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The Honorable Bruce Caswell, Chair  
Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on DHS  
Michigan State Senate  
Lansing, MI 48933

The Honorable Dave Agema, Chair  
House Appropriations Subcommittee on DHS  
Michigan House of Representatives  
Lansing, MI 48933

Dear Senator Caswell and Representative Agema:

The enclosed report is provided pursuant to PA 63 of 2011 Section 514, the Department of Human Services (DHS) Fiscal Year 2012 Appropriations Act and Sections 722.629a and 722.628d (5) & (6) of 1975 PA 238, the Child Protection Law. These sections require that DHS provide information on Children's Protective Services (CPS) statistical data and a list of significant CPS policy changes and court decisions implemented in the preceding fiscal year.

If you have any questions, comments, or would like additional information, please contact Suzanne Stiles Burke, Child Welfare Bureau Director, at (517) 241-8606.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susan Kangas".

Susan Kangas  
Chief Financial Officer

Enclosure

cc: Senate and House Appropriations Subcommittees  
Senate and House Fiscal Agencies  
Senate and House Policy Offices  
State Budget Director

**Department of Human Services  
2011 Children's Protective Services Comprehensive Report**

This comprehensive report provides the Children's Protective Services statistical information required pursuant to Section 514 of PA 63 of 2011.

**PA 63 of 2011 Sec. 514(a)(i)**

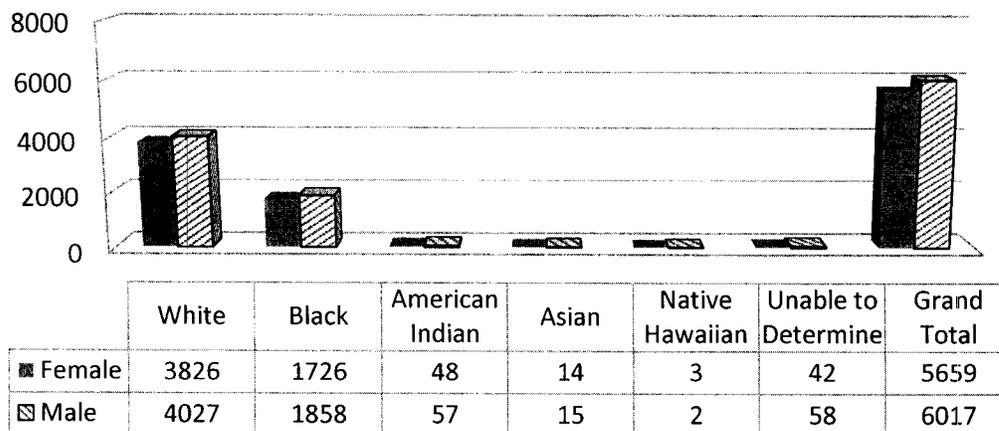
There were 83,627 total reports of abuse or neglect investigated in FY 2011 under the child protection law, 1975 PA 238, MCL 722.621 to 722.638. The cases classified under category I or category II totaled 11,657 and the cases classified under category III, category IV, or category V totaled 71,970.

<b>Investigated Reports and Classifications</b>	
Category I	5,138
Category II	6,519
Category III	10,412
Category IV	56,107
Category V	5,451
<b>Total</b>	<b>83,627</b>

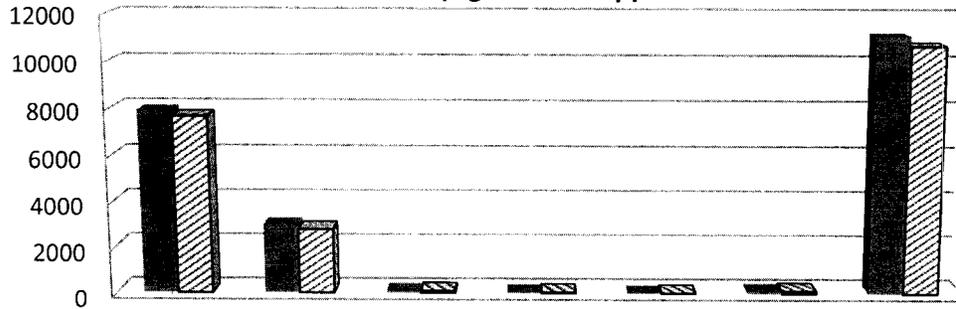
**PA 63 of 2011 Sec. 514(a)(ii)**

In 2011, 50% of all victims were female, 50% male, 70% of all victims were White, 28% were African American, and 2% were a combination of American Indian, Asian, Native Hawaiian or unable to determine, and 35% of all victims were age three and under.

**FY 2011 Victims of Abuse/Neglect by Race and Gender  
(Age: 3 and Under)**



**FY 2011 Victims of Abuse/Neglect by Race and Gender  
(Age: 4 and Up)**



	White	Black	American Indian	Asian	Native Hawaiian	Unable to Determine	Grand Total
■ F	7916	2988	79	41	2	99	11125
▨ M	7671	2789	79	44	4	98	10685

<b>Perpetrators of Abuse/Neglect</b>	
<b>Relation to Victim Description</b>	<b>Total</b>
Adoptive Parent	474
Adoptive Sibling	16
Aunt/Uncle	242
Biological Parent	19,681
Child Day Care Provider	12
Cousin	54
Foster Parent (non-relative)	56
Friends or Neighbors	47
Grandparent	422
Guardian	172
Half Sibling	19
Institutional Care Staff/Group Home	19
Licensed Unrelated Foster Care Provider	5
Non-relative	1,925
Other	224
Other Professionals	3
Other Relative	80
Putative Parent	167
Relative Foster Care Provider	44
Relative Licensed Foster Care Provider	3
Relative Unlicensed Provider	2
Sibling	84
Step Parent	1,400
Step Sibling	23
Unknown	148
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>25,322</b>

As of the date of this report, DHS cannot provide statistical information on the relationship to the victim, the age and race of the perpetrator but will provide the data in a follow up submission by March 1, 2012. CPS also does not capture data which indicates the incidence of child victim exposure to drug activity or a drug house. CPS does capture general substance abuse findings, as well as physical abuse perpetrated against a child born drug-exposed. This data will also be available for submission by March 1, 2012.

**PA 63 of 2011 Sec. 514(a)(iii)**

The chart below lists the mandatory reporter category in which the individual who made the report fits, or other categorization if the individual is not within a group required to report under the child protection law, 1975 PA 238, MCL 722.621 to 722.638.

<b>Mandated Reporters</b>		<b>Non Mandated Reporters</b>	
Audiologist	8	Anonymous	7,311
Child Care Provider	444	Court Personnel	1,053
Clergy	97	Friend/Neighbor	4,749
Coroner/Medical Examiner	41	Hospital/Clinic Personnel	362
Court Social Worker	379	New Birth Match	540
Dentist	66	Other	3,887
DHS Facility Personnel	313	Other Public Social Agency Personnel	467
DHS Facility Social Worker	2,289	Other School Personnel	523
DMH Facility Personnel	51	Parent/Sub in Home	2,488
DMH Facility Social Worker	582	Parent/Sub out of Home	5,775
Domestic Violence Providers	259	Relative	6,535
FIS/ES Worker/Supervisor	548	Sibling	216
Friend of Court	263	Victim	278
Hospital/Clinic Physician	1,574		
Hospital/Clinic Social Worker	6,172		
Law Enforcement	11,269		
Licensed Counselor	1,658		
Marriage/Family Therapist	592		
Nurse (Not School)	1,927		
Other Public Social Worker	2,013		
Other Social Worker	1,224		
Paramedic/EMT	55		
Private Agency Social Worker	2,663		
Private Physician	602		
Private Social Agency Personnel	360		
Psychologist	503		
School Administrator	2,775		
School Counselor	6,233		
School Nurse	248		
Social Services Specialist/Manager (CPS,	1,520		
Teacher	4,569		

**PA 63 of 2011 Sec. 514(a)(iv)**

In 2011, 3,176 cases involved a separation from the parent or legal guardian. This resulted in 5,848 children being separated from the parent or legal guardian. The period of time of the separation of these children from their parent or guardian cannot be captured through the Children's Protective Services program, however, the status of these separated children at the close of FY 2011 can be determined. Of the 5,848 children who were separated, 311 had their cases closed due to the termination of parental rights, 581 had their cases closed and either returned home or to another planned living arrangement, and 4,956 children were still active to a foster care case at the end of the fiscal year.

**PA 63 of 2011 Sec. 514(a)(v)**

For the reported complaints of abuse or neglect by teachers, school administrators, and school counselors, 1,227 cases were classified as category I or category II and 12,367 cases were classified as category III, category IV, and category V.

**PA 63 of 2011 Sec. 514(a)(vi)**

For the reported complaints of abuse or neglect by teachers, school administrators, and school counselors, 206 cases resulted in separation of the child from the parent or guardian. The period of time of that separation, up to and including termination of rights is not captured through the Children's Protective Services program. However, DHS can provide data on the status of the children separated as a result of complaints reported by teachers, school administrators, and school counselors by March 1, 2012.

**PA 63 of 2011 Sec. 514(b)**

New policies related to children's protective services including, but not limited to, major policy changes and court decisions affecting the children's protective services system during the immediately preceding 12-month period are listed below.

CPS INTAKE – SPECIAL CASES

PSM 712-6

Reorganization of this manual item to aid the field workers in finding appropriate policy items.

*Reason:* To assist front line workers in following appropriate policy.

MALTREATMENT-IN-CARE

PSM 712-6, 713-8, 713-9, 716-6 and 716-9

Policy for the Maltreatment-in-Care procedures has been entered into the individual policy items.

*Reason:* To ensure child safety.

SAFE SLEEP INVESTIGATIONS

PSM 713-1

Changes made to clarify that either intoxication or substance abuse by the parent or caretaker that is a contributing factor in a child's death in an unsafe sleep investigation, are to be considered when determining the dispositional findings.

*Reason:* To provide clarification to the field.

## MONTHLY CASE CONSULTATIONS – CPS INVESTIGATIONS

PSM 713-1 and 713-10

The CPS investigator must meet with the supervisor at least once a month for case consultation on every assigned complaint prior to case disposition. This consultation must be documented in the social work contact section of the CPS Investigation Report (DHS-154).

*Reason:* To ensure child safety and adherence to policy.

## MONTHLY CASE CONSULTATIONS – CPS ONGOING

PSM 714-1 and 714-4

The ongoing CPS worker must meet with the supervisor at least once a month for case consultation on every ongoing case. This consultation must be documented in the social work contact section of the CPS Updated Service Plan Report (DHS-152).

*Reason:* To ensure child safety and adherence to policy.

## INCARCERATED PARENTS DURING CPS INVESTIGATION

PSM 713-8 and 713-10

If a legal parent is incarcerated, the CPS worker must confirm and document the parent's prisoner or jail identification number, the prison or jail facility, the charge or conviction offense and the parole or release eligibility date.

*Reason:* To ensure all parents are located and involved in the investigative process.

## INCARCERATED PARENTS DURING CONSIDERED REMOVAL

PSM 715-2

CPS workers are required to provide prior notice of a scheduled PPC to an incarcerated parent in the case of a considered removal. This notification must be documented in the CPS report.

*Reason:* Children's Protective Services Program Office recommendation and recent court ruling.

## COURT PARTICIPATION OF INCARCERATED PARENTS

PSM 715-2

CPS workers are required to notify the court that an incarcerated parent is under MDOC jurisdiction and the court is responsible for arranging the parent's telephonic participation as required pursuant to MCR 2.004.

*Reason:* Children's Protective Services Program Office recommendation and recent court ruling.

## TERMINOLOGY

PSM 713-11

Language in policy and SWSS-CPS was changed from mental retardation to intellectual developmental disorder/delay.

*Reason:* Updating language to match federal legislation requirements as indicated in Rosa's Law.

## DELETION OF POLICY

PSM 716-6

Manual item PSM 716-6 has been removed from the manual items. This portion of policy has been made obsolete by the new Maltreatment-in-Care policy.

*Reason: Manual maintenance.*

#### GRAMMATICAL CHANGES

PSM 712-6, 713-1, 713-8, 713-9, 713-10, 713-11, 714-1, 714-4, 715-2 and 716-9

Minor grammatical revisions made.

*Reason: Policy review.*

#### CHILD DEATH REPORTING

SRM 172

When a child dies and is under court jurisdiction for child abuse and neglect, the department must notify the local court with jurisdiction no later than one business day after the child's death. The department must also notify the Office of Children's Ombudsman and state senator and representative who represent the district in which the court is located.

*Reason: Update policy with current law.*

Although there were court cases involving numerous child welfare cases, none were noted to have had any major effect on the children's protective services system during this time frame.

#### **PA 63 of 2011 Sec. 514(c)**

The information required under section 8d(5) of the child protection law, 1975 PA 238, MCL 722.628d, pertains to information regarding families that were classified in category III. In 2011, the total number of cases classified in category III were 10,412. Category III cases have two distinct sub-classifications which are 'referral to voluntary community service and close' or 'referral to voluntary community service and monitor for 90 days'. In FY 2011, 5,353 were referred to voluntary community service and closed and 5,059 were referred to voluntary community service and monitored for 90 days. The Department reclassified 181 cases from a category III to category II. Thirty-seven cases were reclassified from a category III to category I. Of the 37 cases, 13 cases involved separation of the child(ren) from the parent or legal guardian.

#### **PA 63 of 2011 Sec. 514(d)**

The DHS policy requires all complaints regarding children who have been exposed to the production or manufacture of methamphetamines be assigned for investigation. The Michigan Child Protection Law (CPL) (MCL 722.623 and 722.628) requires DHS to refer to the prosecutor and law enforcement within 24 hours of receipt of all complaints with allegations that indicate potential violations of the public health code involving methamphetamine (MCL 333.7401c). The CPL, Section 17, requires that a petition for court jurisdiction be filed by DHS within 24 hours of determining a preponderance of evidence exists that a child has been exposed to or had contact with methamphetamine production. The Department must also obtain a medical examination of all child victims and any other children residing in the household when a child has been exposed to or had contact with methamphetamine production.

The Department has not made any changes to CPS policy regarding children who have been exposed to the production or manufacture of methamphetamines during FY 2011.