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RE: Court Improvement Letter of Support

Dear Ms. Samples,

It is with great pleasure that I offer this letter of support to the Court Improvement Program (CIP). The Division of Child and Family Services assures that CIP has been collaborating with DCFS through ongoing participation in child welfare program planning and improvement efforts including the CFSP, APSR, the Program Improvement Plan, CQI/QA Activities, and all other opportunities as they arise. CIP and DCFS share data with one another as appropriate and applicable to support ongoing quality improvement in the child welfare system. DCFS and CIP have participated in cross-training opportunities to ensure consistent practices across the child welfare agencies, judges, attorneys, and court personnel. DCFS and CIP are collaborating on DCFS' efforts to provide title IV-E reimbursement to ensure high quality legal representation for parents, children, and youth in child welfare proceedings.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to me with any questions.

Thank you,

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