

Video Viewing Worksheet

Differential Response (DR) Overview

While viewing the video, please fill out the worksheet by following the instructions for each of the items below:

1. Indicate whether the following statements are True or False:
 - A. Alternative Response provides an alternative to the more traditional response that is often associated with Child Protective Services.
 True or False
 - B. Alternative Response is intended for reports of maltreatment that are eligible for Department services, but do not allege serious or imminent harm to a child.
 True or False
 - C. Most initial contacts by the Department will be planned and involve a community partner in the Alternative Response.
 True or False
2. Which of the following are common principles of both Alternative and Traditional Responses (check all that apply):
 - A. Both are family-centered practices that value family engagement.
 - B. Both focus on child safety and well-being.
 - C. Both recognize the need for a comprehensive CPS assessment.
 - D. Both recognize Departmental authority to make decisions about removal and placement in foster care.
3. Which of the following are findings from other states that have implemented a Differential Response system (check all that apply)
 - A. Child safety was not compromised.
 - B. Fewer reports of child maltreatment were noted.
 - C. Families reported higher satisfaction with their Child Welfare workers.
 - D. Families received more services.
 - E. There was a reduction in the removal and placement of children.
 - F. Disproportionality was reduced.
 - G. Child Welfare workers reported a positive response toward a DR system.

4. Indicate whether the following statements are True or False:
- A. Conditions and circumstances of families differ, and so should the Department's response.
___ True or ___ False
 - B. Most cases coming to the attention of Child Welfare involve Neglect or Threat of Harm Neglect.
___ True or ___ False
5. Indicate whether the following statements pertain to Alternative Response (AR) or Traditional Response (TR):
- A. A Comprehensive CPS Assessment will be conducted on allegations of severe physical abuse, sexual abuse, and serious or imminent harm.
___ AR or ___ TR
 - B. The Comprehensive CPS Assessment ends with no disposition.
___ AR or ___ TR
 - C. No entry into a Central Registry of Abuse will occur.
___ AR or ___ TR
 - D. A more investigative approach is involved as part of a comprehensive response to high risk and potentially unsafe situations.
___ AR or ___ TR
6. How many vision statements related to the implementation of Differential Response has the Department developed? _____