

**City of Winchester CSA**  
**Community-Based Foster Care Prevention Eligibility Determination**

Child Name: \_\_\_\_\_

DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Please sign off on the appropriate eligibility, based on the criteria in each section:

**Eligibility A: Foster Care Prevention – Abuse and Neglect**

- The child is eligible for Foster Care Prevention Services because they are at risk of removal from their home and placement into foster care due to abuse or neglect as defined by COV §63.2-100. (Explain below)*
- or*
- The child would come into foster care if the service(s) are not provided. (Explain below)*

*Explain:*

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Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_

Signature

\_\_\_\_\_

Date

**Eligibility B: Foster Care Prevention – CHINS (Child in Need of Services)**

The child is eligible for Foster Care Prevention Services because they are at risk of removal from their home and placement into foster care due to meeting all 4 CHINS criteria below.

**Criterion 1**  *The child meets the statutory definition of a “child in need of services,”:  by Court or  by FAPT*

- Specifically, “the child’s behavior, conduct, or condition presents or results in a serious threat to the well being and physical safety of the child, or the well-being and physical safety of another person if the child is under the age of 14 (COV, §16.1-228).

**Criterion 2**  has *emotional and/or behavioral problems* where *either*:

- a. the child’s problems:
  - have persisted over a significant period of time or, though only in evidence for a short period of time, are of such a critical nature that intervention is warranted; and
  - are significantly disabling and are present in several community settings, such as at home, in school or with peers; and
  - require services or resources that are unavailable or inaccessible, or that are beyond the normal agency services or routine collaborative processes across agencies, or require coordinated interventions by at least two agencies
- or
- b. the child is currently in, or at imminent risk of entering, purchased residential care; and requires services or resources that are beyond normal agency services or routine collaborative processes across agencies; and requires coordinated services by at least two agencies.

**Criterion 3**  The child requires services:

- a. to address and resolve the immediate crisis that seriously threatens the well being and physical safety of the child or another person; and
- b. to preserve and/or strengthen the family while ensuring the safety of the child and other persons; and
- c. the child has been identified by the Team as needing:
  - services to prevent or eliminate the need for foster care placement. Absent these prevention services, foster care is the planned arrangement for the child

**Criterion 4**  The goal of the family is to maintain the child at home.

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FAPT Chair Print Name

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CSA Coordinator Print Name

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FAPT Chair Signature

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Date

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