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## New Spotlight will improve data skills; video recap of Safety Spotlight

Child welfare staff members are being asked to complete a new Practice Spotlight exercise that will help them use data reports more effectively in managing their daily caseloads.

The exercise, along with supporting documents, are contained in Communication Issuance 16-014, which is below. The exercise provides guidance on incorporating data into a staff member's caseload management. Completed exercises are to be submitted to your Business Service Center and Child Welfare Field Operations Director by March 25, 2016.

This is a continuation of a series of presentations designed to bring all counties into Strengthening Our Focus, part of a renewed effort to highlight practices that best protect vulnerable children. The goal is to improve such efforts throughout MDHHS and its partner agencies.

The most recent Spotlight, Communication Issuance 15-131 Strengthening Our Focus- Safety on Site, was released in September 2015. This <u>video presentation</u> provides a statewide summary of the outcomes from these discussions and spotlights the efforts of Judson Center and Macomb County MDHHS.

Please note: Because of bandwidth constraints, the individual viewing of this video can have an adverse impact on the performance of all computer systems in an office. Coordinated viewing is advised.

Strengthening Our Focus: Practice Spotlight is part of an intensified push by MDHHS and its partners to nurture and spotlight best practices in the field to better protect vulnerable children in Michigan.

## <u>16-014 - Strengthening Our Focus Practice Spotlight Using Data Plan for</u> <u>Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI).</u>

Provides information about a new Practice Spotlight exercise that will help child welfare workers use data reports more effectively in managing their daily caseloads.