

The Number and Percentage of Children Receiving Timely Health Examinations and Required Mental Health Examinations After Entry Into Foster Care

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Sec. 511. *The department shall provide semiannual reports to the senate and house appropriations subcommittees on the department budget, the senate and house standing committees on families and human services, and the senate and house fiscal agencies and policy offices on the number and percentage of children who received timely health examinations after entry into foster care and the number and percentage of children entering foster care who received a required mental health examination after entry into foster care.*



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The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) evaluates the health needs of children placed into foster care under the supervision of the department within 30 days of placement. The assessments specifically require an evaluation of medical and emotional/mental health issues and the results of the assessment drives the development and delivery of appropriate services.

For the period of September 1, 2016, through December 31, 2016, MDHHS had a compliance rate of 78 percent for timely completion of the 5,504 simultaneous medical and mental health exams completed within 30 days of the child's placement into foster care.