

Jenny, Age:17

Jenny is a Senior in High School. She is planning on utilizing the ILP Subsidy housing program. She gets good grades and has a job lined up for the summer. She is on track to graduate. Jenny has been working with ILP for 3 years and continues to be successful within the program and on her own. Jenny's father has not been involved in her life. Her mother has substance abuse issues and has maintained sporadic contact with her. Jenny has two younger siblings also in foster care.

Please consider questions you would ask and issues you would address in making findings and recommendations regarding the plan and services for Jenny. Consider areas that you might focus on if you were developing a Comprehensive Transition Plan with this young person.

Findings:

3. DHS has ensured that appropriate services are in place to safeguard the child/ren's safety, health and well being.

5. DHS made reasonable efforts in accordance with the case plan to place the child in a timely manner, and complete the steps necessary to finalize the permanent placement, including an interstate placement if appropriate.

8. DHS is in compliance with the case plan and court orders.

10. There is a continuing need for placement.

Recommendations:

Jesse, Age: 17 ½

Jesse is living in a 'forever home' where he has been for six months. Jesse has been diagnosed with Bipolar Disorder and PTSD. He is taking Abilify, Strattera, and Fluoxetine. Jesse receives skill training and individual therapy. Jesse has been in numerous placements and schools due to his disruptive behaviors. Jesse re-entered foster care after his adoption disrupted at age 9. He was abusive to his adoptive family and they wish to have no contact with him. Jesse has a borderline IQ and receives the support of the DD system but he is not likely to qualify for adult DD services.

Please consider questions you would ask and issues you would address in making findings and recommendations regarding the plan and services for Jesse. Consider areas that you might focus on if you were developing a Comprehensive Transition Plan with this young person.

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Recommendations:

William Age: Almost 18

William is approaching his 18th birthday. He has been in the DHS system since he was 13 years old and wants his case to be closed. William has no clear plans for his future but continues to tell DHS and ILP that he just wants to live on his own. He completed a brief T2 about a year ago. William was diagnosed with ADHD and was on an IEP in High School. He fell behind on credits and is now considering working towards a GED. William has had 4 placements while in foster care and left his last foster home three months ago due to his not wanting to follow rules in the home. William has contact with his mother sporadically but does not wish to live with her due to past issues and her new live in boyfriend. DHS determined earlier in the case that no viable relative resources were available as a placement resource.

Please consider questions you would ask and issues you would address in making findings and recommendations regarding the plan and services for William. Consider areas that you might focus on if you were developing a Comprehensive Transition Plan with this young person.

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