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Families and Children Letter FCL #029

To: Directors, Public Children Services Agencies (PCSA)

From: Jeffery Van Deusen, Deputy Director
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Subject: Screening Guidelines Order Information

Background
Over the last several years, the Screening Guidelines Committee, led by The Ohio Department of Job and Family Services in collaboration with Ohio’s PCSAs, the Governor’s Human Trafficking Task Force, PCSAO workgroups, the Ohio Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics, as well as other community stakeholders worked to revise and update the Screening Guidelines. These revisions include improved instruction for engaging a referent, reformatting to streamline utility, improved details of screening examples, as well as enhanced questions to assist children services professionals in conducting intake duties, completing screening decisions, and pathway assignment.

Updated Screening Guidelines
The Office of Families and Children (OFC) is preparing for the upcoming publication and distribution of the revised intake Screening Guidelines. The revised Screening Guidelines are in process to soon be published electronically for Public Children Services Agencies (PCSAs) to view and/or print. In addition, OFC plans to print and provide copies of the Screening Guidelines to requesting PCSAs.

If your agency would like to order paper copies of the Screening Guidelines, please have one representative from your agency complete the Screening Guidelines Order Form. Please complete this order form no later than June 30, 2022. OFC will consider the total number of copies requested per PCSA once all order forms have been received.

Additional communication and information regarding the electronic publication and distribution of the revised guidelines will be forthcoming.

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