case Management System

CYC	California Youth Connection
DACA	Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals
DD	Developmentally Disabled
DDS	Department of Developmental Services
DEJ	Deferred Entry of Judgement AKA WIC 790
DHCS	Department of Health Care Services
DSM IV	Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM), 4th Edition
DSM V	Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM), 5th Edition
DTI	Day Treatment Intensive
DTO	Danger To Others
DTS	Danger To Self
EBP	Evidence-Based Practice
ED	Emotionally Disturbed (Special Education Term)
EFC	Extended Foster Care
EPSDT	Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment
FAPE	Free Appropriate Public Education
FCARB	Foster Care Audits and Rates Branch
FFA	Foster Family Agency
FFPSA	Families First Preventions Services Act
FFS	Fee for Service
FGDM	Family Group Decision Making
FM	Family Maintenance
FPRRS	Foster Parent Recruitment Retention and Support
FR	Family Reunification
FURS	Family Urgent Response System
HBFC	Home-Based Family Care
HIPAA	Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act
HSC	Health and Safety Code
ICC	Intensive Care Coordination
ICPC	Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children
ICPM	Integrated Core Practice Model (State of California)
ICWA	Indian Child Welfare Act
IEP	Individualized Education Plan
IHBS	Intensive Home-Based Services
ILP	Independent Living Program
ILS	Interim Licensing Standards
IN	Information Notice
IPC	Interagency Placement Committee
ISFC	Intensive Services Foster Care
ITFC	Intensive Treatment Foster Care
KinGAP	Kinship Guardianship Assistance Program
LCSW	Licensed Clinical Social Worker
LEA	Local Education Agency
LEA MC	Local Education Agency Medi-Cal
LGBTQQ	Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer and Questioning
LMHP	Licensed Mental Health Professional
LOC	Level of Care

MCP	Managed Care Plan
MEDS	Medi-Cal Eligibility Determination System
MHP	Mental Health Plan
MHSA	Mental Health Services Act
MHSUD	Mental Health Substance Use Disorder
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
NOA	Notice of Action
NREFM	Non-Relative Extended Family Member
NYTD	National Youth Transition Database
OCAP	Office of Child Abuse Prevention
OJJDP	Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention
PACT	Preventing and Addressing Child Trafficking OR Positive Achievement Change Tool
PC	Penal Code
PIN	Provider Information Notice (issued by CDSS)
PIP	Program Improvement Plan
PL	Public Law
POS	Performance Outcome System
PQCR	Peer Quality Case Review
PP	Promising Practice
POS	Performance Outcome System
PSP	Parenting Support Plan
QPI	Quality Parenting Initiative
RBS	Residentially-Based Services
RCL	Rate Classification Levels
RF	Resource Family
RFA	Resource Family Approval
ROI	Release of Information
RTA	Regional Training Academy
SAMHSA	Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration (Federal Agency)
SAWS	Statewide Automated Welfare System
SB	Senate Bill
SD/MC	Short Doyle/Medi-Cal
SED	Seriously Emotionally Disturbed
SELPA	Special Education Local Plan Area
SILP	Supervised Independent Living Plan
SIP	System Improvement Plan
SMHS	Specialty Mental Health Services
SOGIE	Sexual Orientation, Gender Identity, and Expression
SOP	Safety Organized Practice model
SST	Student Study Team
STRTP	Short-term Residential Therapeutic Program
SUD	Substance Use Disorder
TANF	Temporary Assistance for Needy Family
TAY	Transition Aged Youth
TBL	Trailer Bill Language
TBS	Therapeutic Behavioral Services
TDM	Team Decision Making (placement decisions meeting)

TFC	Therapeutic Foster Care
THP-M	Transitional Housing Placement for Minors
THP-NMD	Transitional Housing Placement for Non-Minor Dependents (formerly known as THP+FC)
THP-Plus	Transitional Housing Program Plus
TILP	Transitional Independent Living Plan
TOP	Treatment Outcome Package (Assessment Tool)
TSCF	Temporary Shelter Care Facility
WIC	Welfare & Institutions Code
YEP	Youth Engagement Project
YLC	Youth Law Center