

CWTI Redesign Report

(FY2017 Appropriation Act - Public Act 268 of 2016)

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Sec. 558. (2) *The department shall conduct a workgroup consisting of members from the department, private child placing agencies, and child caring institutions, with the goal of reducing the current 4 weeks of centralized child welfare institute training class time. It is the intent of the legislature that the number of days of in-person pre-service child welfare training be reduced by 50%. Not later than November 1 of the current fiscal year, the department shall provide a report to the senate and house appropriations subcommittees on the department budget, the senate and house fiscal agencies, the senate and house policy offices, and the state budget office on the findings of the workgroup, including the timeline, feasibility, and cost for the implementation plan required to implement the child welfare training institute redesign.*



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The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) convened a workgroup in the months of August and September, 2016, to conduct a detailed review of the training content currently delivered in the pre-service institute (PSI). The intent of the review was to assess the feasibility of reducing the classroom portion of child welfare initial caseworker training by 50 percent. The workgroup consisted of members of MDHHS, child placing private agencies and the Michigan Federation for Children and Families.

The workgroup considered cost, timeline and resources associated with changing the format of the PSI training and conducted budgetary, process and industry standard research to gather supporting data.

The workgroup is continuing the final analysis of the findings and a report containing the feasibility, cost and timeline for implementation will be presented by January 17, 2017.