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

The Honorable Peter MacGregor, Chair
House Appropriations Subcommittee on DHS
Michigan House of Representatives
Lansing, Michigan 48933

Dear Senator Caswell and Representative MacGregor:

The enclosed report is provided pursuant to the Department of Human Services' (DHS') Fiscal Year 2014 Appropriations Act, PA 59 of 2013, Article X, Section 514. This section requires that DHS submit a report on Children's Protective Services (CPS) statistical data, including significant CPS policy changes and court decisions implemented in the preceding fiscal year.

If you have any questions, please contact Suzanne Stiles Burke, Bureau of Child Welfare director, at (517) 241-8606.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Susan Kangas".

Susan Kangas
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Enclosure

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

**Children's Protective Services
2013 Comprehensive Report**

This comprehensive report provides Children's Protective Services statistical information pursuant to Article X, Section 514 of PA 59 of 2013.

PA 59 of 2013 Sec. 514 (a) (i)

There were 87,980 total reports of abuse or neglect assigned for investigation in FY 2013 under the Child Protection Law, 1975 PA 238, MCL 722.621 to 722.638. There were 87,715 total cases dispositioned in FY 2013.

Dispositioned Cases and Classifications	
Category I	5,479
Category II	6,652
Category III	10,509
Category IV	61,400
Category V	3,669
Pending	6
Total	87,715

* Disparity in case disposition totals and investigation totals are the result of case report carry-overs from the previous fiscal year.

PA 59 of 2013 Sec. 514(a) (ii)

Characteristics of perpetrators of abuse or neglect and the child victims:

In FY 2013, 49.6% of all victims were female; 50.4% male; 70.7% of all victims were Caucasian; 27.5% were African American; 1.8% were in the American Indian, Asian, Native Hawaiian or unable to determine categories; and 36.5% of all victims were age three and under. There can be more than one victim per case, therefore the victim data does not match up to the case disposition data.

FY 2013 Victims of Abuse/Neglect by Race and Gender (age 3 and under)							
	Caucasian	African American	American Indian	Asian	Native Hawaiian	Unable to Determine	Grand Total
Female	3,870	1,889	45	9	1	52	5,866
Male	4,355	2,053	49	14	1	62	6,534
Grand Total	8,225	3,942	94	23	2	114	12,400

FY 2013 Victims of Abuse/Neglect by Race and Gender (age 4 and above)							
	Caucasian	African American	American Indian	Asian	Native Hawaiian	Unable to Determine	Grand Total
Female	8,129	2,664	87	34	3	83	11,000
Male	7,648	2,724	78	36	2	82	10,570
Grand Total	15,777	5,388	165	70	5	165	21,570

Perpetrators of Abuse/Neglect*	
Description by Relation to Victim	Total
Adoptive Parent	416
Adoptive Sibling	6
Aunt/Uncle	274
Biological Parent	23,709
Cousin	62
Child Day Care Provider	19
Friends or Neighbors	74
Foster Parent (non-relative)	43
Grandparent	443
Guardian	163
Half Sibling	23
Institutional Care Staff/Group Home	13
Non-Relative	2,541
Other Professionals	3
Other Relative	73
Other	175
Putative Parent	166
Relative Foster Care Provider	11
Relative Unlicensed Provider	33
Sibling	82
Step Sibling	32
Step Parent	1,368
Unknown	41

*One perpetrator may be counted more than once based on their relationship code.

Description by Age of Perpetrator	Total
0-20	1,787
21-30	11,531
31-40	9,135
41-50	3,750
51-60	1,071
61-70	270
71-80	56
81-90	6
91-up	4

Victims of Abuse/Neglect**	
Description by Relation to Perpetrator	Total
Adopted Sibling	7
Biological Child	41,126
Cousin	79
Day Care Child	26
Foster Child Relative	16
Foster Child of Unlicensed Relative	54
Friends or Neighbors	101
Foster Child of Licensed Non Relative	77
Grand Child	696
Half Sibling	24
Institutional Care Child	17
Niece/Nephew	390
Non -Relative	3,979
Other Relative	101
Other	283
Putative Child	203
Protectee	229
Step Child	2,051
Sibling	112
Step Sibling	33
Subordinate Child	4
Unknown	101

**One child may have multiple perpetrators.

Description by Race of Perpetrator	Total
Caucasian	19,788
African American	7,230
American Indian	187
Asian	97
Native Hawaiian	10
Unable to Determine	298

Children Victims Exposed to Drug Activity	
Type of Exposure	Total
Substance Abuse	7,971
Drug Positive Infant	2,611
Drug Residence	80
Methamphetamine	114
Other than Methamphetamine	233

PA 59 of 2013 Sec. 514(a) (iii)

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.

Non- Mandated Reporters	
Anonymous	7,936
Court Personnel	1,099
Friend/Neighbor	5,461
Hospital/Clinic Personnel	289
New Birth Match	699
Other	4,539
Other Public Social Agency Personnel	457
Other School Personnel	496
Parent/Sub in Home	3068
Parent/Sub out of Home	6,370
Relative	6,718
Sibling	182
Victim	279
Total Non-Mandated	37,593

Mandated Reporters	
Audiologist	18
Child Care Provider	485
Clergy	148
Coroner/Medical Examiner	24
Court Social Worker	279
Dentist	69
DHS Facility Personnel	170
DHS Facility Social Worker	766
DMH Facility Personnel	58
DMH Facility Social Worker	372
Domestic Violence Providers	275
FIS/ES Worker/Supervisor	924
Friend of Court	275
Hospital/Clinic Physician	1,342
Hospital/Clinic Social Worker	7,801
Law Enforcement	11,813
Licensed Counselor	1,999
Marriage/Family Therapist	1,492
Nurse (Not School)	3,168
Other Public Social Worker	2,063
Other Social Worker	1,921
Paramedic/EMT	97
Private Agency Social Worker	1,744
Private Physician	671
Private Social Agency Personnel	400
Psychologist	709
School Administrator	2,691
School Counselor	5,375
School Nurse	265
Social Services Specialist/Manager	4,669
Teacher	5,512
Total Mandated	57,595

PA 59 of 2013 Sec. 514 (a) (iv)

In 2013, 3,706 cases involved a separation from the parent or legal guardian. This resulted in 6,550 children being separated from the parent or legal guardian. The period of the separation of a child from the parent or guardian is not captured through the Children's Protective Services program; however, the status of these separated children at the close of FY 2013 can be determined. Of the 6,550 children who were separated, 506 had their cases closed due to the termination of parental rights, 563 had their cases closed after either returning home or to another planned living arrangement, and 5,481 children were still active to a foster care case at the end of the fiscal year.

PA 59 of 2013 Sec. 514(a) (v)

For the reported complaints of abuse or neglect by teachers, school administrators, and school counselors, 1,312 cases were classified as category I or category II and 12,250 cases were classified as category III, category IV, and category V.

PA 59 of 2013 Sec. 514(a) (vi)

For the reported complaints of abuse or neglect by teachers, school administrators, and school counselors, 230 cases resulted in separation of the child from the parent or guardian. This resulted in 548 children being separated from the parent or guardian. The period of that separation, up to and including termination of rights is not captured through the Children's Protective Services program; however, the status of these separated children at the close of FY 2013 can be determined. Of the 548 children who were separated, 67 had their cases closed due to the termination of parental rights, 64 had their cases closed after either returning home or to another planned living arrangement, and 417 children were still active to a foster care case at the end of the fiscal year.

PA 59 of 2013 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 immediate preceding 12-month period are listed below:

CPS-Maltreatment in Care (MIC) Investigation of Child Abuse and Neglect (CA/N) in Child Caring Facilities (CCF)

PSB 2012-006

CPS-MIC workers will conduct investigations of CA/N in the following types of CCF: registered family child care homes, licensed group child care homes, licensed child care centers. These complaints were previously investigated by the Bureau of Children and Adult Licensing (BCAL).

Reason: Policy update to align with the Modified Settlement Agreement.

Safe Sleep

PSM 713-1; 714-1

Updated and enhanced safe sleep report and investigative requirements.

Reason: Best case practices.

Placement with Unlicensed Relatives

PSM 715-2

Assessments of child safety and appropriate background checks must occur for all non-licensed relative homes prior to any out-of-home placement.

Reason: Best case practices.

Social Work Contacts

PSM 713-10

All contacts, either attempted or successful, must be entered into SWSS (Services Worker Support System) CPS.

Reason: Policy update.

Case Service Agreement Approval

PSM 713-1; 714-1

The caseworker must meet with his/her supervisor at least monthly for case consultation on every active case. Supervisors must review and approve each case service agreement. Case service agreements must not be approved until the supervisor has a face-to-face meeting with the caseworker, which may occur during the monthly case

consultation. The policy identifies and lists certain aspects and criteria that the supervisor should be considering and agreeing to when approving each case service agreement.

Reason: Improvement of Case Practice Standards and Child and Family Services Review (CFSR), Program Improvement Plan (PIP).

CPS Supervisory Guides and Tools

PSM 713-1; 714-1

The DHS-1156, CPS Investigation Supervisory Guide, DHS-1157, CPS Investigation Supervisory Tool, DHS-1158, CPS Ongoing Supervisory Tool, and DHS-1159, CPS Ongoing Supervisory Guide, are available to assist supervisors, during monthly case consultations, in gathering information and assessing whether a child's needs of safety, permanency and well-being are met. The items in the guides are listed as prompts to guide discussion and should be supported by case documentation.

Reason: Department of Health and Human Services CFSR Program Improvement Plan (PIP).

Risk Assessment

PSM 713-1

Procedural update to safety assessments.

Reason: Policy consistency.

Expunction Requests and Administrative Hearings

PSM 717-2; 717-3

The DHS local office that places a perpetrator on central registry is responsible for responding to expunction requests.

Reason: Policy update.

PA 59 of 2013 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 2013, the total number of cases classified in category III was 10,509. Category III cases have two distinct sub-classifications that refer to voluntary community service and close, *or* refer to voluntary community service and monitor for 90 days. In FY 2013, 6,148 cases were referred to voluntary community services and closed and 4,361 were referred to voluntary community services and monitored for 90 days. The department reclassified 125 cases from a category III to category II and 26 cases from a category III to a category I. Of those 26 cases, 19 involved separation of the child(ren) from the parent or legal guardian. Lastly, 5,872 victims were identified by the department to have more than one type of abuse and/or neglect in category III cases.

PA 59 of 2013 Sec. 514(d)

The DHS policy requires that 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 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 must 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. 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. The department did not make any changes to CPS policy regarding children who have been exposed to the production or manufacture of methamphetamines during FY 2013.