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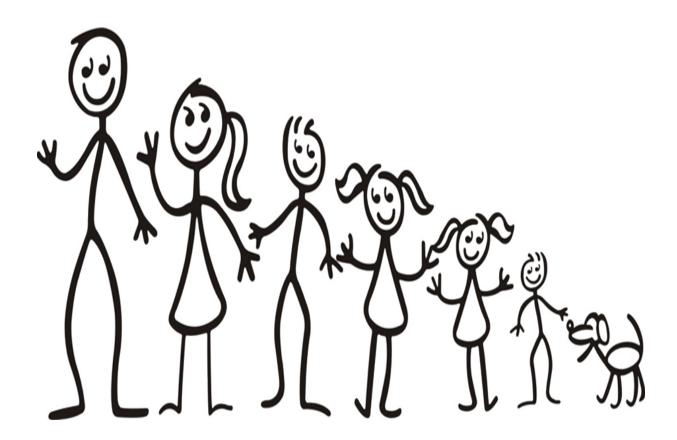
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Our Mission Statement

To conduct children in out-of-home care case reviews, make timely individual case and systemic child welfare recommendations; and advocate for legislative and systematic child welfare improvements to promote safety and permanency.

Our Vision Statement

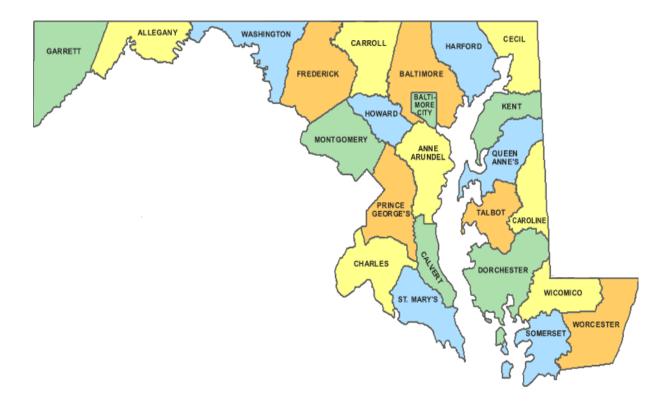
We envision the protection of all children from abuse and neglect, only placing youth in out-of-home care when necessary; and providing families with the help they need to stay intact; children will be safe in a permanent living arrangement.



Introduction

The Citizens Review Board for Children (CRBC) in agreement with the Department of Human Resources' Social Security Administration conducts targeted case reviews of children in out-of-home care placements.

CRBC continues to be a Volunteer centered program consisting of Governor Appointed Volunteers that serve on Local Boards in each of the 23 counties (Allegany, Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Calvert, Caroline, Carroll, Cecil, Charles, Dorchester, Frederick, Garrett, Harford, Howard, Kent, Montgomery, Prince George's, Queen Annes, St. Mary's, Somerset, Talbot, Washington, Wicomico, Worcester) and Baltimore City.



Targeted Review Criteria

The Maryland Department of Human Resources (DHR) and the Citizens Review Board for Children (CRBC) has a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA). This agreement establishes a jointly function between DHR and CRBC with regard to the Child Welfare Accountability Act of 2006 and the Department's Child Welfare Quality Assurance System. The MOA includes targeted review criteria that consist of permanency plans such as Reunification, Adoption, and Another Planned Permanent Living Arrangement (APPLA). In addition, CRBC will also re-review specific individual cases.

Reunification:

- ♣ Already established plans of Reunification for youth 10 years of age and older. CRBC will conduct a review for a child 10 years of age and older who has an established primary permanency plan of Reunification, and has been in care 12 months or longer. The review will be conducted within 3 months of the next court hearing.
- ♣ Newly changed plans of Reunification for youth 10 years of age or older. CRBC will conduct a review of a child that has a plan of Reunification within 3 months before the child's 18-month court hearing.

Adoption:

- **♣** Existing plans of Adoption. CRBC will conduct a review for a child that has had a plan of Adoption for over 12 months. The purpose of the review is to assess the appropriateness of the plan and identify barriers to achieve the plan.
- ♣ Newly changed plans of Adoption. CRBC will conduct a review of a child within 3 months of the establishment of Adoption as a primary permanency plan. The purpose is to ensure that there is adequate and appropriate movement by the local departments to promote and achieve the Adoption.

Another Planned Permanent Living Arrangement (APPLA):

- ♣ Already established plans of APPLA for youth 16 years of age and younger. CRBC will conduct a full review for a child 16 years of age and younger who has an established primary permanency plan of APPLA. The primary purpose of the review is to assess appropriateness of the plan and review documentation of the Federal APPLA requirements.
- ♣ Newly established plans of APPLA. CRBC will conduct a review of a child within 3 months of the establishment of APPLA as the primary permanency plan. Local Boards will review cases to ensure that local departments made adequate and appropriate efforts to assess if a plan of APPLA was the appropriate recourse for the child.
- ♣ Older youth aging-out or remaining in care of the State between the ages of 17 and 20 years old. CRBC will conduct a review of a youth that are 17-20 years of age. The primary purpose of the review is to assess services provided to prepare the youth to transition to adulthood.

Re-Review Cases:

♣ Assessment of progress made by LDSS. CRBC will conduct follow-up reviews during the previous three months of the current fiscal year of any case where the Local Board identified barriers to adequate progress. The purpose of the review is to assess status and any progress made by LDSS to determine if identified barriers have been removed.

Acknowledgements

The Citizens Review Board for Children (CRBC) are extremely thankful for the commitment from each of its public, private, and community partners and their efforts in striving to make Maryland's children safe and protected against abuse and neglect.

DHR/SSA:

CRBC thanks you for the continuous public child welfare leadership, as well as the never-ending commitment to serve Maryland's vulnerable children and their families. Moreover, CRBC could not carry out its mission without your continued support and collaboration.

Family Courts:

CRBC thanks you for the unremitting request to review individual cases of concern within each jurisdiction. CRBC takes solace in knowing that you acknowledge and value the importance of our mission.

Appointed Volunteers:

CRBC fully understands and acknowledge at the core of why you serve in the capacity of Volunteer is a personal compassion to serve, as well as caring for all of Maryland's children. We thank each of you for all of your individual and collective untiring commitment to attend the scheduled local board case reviews, CRBC committee meetings and special events. In addition, your case and systemic advocacy and recommendations are essential to the overall CRBC mission and goals!

Coalition to Protect Maryland's Children (CPMC):

CRBC are so very thankful to be an organizational member of a coalition that combines and amplifies the power of organizational and individuals who are working together to keep children safe and from abuse and neglect. More importantly, we are also thankful for your efforts to secure budgetary and public policy resources to make meaningful and measureable improvements in safety, permanence, and well-being.

Recommendations to All Local Jurisdictions

The Citizens Review Board for Children (CRBC) continues to provide timely recommendations in an effort to improve the systemic provision of public child welfare services, and the CRBC case review process.

CRBC Refresher:

• Each jurisdiction is being asked to be amenable to an upcoming CRBC request to be periodically placed on an All-Staff meeting agenda. The purpose of CRBC visiting each jurisdiction will be to provide a refresher/re-education about CRBC's mission, and how each local jurisdiction plays a crucial role in the case review process.

CHESSIE Access:

 Each jurisdiction is encouraged to have a working computer with CHESSIE access for its local DSS caseworkers/social workers use in the designated CRBC case review room. This will allow the DSS caseworkers to have access to pertinent information relating to the case(s) being reviewed.

<u>Supportive Documentation:</u>

- Each jurisdiction is encouraged to continue bringing case records and/or supportive documentation to *all CRBC case reviews*.
- Each jurisdiction is encouraged to improve their efforts with documenting a concurrent permanency plan.
- Each jurisdiction is encouraged to improve their efforts with getting parents to sign service agreements for those youth with a permanency plan of reunification.

Interested Parties:

- Each jurisdiction is encouraged to continue supplying CRBC with the most recent and current contact information for all interested parties, including professionals and family members.
- Each jurisdiction is encouraged to include the paternal family members as possible resources for all youth who are in out-of-home care.
- Each jurisdiction is encouraged to have all youth who are 10 years of age and older to attend his/her scheduled CRBC case review.

Independent Living:

- Each jurisdiction is encouraged to have youth who are age appropriate assessed for independent living skills, and linked with identified needed life skills training.
- Each jurisdiction is encouraged to improve their efforts with preparing youth that have a plan of APPLA to meet their employment goals.

Permanent Connections:

• Each jurisdiction is encouraged to improve their efforts with identifying permanent connections for those youth with a plan of APPLA.

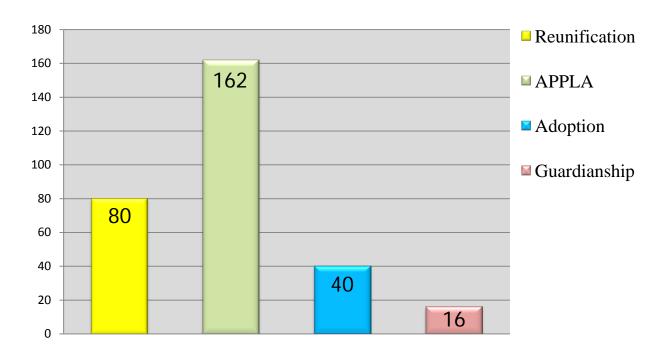
Adoption:

• Each jurisdiction are encouraged to have youth that are age appropriate with a permanency plan of Adoption linked with Adoption Counseling services.

Overall Cases Reviewed

First Quarter of Fiscal Year 2015 the Citizens Review Board for Children (CRBC) conducted a total of 298 out-of-home placement youth case reviews.

Overall Permanency Plans Reviewed



During the First Quarter of Fiscal Year 2015 (July 1st through September 30th) CRBC conducted 298 regular case reviews of youth with a permanency plan of Reunification, Adoption, Another Permanent Living Arrangement (APPLA), and Guardianship.

Gender Overall

Male	Female
137 (46%)	161 (54%)

There were 298 regularly scheduled youth reviewed in the FY15 First Quarter overall, consisting of 137(46%) males, and 161 (54%) females.

By Plan

Male:

Reunification	Adoption	APPLA	Guardianship
35 (26%)	28/ (20%)	69 (50%)	5 (4%)

In FY15 First Quarter, there were 137 youth reviewed who were male. These youth consisted of 35 with a plan of Reunification, 28 males with a plan of Adoption, 69 with a plan of APPLA, and 5 with a plan of Guardianship.

Female:

Reunification	Adoption	APPLA	Guardianship
45 (28%)	12 (7%)	93 (58%)	11 (7%)

In FY15 First Quarter, there were 161 youth reviewed who were female. These youth consisted of 45 with a plan of Reunification, 12 with a plan of Adoption, 95 with a plan of APPLA, and 11 with a plan of Guardianship.

Ethnicity Overall

African American	Caucasian	Asian	Other	Missing
193 (65%)	91 (31%)	2 (1%)	1 (1%)	11 (3%)

Of the 298 youth reviewed in the FY15 First Quarter, there were 193 (65%) who were African American, 91(31%) who were Caucasian, 2 who were Asian, 1 who was identified as other, and 11 missing data.

By Plan

Reunification:

African American	Caucasian	Asian
50 (63%)	25 (31%)	1

In FY15 First Quarter, there were a total of 80 youth reviewed with a permanency plan of Reunification consisting of 50 (63%) who were African American, 25 (31%) who were Caucasian, and 1 who was Asian.

Adoption:

African American	Caucasian
15 (36%)	23 (57%)

In FY15 First Quarter, there were 40 youth reviewed with a permanency plan of Adoption consisting of 15 (36%) who were African American, and 23 (57%) who were Caucasian.

APPLA:

African American	Caucasian	Asian
114 (70%)	41 (25%)	1

In FY15 First Quarter, there were 162 youth reviewed with a permanency plan of APPLA consisting of 114 (70%) who were African American, 41 (25%) who were Caucasian, and 1 who was identified as Asian.

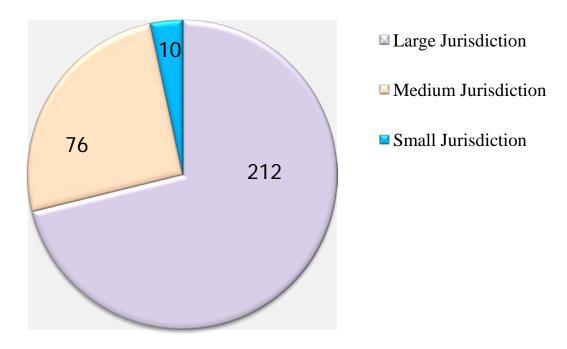
Guardianship:

African American	Caucasian
14 (88%)	2 (12%)

In FY15 First Quarter, there were 16 youth reviewed with a permanency plan of Guardianship consisting of 14 (88%) who were African American, and 2 (12%) who were identified as Caucasian.

Jurisdictions Overall

Maryland is comprised of 23 counties and Baltimore City. The Department of Human Resources (DHR) identifies jurisdictions according to caseload size such as large, medium, and small.



In the First Quarter of Fiscal Year 2015, there were a total of 212 cases reviewed in large jurisdictions, 76 cases reviewed in medium jurisdictions, and 10 cases reviewed in the small jurisdictions.

Large Jurisdictions:

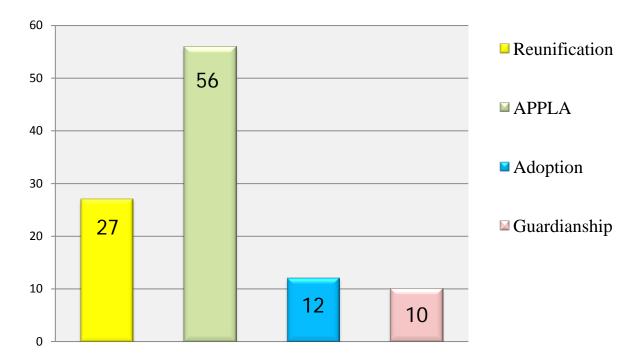
	Reunification	Adoption	APPLA	Guardianship	Total Cases
Baltimore City	27	12	56	10	105
Baltimore County	8	7	17	2	34
Montgomery	14		25	1	40
Prince Georges	13	1	18	1	33
Total	62	20	116	14	212

^{*}Large: 500 cases or more

Out of the 298 regularly scheduled youth reviewed in the First Quarter of FY15, there were a total of 212 (71%) who were placed within large jurisdictions.

Baltimore City

There were a total of 105 youth cases reviews conducted in Baltimore City in the First Ouarter of FY15.



<u>Baltimore City Reunification</u> case reviews made up 27 (13%) of the 212 cases reviewed in large jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

- The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of reunification in 11 (41%) of the 27 reviewed cases.
- The Local Board permanency plan recommendation for 2 (7%) out of the 27 cases was APPLA.
- The Local Board permanency plan recommendation for 11 (41%) out of the 27 cases was Guardianship.
- The Local Board permanency plan recommendation for 4 (15%) out of the 27 cases was Adoption.

Appropriate Services (Child):

- The Local Board agreed that appropriate services were being offered to the all 27 (100%) of the youth reviewed.
- Appropriate services were being offered to the foster/kin families of 24 (89%) out of the 27 youth cases reviewed.
- Appropriate services were being offered to the birth families of 16 (59%) out of the 27 youth cases reviewed.

Safety (Current):

• There were 4 (15%) out of the 27 youth cases with current risk indicators. All 4 (100%) of the cases with risk indicators had applicable safety assessments, and child protection protocols were followed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

• The Local Board agreed with the placement plan of 26 (96%) out of the 27 youth cases reviewed.

Education and Health:

- The Local Board agreed that 23 (85%) out of the 27 youth reviewed were appropriately prepared to meet educational goals.
- There were 14 (52%) out of the 27 youth reviewed with a comprehensive medical record.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for 17 (63%) out of the 27 youth cases reviewed.

<u>Baltimore City APPLA</u> case reviews made up 103 (48%) of the 212 cases reviewed in large jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

 The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of APPLA for all 56 (100%) of the youth cases reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

• The Local Board agreed with the current placement plan for 55 (98%) out of the 56 youth cases reviewed.

Permanent connection:

• There were 41 (73%) out of the 56 cases reviewed with a plan of APPLA with an identified permanent connection.

Education and Health:

- There were 36 (64%) out of the 56 youth with plans of completing high school.
- There were 26 (46%) out of the 56 youth with plans for post secondary education.
- The Local Board agreed that 48 (86%) out of the 56 youth were being prepared to meet educational goals.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for 33 (59%) out of the 56 youth cases reviewed.

- There were 9 (16%) out of 56 youth cases reviewed with an identified substance abuse problem.
- All 5 youth identified as having substance abuse problems, were also having them address.

Employment (paid/unpaid):

- There were 29 (52%) out of the 56 youth that were either in paid or unpaid employment experience.
- The Local Board agreed that 26 (46%) out of the 56 youth with a plan of APPLA were prepared to meet employment goals.

Housing:

• There were 20 (60%) out of the 33 youth identified as transiting out of care with specified housing.

Transitional plan:

• The Local Board agreed that 27 (48%) out of the 56 youth reviewed were being appropriately prepared to transition out of care.

<u>Baltimore City Adoption case reviews</u> made up 12 (6%) of the 212 cases reviewed in large jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

• The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of Adoption for all 12 (100%) of the youth cases reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

• The Local Board agreed with the current placement plan for all 12 (100%) of the youth cases reviewed.

Termination of Parental Rights (TPR):

• There were 9 (75%) out of the 12 youth cases reviewed with TPR granted.

Barriers to Adoption:

- There were 2 (17%) out of the 12 cases reviewed with unidentified pre-adoptive resources by the agency.
- There was 1 out of the 12 cases reviewed being appealed by the birth parents in court.

Post-adoptive services:

• There were 4 (33%) out of the 12 youth reviewed that needed post-adoptive medical services.

• There were 8 (67%) out of the 12 youth that needed multiple post-adoptive services.

Education and Health:

- The Local Board agreed that 7 (58%) out of the 12 youth were being prepared to meet educational goals.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for 8 (67%) out of the 12 youth cases reviewed.

<u>Baltimore City Guardianship</u> case reviews made up 10 (5%) of the 212 cases reviewed in large jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Waiver of Reunification Services:

 Reunification has not been waived for all 10 (100%) of the youth cases reviewed.

Permanency Plan:

- The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of Guardianship in 6 (60%) of the 10 reviewed cases.
- The Local Board permanency plan recommendation for 2 (20%) out of the 10 cases was APPLA.
- The Local Board permanency plan recommendation for 1 (10%) out of the 10 cases was Adoption.
- The Local Board permanency plan recommendation for 1 (10%) out of the 10 cases was Reunification.

Appropriate Services (Child):

- The Local Board agreed that appropriate services were being offered to the all 10 (100%) of the youth reviewed.
- Appropriate services were being offered to the foster/kin families of 6 (60%) out of the 10 youth cases reviewed.
- Appropriate services were being offered to the birth families of 6 (60%) out of the 10 youth cases reviewed.

Safety (Current):

- There were 1 (10%) out of the 10 youth cases with current risk indicators.
- The 1 youth case with risk indicators had applicable safety assessments, and child protection protocols were followed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

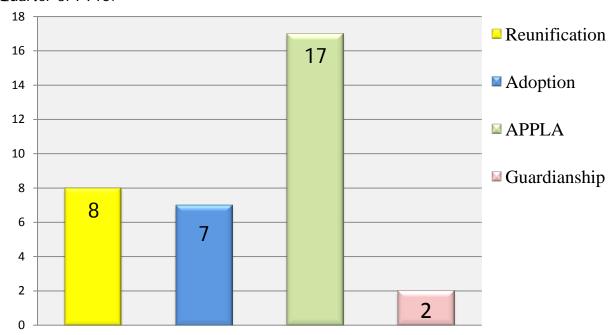
• The Local Board agreed with the placement plan of all 10 (100%) out of the youth cases reviewed.

Education and Health:

- The Local Board agreed that all 10 (100%) of the youth reviewed were appropriately prepared to meet educational goals.
- There were 4 (40%) out of the 10 youth reviewed with a comprehensive medical record.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for 3 (30%) out of the 10 youth cases reviewed.

Baltimore County

There were a total of 34 youth cases reviews conducted in Baltimore County in the First Quarter of FY15.



<u>Baltimore County Reunification</u> case reviews made up 8 (4%) of the 212 cases reviewed in large jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

 The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of reunification for all 8 (100%) of the youth cases reviewed.

Appropriate Services (Child):

• The Local Board agreed that appropriate services were being offered to the all 8 (100%) of the youth reviewed.

- Appropriate services were being offered to the foster/kin families of 6 (87%) out of the 8 youth cases reviewed.
- Appropriate services were being offered to the birth families of 5 (63%) out of the 8 youth cases reviewed.

Safety (Current):

• There were no current indicators of risk for the 8 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

 The Local Board agreed with the placement plan of all 8 (100%) of the youth cases reviewed.

Education and Health:

- The Local Board agreed that all 8 (100%) of the youth reviewed were being appropriately prepared to meet educational goals.
- All 8 (100%) of the youth reviewed had a comprehensive medical record.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for all 8 (100%) of the youth cases reviewed.

<u>Baltimore County APPLA</u> case reviews made up 17 (8%) of the 212 cases reviewed in large jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

 The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of APPLA for all 17 (100%) of the youth cases reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

• The Local Board agreed with the current placement plan for all 17 (100%) of the youth cases reviewed.

Permanent connection:

• There were 2 (12%) out of the 17 cases reviewed with a plan of APPLA with an identified permanent connection.

Education and Health:

- The Local Board agreed that all 17 (100%) of the youth cases reviewed were being prepared to meet educational goals.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for all 17 (100%) of the youth cases reviewed.
- There were 9 (16%) out of 17 youth cases reviewed with an identified substance abuse problem.

- There were 3 (18%) out of the 17 youth with substance abuse problems.
- The 3 youth identified as having substance abuse problems, were also having those problems address.

Employment (paid/unpaid):

- There were 9 (53%) out of the 17 youth that were either in paid or unpaid employment experience.
- The Local Board agreed that all 17 (100%) of the youth cases reviewed with a plan of APPLA were prepared to meet employment goals.

Housing:

• There were 3 (18%) out of the 17 youth identified as transiting out of care with specified housing.

Transitional plan:

• The Local Board agreed that all 3 (100%) of the youth identified as transiting out of care were being appropriately prepared to transition out of care.

<u>Baltimore County Adoption</u> case reviews made up 7 (3%) of the 212 cases reviewed in large jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

• The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of Adoption for all 7 (100%) of the youth cases reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

• The Local Board agreed with the current placement plan for all 7 (100%) of the youth cases reviewed.

Termination of Parental Rights (TPR):

- There were 4 (57%) out of the 7 youth cases reviewed with TPR granted.
- There were 2 (29%) out of the 7 youth cases reviewed with TPR appealed.

Barriers to Adoption:

• There were no barriers to Adoption for the 7 youth cases reviewed.

Post-adoptive services:

• The 7 (100%) youth cases reviewed needed multiple post-adoptive services.

Education and Health:

• The Local Board agreed that all 7 (100%) of the youth cases reviewed were being prepared to meet educational goals.

• The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for all 7 (100%) of the youth cases reviewed.

<u>Baltimore County Guardianship</u> case reviews made up 2 (1%) of the 212 cases reviewed in large jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Waiver of Reunification Services:

• Reunification has not been waived for the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Permanency Plan:

• The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of Guardianship in the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Appropriate Services (Child):

- The Local Board agreed that appropriate services were being offered to the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.
- Appropriate services were being offered to the foster/kin families of 1 (50%) out of the 2 youth cases reviewed.
- Appropriate services were being offered to the birth families of the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Safety (Current):

• There were no current risk indicators for the 2 youth cases reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

 The Local Board agreed with the placement plan of the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Education and Health:

- The Local Board agreed that the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed were appropriately prepared to meet educational goals.
- The 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed had comprehensive medical records.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Montgomery County

There were a total of 21 youth cases reviews conducted in Montgomery County in the First Quarter of FY15.



<u>Montgomery County Reunification</u> case reviews made up 14 (7%) of the 212 cases reviewed in large jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

- The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of reunification for 8 (57%) out of the 14 youth cases reviewed.
- The Local Board permanency plan recommendation for 2 (14%) out of the 14 cases was Guardianship.
- The Local Board permanency plan recommendation for 4 (29%) out of the 14 cases was Adoption.

Appropriate Services (Child):

- The Local Board agreed that appropriate services were being offered to 13 (93%) out of the 14 youth cases reviewed.
- Appropriate services were being offered to the foster/kin families of 10 (72%) out of the 14 youth cases reviewed.
- Appropriate services were being offered to the birth families of 12 (86%) out of the 14 youth cases reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

• The Local Board agreed with the placement plan of 12 (86%) of the youth cases reviewed.

Education and Health:

- The Local Board agreed that 12 (86%) out of the 14 youth cases reviewed were being appropriately prepared to meet educational goals.
- There were 6 (43%) out of the 14 youth cases reviewed with comprehensive medical records.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for 6 (43%) out of the 14 youth cases reviewed.

<u>Montgomery County APPLA</u> case reviews made up 25 (12%) of the 212 cases reviewed in large jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

- The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of APPLA of 23 (92%) out the 25 youth cases reviewed.
- The Local Board permanency plan recommendation for 1 (4%) out of the 25 cases was Guardianship.
- The Local Board permanency plan recommendation for 1 (4%) out of the 25 cases was APPLA.

Living Arrangement (Current):

• The Local Board agreed with the current placement plan of 22 (88%) out of the 25 youth cases reviewed.

Permanent connection:

• There were 24 (96%) out of the 25 cases reviewed with a plan of APPLA with an identified permanent connection.

Education and Health:

- The Local Board agreed that 20 (80%) out of the 25 youth cases reviewed were being prepared to meet educational goals.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for 11 (44%) of the 25 youth cases reviewed.
- There were 4 (16%) out of 25 youth cases reviewed with an identified substance abuse problem.
- There were 2 (50%) out of the 4 youth with identified substance abuse problems having those problems addressed.

Employment (paid/unpaid):

- There were no youth out of the 25 youth cases reviewed that were either in paid or unpaid employment experience.
- The Local Board agreed that 6 (24%) out of the 25 youth cases reviewed with a plan of APPLA were prepared to meet employment goals.

Housing:

• There were 9 (36%) out of the 25 youth identified as transiting out of care with specified housing.

Transitional plan:

• The Local Board agreed that 8 (89%) out of the 9 youth identified as transiting out of care were being appropriately prepared to transition out of care.

<u>Montgomery County Guardianship</u> case reviews made up 1 (1%) of the 212 cases reviewed in large jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Waiver of Reunification Services:

Reunification has not been waived for the 1 youth case reviewed.

Permanency Plan:

 The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of Guardianship for the 1 youth case reviewed.

Appropriate Services (Child):

- The Local Board agreed that appropriate services were being offered to the 1 youth case reviewed.
- Appropriate services were being offered to the foster/kin families of 1 youth case reviewed.
- Appropriate services were being offered to the birth families to the 1 youth case reviewed.

Safety (Current):

• There were no current risk indicators for the 1 youth case reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

• The Local Board agreed with the placement plan of the 1 youth case reviewed.

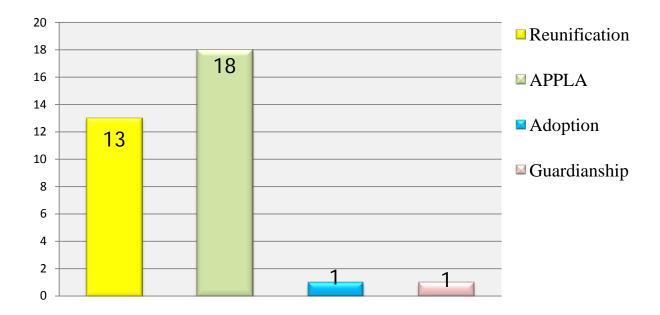
Education and Health:

- The Local Board agreed that the 1 youth case reviewed was appropriately prepared to meet educational goals.
- The 1 youth case reviewed had a comprehensive medical record.
- The Local Board did not agree that the health and mental health needs were

being met for the 1 youth case reviewed.

Prince Georges County

There were a total of 33 youth cases reviews conducted in Prince Georges County in the First Quarter of FY15.



<u>Prince Georges Reunification case reviews</u> made up 13 (6%) of the 212 cases reviewed in large jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

 The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of reunification for all 13 (100%) of the youth cases reviewed.

Appropriate Services (Child):

- The Local Board agreed that appropriate services were being offered to all 13 (100%) of the youth cases reviewed.
- Appropriate services were being offered to the foster/kin families of 5 (39%) out of the 13 youth cases reviewed.
- Appropriate services were being offered to the birth families of 4 (31%) out of the 13 youth cases reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

• The Local Board agreed with the placement plan of all 13 (100%) of the youth cases reviewed.

Education and Health:

- The Local Board agreed that all 13 (100%) of the youth cases reviewed were being appropriately prepared to meet educational goals.
- The 13 (100%) youth cases reviewed had comprehensive medical records.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for the 13 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

<u>Prince Georges APPLA case reviews</u> made up 18 (8%) of the 212 cases reviewed in large jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

• The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of APPLA of the 18 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

 The Local Board agreed with the current placement plan of the 18 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Permanent connection:

• There were 3 (17%) out of the 18 cases reviewed with a plan of APPLA with an identified permanent connection.

Education and Health:

- The Local Board agreed that 17 (94%) out of the 18 youth cases reviewed were being prepared to meet educational goals.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for the 18 (100%) youth cases reviewed.
- There was 1 (6%) out of 18 youth cases reviewed with an identified substance abuse problem.
- The 1 youth identified with the substance abuse problem was not having the problem addressed.

Employment (paid/unpaid):

- There were 5 (28%) out of the 18 youth that were either in paid or unpaid employment experience.
- The Local Board agreed that the 18 (100%) youth cases reviewed with a plan of APPLA were being prepared to meet employment goals.

Housing:

• There was 1 (25%) out of the 4 youth identified as transiting out of care with

specified housing.

Transitional plan:

• The Local Board agreed that 3 (75%) out of the 4 youth identified as transiting out of care were being appropriately prepared to transition out of care.

<u>Prince Georges Adoption case reviews</u> made up 1 (1%) of the 212 cases reviewed in large jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

 The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of Adoption for the 1 youth case reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

 The Local Board agreed with the current placement plan for the 1 youth case reviewed.

Termination of Parental Rights (TPR):

 The Local Board recommends that TPR be filed based on the child being abandoned.

Barriers to Adoption:

• There were no barriers to Adoption for the 1 youth case reviewed.

Education and Health:

- The Local Board agreed that the 1 youth case reviewed was being prepared to meet educational goals.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for the 1 youth case reviewed.

<u>Prince Georges County Guardianship</u> case reviews made up 1 (1%) of the 212 cases reviewed in large jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Waiver of Reunification Services:

Reunification has not been waived for the 1 youth case reviewed.

Permanency Plan:

 The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of Guardianship for the 1 youth case reviewed.

Appropriate Services (Child):

- The Local Board agreed that appropriate services were being offered to the 1 youth case reviewed.
- Appropriate services were being offered to the foster/kin families of 1 youth case reviewed.
- Appropriate services were not being offered to the birth families to the 1 youth case reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

• The Local Board agreed with the placement plan of the 1 youth case reviewed.

Education and Health:

- The Local Board agreed that the 1 youth case reviewed was appropriately prepared to meet educational goals.
- The 1 youth case reviewed had comprehensive medical records.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for the 1 youth case reviewed.

Medium Jurisdiction:

	Reunification	Adoption	APPLA	Guardianship	Total
Allegany	5		3		8
Anne Arundel	2	1	10		13
Cecil		4			4
Charles		2	2	2	6
Frederick	1	1	6		8
Harford	2	3	11		16
Saint Mary's	4	2	1		7
Washington	3	2	9		14
Total	17	15	42	2	76

^{**} *Medium:* 300-500 cases

Out of the total 298 youth reviewed in the First Quarter of FY15, there were a total of 76 (25%) who were placed within medium jurisdictions.

Allegany County

There was a total of 8 youth case reviews conducted in Allegany County in the First Quarter of FY15



<u>Allegany County Reunification</u> case reviews made up 5 (7%) of the 76 cases reviewed in medium jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

• The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of reunification for the 5 (100%) of the youth cases reviewed.

Appropriate Services (Child):

- The Local Board agreed that appropriate services were being offered to the 5 (100%) youth cases reviewed.
- Appropriate services were being offered to the foster/kin families of 4 (80%) out of the 13 youth cases reviewed.
- Appropriate services were being offered to the birth families of 2 (40%) out of the 13 youth cases reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

• The Local Board agreed with the placement plan of the 5 (100%) of the youth cases reviewed.

Education and Health:

- The Local Board agreed that the 5 (100%) youth cases reviewed were being appropriately prepared to meet educational goals.
- The 5 (100%) youth cases reviewed had comprehensive medical records.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for the 5 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

<u>Allegany County APPLA</u> case reviews made up 3 (4%) of the 76 cases reviewed in medium jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

• The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of APPLA for the 3 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

• The Local Board agreed with the current placement plan for the 3 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Permanent connection:

• There were 2 (67%) out of the 3 cases reviewed with a plan of APPLA with an identified permanent connection.

Education and Health:

- The Local Board agreed that the 3 (100%) youth cases reviewed were being prepared to meet educational goals.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for the 3 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Employment (paid/unpaid):

- There were no youth out of the 3 cases reviewed that were either in paid or unpaid employment experience.
- The Local Board agreed that the 1 youth who was age appropriate for employment with a plan of APPLA was being prepared to meet employment goals.

Housing:

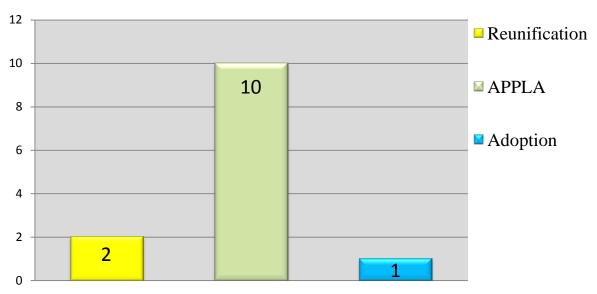
• There was 1 (33%) out of the 3 youth identified as transiting out of care with specified housing.

Transitional plan:

• The Local Board agreed that the 1 (33%) out of the 3 youth identified as transiting out of care were being appropriately prepared to transition out of care.

Anne Arundel County

There was a total of 13 youth case reviews conducted in Anne Arundel County in the First Quarter of FY15.



<u>Anne Arundel County Reunification case reviews</u> made up 2 (3%) of the 76 cases reviewed in medium jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

• The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of reunification for all 2 (100%) of the youth cases reviewed.

Appropriate Services (Child):

- The Local Board agreed that appropriate services were being offered to all 2(100%) of the youth cases reviewed.
- Appropriate services were not being offered to the foster/kin families of the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.
- Appropriate services were being offered to the birth families of 1 (50%) out of the 2 youth cases reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

 The Local Board agreed with the placement plan of the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Education and Health:

- The Local Board agreed that the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed were being appropriately prepared to meet educational goals.
- The 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed had comprehensive medical records.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

<u>Anne Arundel County APPLA</u> case reviews made up 10 (13%) of the 76 cases reviewed in medium jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

- The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of APPLA of 6 (60%) out the 10 youth cases reviewed.
- The Local Board permanency plan recommendation for 3 (30%) out of the 10 cases was Guardianship.
- The Local Board permanency plan recommendation for 1 (10%) out of the 10 cases was Adoption.

Living Arrangement (Current):

• The Local Board agreed with the current placement plan of 8 (80%) out of the 10 youth cases reviewed.

Permanent connection:

• There were 9 (90%) out of the 10 cases reviewed with a plan of APPLA with an identified permanent connection.

Education and Health:

- The Local Board agreed that 8 (80%) out of the 10 youth cases reviewed were being prepared to meet educational goals.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for 5 (50%) of the 10 youth cases reviewed.
- There were 2 (20%) out of 10 youth cases reviewed with an identified substance abuse problem.
- The 2 youth with identified substance abuse problems were not having them addressed.

Employment (paid/unpaid):

- There was 1 (33%) out of the 3 youth who were age appropriate for employment that were either in paid or unpaid employment experience.
- The Local Board agreed that 1 (33%) out of the 3 youth cases reviewed who

were age appropriate with a plan of APPLA were prepared to meet employment goals.

Housing:

 The 1 youth case reviewed identified as transiting out of care did not have specified housing.

Transitional plan:

• The Local Board agreed the 1 youth identified as transiting out of care were being appropriately prepared to transition out of care.

<u>Anne Arundel County Adoption case reviews</u> made up 1 (1%) of the 76 cases reviewed in medium jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

• The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of Adoption for the 1 youth case reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

• The Local Board agreed with the current placement plan for the 1 youth case reviewed.

Termination of Parental Rights (TPR):

TPR was granted for the 1 youth case reviewed.

Barriers to Adoption:

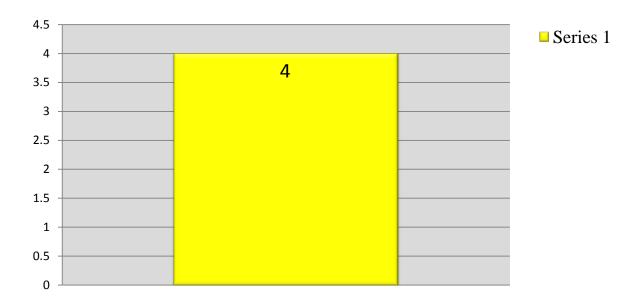
• The 1 case reviewed was being appealed by the birth parents in court.

Education and Health:

- The Local Board did not agree that the 1 youth case reviewed was being prepared to meet educational goals.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for the 1 youth case reviewed.

Cecil County

There were a total of 4 youth cases reviews conducted in Cecil County in the First Quarter of FY15.



<u>Cecil County Adoption case reviews</u> made up 4 (5%) of the 76 cases reviewed in medium jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

 The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of Adoption for the 4 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

• The Local Board agreed with the current placement plan for the 4 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Termination of Parental Rights (TPR):

- TPR was granted for 2 (50%) out of the 4 youth cases reviewed.
- TPR was appealed for 2 (50%) out of the 4 youth cases reviewed.
- TPR was delayed by appeal for 1 (25%) out of the 4 youth cases reviewed.

Barriers to Adoption:

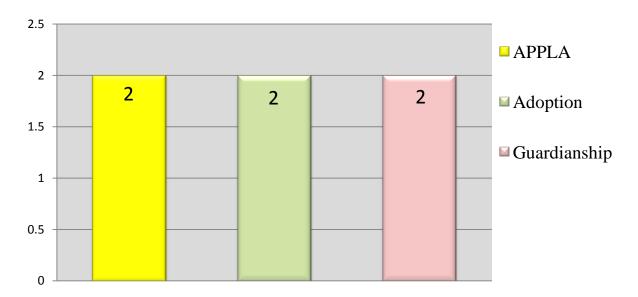
- There were 3 (75%) out of the 4 youth cases reviewed had a court barrier to adoption, by youth being in a pre-adoptive home, but adoption not finalized.
- There was 1 (25%) out of the 4 youth cases reviewed with an agency barrier to adoption, by Homestudy not being approved.

Education and Health:

- The Local Board agreed the 4 youth cases reviewed were being prepared to meet educational goals.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for the 4 youth cases reviewed.

Charles County

There were a total of 6 youth cases reviews conducted in Charles County in the First Quarter of FY15



<u>Charles County APPLA</u> case reviews made up 2 (3%) of the 76 cases reviewed in medium jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

• The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of APPLA for the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

• The Local Board agreed with the current placement plan of the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Permanent connection:

• There was 1 (50%) out of the 2 cases reviewed with a plan of APPLA that had an identified permanent connection.

Education and Health:

- The Local Board agreed that the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed were being prepared to meet educational goals.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Employment (paid/unpaid):

• The Local Board agreed that the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed were prepared to meet employment goals.

Transitional plan:

The 2 youth cases reviewed were not identified as transiting out of care.

<u>Charles County Adoption</u> case reviews made up 2 (3%) of the 76 cases reviewed in medium jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

• The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of Adoption for the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

 The Local Board agreed with the current placement plan for the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Termination of Parental Rights (TPR):

• TPR was granted for 1 (50%) out of the 2 youth cases reviewed.

Barriers to Adoption:

 There were no barriers to adoption identified for the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Education and Health:

- The Local Board agreed the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed were being prepared to meet educational goals.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met

for the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

<u>Charles County Guardianship</u> case reviews made up 2 (3%) of the 76 cases reviewed in medium jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

• The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of Guardianship for the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Appropriate Services (Child):

- The Local Board agreed that appropriate services were being offered to the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.
- Appropriate services were being offered to the foster/kin families of 1 (50%) out the 2 youth cases reviewed.

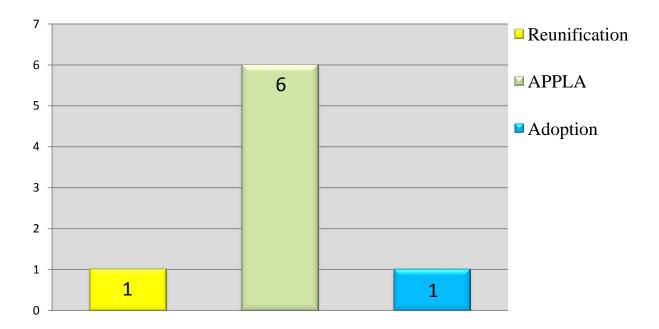
Living Arrangement (Current):

• The Local Board agreed with the placement plan of the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

- The Local Board agreed that the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed was appropriately prepared to meet educational goals.
- The 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed had comprehensive medical records.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Frederick County

There were a total of 8 youth cases reviews conducted in Frederick County in the First Quarter of FY15.



<u>Frederick County Reunification case reviews</u> made up 1 (1%) of the 76 cases reviewed in medium jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

 The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of reunification for the 1 youth case reviewed.

Appropriate Services (Child):

- The Local Board agreed that appropriate services were being offered to the 1 youth cases reviewed.
- Appropriate services were not being offered to the foster/kin families of the 1 youth case reviewed.
- Appropriate services were being offered to the birth families of 1 youth case reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

• The Local Board agreed with the placement plan of the 1 youth case reviewed.

Education and Health:

• The Local Board agreed that the 1 youth case reviewed were being appropriately prepared to meet educational goals.

- The 1 youth case reviewed had comprehensive medical records.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for the 1 youth case reviewed.

<u>Frederick County APPLA</u> case reviews made up 6 (8%) of the 76 cases reviewed in medium jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

- The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of APPLA of 5 (83%) out the 6 youth cases reviewed.
- The Local Board permanency plan recommendation for 1 (17%) out of the 6 cases was Guardianship.

Living Arrangement (Current):

• The Local Board agreed with the current placement plan of 4 (67%) out of the 6 youth cases reviewed.

Permanent connection:

• There were 4 (67%) out of the 6 cases reviewed with a plan of APPLA with an identified permanent connection.

Education and Health:

- The Local Board agreed the 6 (100%) youth cases reviewed were being prepared to meet educational goals.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for 3 (50%) of the 6 youth cases reviewed.
- There were 3 (50%) out of 6 youth cases reviewed with an identified substance abuse problem.
- There was 1 (33%) of the 3 youth with identified substance abuse problems having them addressed.

Employment (paid/unpaid):

- There was 1 (20%) out of the 5 youth who were age appropriate for employment that were either in paid or unpaid employment experience.
- The Local Board agreed that 1 (20%) out of the 5 youth cases reviewed who were age appropriate with a plan of APPLA were prepared to meet employment goals.

Housing:

• There were 2 (33%) out of the 6 youth case reviewed identified as transiting out

of care that did have specified housing.

Transitional plan:

• The Local Board agreed the 2 (33%) youth identified as transiting out of care were being appropriately prepared to transition out of care.

<u>Frederick County Adoption case reviews</u> made up 1 (1%) of the 76 cases reviewed in medium jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

 The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of Adoption for the 1 youth case reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

 The Local Board agreed with the current placement plan for the 1 youth case reviewed.

Termination of Parental Rights (TPR):

• The Local Board recommends that TPR be filed based on the child being in care 15 of 22 months.

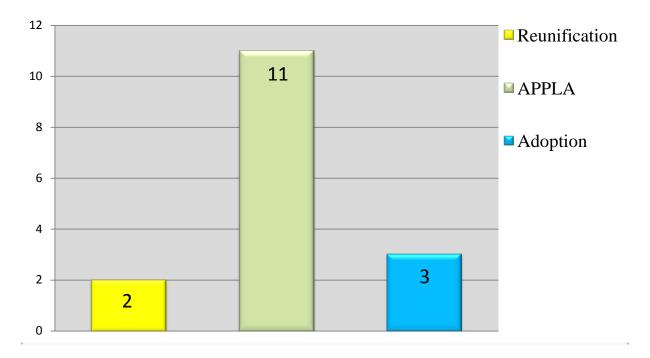
Barriers to Adoption:

• There were no barriers to Adoption for the 1 youth case reviewed.

- The 1 youth case reviewed has a concrete plan detailing how they will complete high school.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for the 1 youth case reviewed.

Harford County

There were a total of 16 youth cases reviews conducted in Harford County in the First Ouarter of FY15



<u>Harford County Reunification</u> case reviews made up 2 (3%) of the 76 cases reviewed in medium jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

• The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of reunification for the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Appropriate Services (Child):

- The Local Board agreed that appropriate services were being offered to the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.
- Appropriate services were not being offered to the foster/kin families of 1 (50%) out of 2 youth cases reviewed.
- Appropriate services were being offered to the birth families of 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

 The Local Board agreed with the placement plan of the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

- The Local Board agreed that the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed were being appropriately prepared to meet educational goals.
- There was 1 (50%) out of the 2 youth cases reviewed with comprehensive medical records.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

<u>Harford County APPLA</u> case reviews made up 11 (14%) of the 76 cases reviewed in medium jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

- The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of APPLA of 10 (91%) out the 11 youth cases reviewed.
- The Local Board permanency plan recommendation for 1 (9%) out of the 11 cases was Adoption.

Living Arrangement (Current):

• The Local Board agreed with the current placement plan of 10 (91%) out of the 11 youth cases reviewed.

Permanent connection:

• There were 8 (73%) out of the 11 cases reviewed with a plan of APPLA with an identified permanent connection.

Education and Health:

- The Local Board agreed the 11 (100%) youth cases reviewed were being prepared to meet educational goals.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for 3 (50%) of the 11 youth cases reviewed.
- There were 3 (50%) out of 11 youth cases reviewed with an identified substance abuse problem.
- There was 1 (33%) of the 3 youth with identified substance abuse problems having them addressed.

Employment (paid/unpaid):

- There was 1 (20%) out of the 5 youth who were age appropriate for employment that were either in paid or unpaid employment experience.
- The Local Board agreed that 1 (20%) out of the 5 youth cases reviewed who were age appropriate with a plan of APPLA were prepared to meet employment goals.

Housing:

 The 3 youth cases reviewed who were identified as transiting out of care had specified housing.

Transitional plan:

• The Local Board agreed the 3 youth identified as transiting out of care were being appropriately prepared to transition out of care.

<u>Harford County Adoption case reviews</u> made up 3 (4%) of the 76 cases reviewed in medium jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

• The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of Adoption for the 3 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

 The Local Board agreed with the current placement plan for the 3 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Termination of Parental Rights (TPR):

• The Local Board recommends that the 3 (100%) youth cases reviewed have TPR filed/granted based for the youth being in care 15 of 22 months.

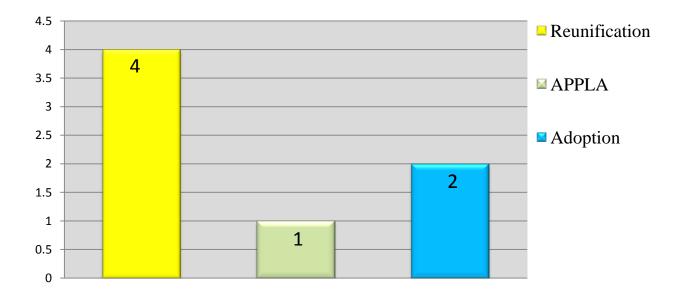
Barriers to Adoption:

• The 3 (100%) youth cases reviewed had barriers to adoption based on them being in pre-adoptive homes, but adoption not finalized.

- The Local Board agreed the 3 (100%) youth cases reviewed were being appropriately prepared to meet educational goals.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for the 2 (67%) out of 3 youth cases reviewed.

Saint Mary's County

There were a total of 7 youth cases reviews conducted in St. Mary's County in the First Quarter of FY15.



<u>St. Mary's County Reunification</u> case reviews made up 4 (5%) of the 76 cases reviewed in medium jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

• The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of reunification for the 4 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Appropriate Services (Child):

- The Local Board agreed that appropriate services were being offered to the 4 (100%) youth cases reviewed.
- Appropriate services were not being offered to the foster/kin families to the 4 (100%) youth cases reviewed.
- Appropriate services were being offered to the birth families of 1 (25%) out of 4 youth cases reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

 The Local Board agreed with the placement plan of the 4 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Education and Health:

• The Local Board agreed that the 4 (100%) youth cases reviewed were being appropriately prepared to meet educational goals.

- The 4 (100%) youth cases reviewed had comprehensive medical records.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for the 4 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

<u>St. Mary's County APPLA</u> case reviews made up 1 (1%) of the 76 cases reviewed in medium jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

 The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of APPLA for the 1 youth case reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

 The Local Board agreed with the current placement plan of the 1 youth case reviewed.

Permanent connection:

 The 1 case reviewed with a plan of APPLA had an identified permanent connection.

Education and Health:

- The Local Board agreed the 1 youth case reviewed was being prepared to meet educational goals.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for the 1 youth case reviewed.

Employment (paid/unpaid):

- The 1 youth case reviewed did not have either in paid or unpaid employment experience.
- The Local Board agreed that 1 youth case reviewed with a plan of APPLA was prepared to meet employment goals.

Housing:

 The 1 youth case reviewed was identified as transiting out of care with specified housing.

Transitional plan:

• The Local Board agreed the 1 youth identified as transiting out of care was being appropriately prepared to transition out of care.

<u>St. Mary's County Adoption</u> case reviews in St. Mary's County made up 2 (2%) of the 76 cases reviewed in medium jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

• The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of Adoption for the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

• The Local Board agreed with the current placement plan for the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Termination of Parental Rights (TPR):

• The 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed have TPR granted.

Barriers to Adoption:

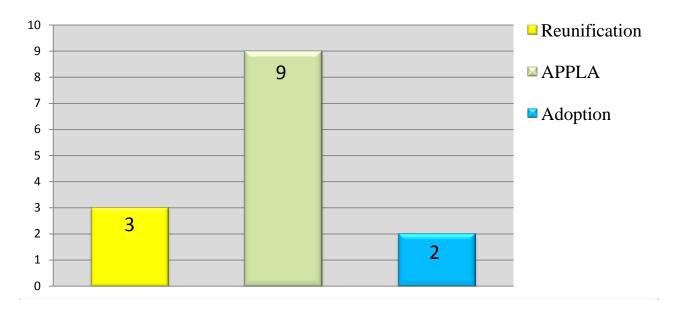
• There was 1 (50%) out of the 2 youth cases reviewed had family barriers to adoption based on disruption of finalized adoption.

Education and Health:

- The Local Board agreed the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed were being appropriately prepared to meet educational goals.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Washington County

There were a total of 14 youth cases reviews conducted in Washington County in the First Quarter of FY15.



<u>Washington County Reunification</u> case reviews made up 3 (4%) of the 76 cases reviewed in medium jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

• The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of reunification for the 3 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Appropriate Services (Child):

- The Local Board agreed that appropriate services were being offered to the 3 (100%) youth cases reviewed.
- Appropriate services were being offered to the birth families of 1 (33%) out of 3 youth cases reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

 The Local Board agreed with the placement plan of the 3 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Education and Health:

- The Local Board agreed that the 3 (100%) youth cases reviewed were being appropriately prepared to meet educational goals.
- The 3 (100%) youth cases reviewed had comprehensive medical records.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for the 3 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

<u>Washington County APPLA</u> case reviews made up 9 (12%) of the 76 cases reviewed in medium jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

 The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of APPLA for the 9 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

 The Local Board agreed with the current placement plan of the 9 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Permanent connection:

• There were 2 (22%) out of the 9 youth cases reviewed with a plan of APPLA had an identified permanent connection.

- The Local Board agreed the 9 (100%) youth cases reviewed were being prepared to meet educational goals.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for the 9 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Employment (paid/unpaid):

- The 8 (89%) youth cases reviewed who were age appropriate did not have paid or unpaid employment experience.
- The Local Board agreed that the 8 (89%) youth cases reviewed who were age appropriate with a plan of APPLA were prepared to meet employment goals.

Housing:

• The 1 out of 9 youth cases reviewed who was identified as transiting out of care did have specified housing.

Transitional plan:

• The Local Board agreed the 1 out of 9 youth cases reviewed identified as transiting out of care was being appropriately prepared to transition out of care.

<u>Washington County Adoption case reviews</u> made up 2 (3%) of the 76 cases reviewed in medium jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

• The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of Adoption for the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

• The Local Board agreed with the current placement plan for the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Termination of Parental Rights (TPR):

• The 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed have TPR granted.

Barriers to Adoption:

• There was 1 (50%) out of the 2 youth cases reviewed had child barriers to adoption based on disruption of finalized adoption.

Education and Health:

 The Local Board agreed the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed were being appropriately prepared to meet educational goals. • The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for the 2 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Small Jurisdiction:

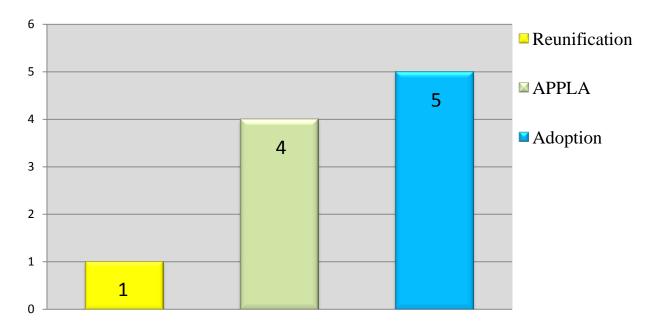
	Reunification	Adoption	APPLA	Total Cases
Calvert County	1	5	4	10

Note: Fewer than 100 cases

There were a total of 10 (16%) out of the total 212 youth reviewed in the First Quarter of FY15, who were placed within small jurisdiction.

Calvert County

Out of the total 298 youth reviewed in the First Quarter of FY15, there were a total of 10 (3%) who were placed within small jurisdictions.



<u>Calvert County Reunification</u> case reviews made up 1 (10%) of the 10 cases reviewed in small jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

• The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of reunification for the 1 youth case reviewed.

Appropriate Services (Child):

- The Local Board agreed that appropriate services were being offered to the 1 youth cases reviewed.
- Appropriate services were being offered to the foster/kin families of the 1 youth case reviewed.
- Appropriate services were being offered to the birth family of 1 youth case reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

• The Local Board agreed with the placement plan of the 1 youth case reviewed.

Education and Health:

- The Local Board agreed that the 1 youth case reviewed were being appropriately prepared to meet educational goals.
- The 1 youth case reviewed had comprehensive medical records.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for the 1 youth case reviewed.

<u>Calvert County APPLA</u> case reviews made up 4 (40%) of the 10 cases reviewed in the small jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

 The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of APPLA for the 4 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

• The Local Board agreed with the current placement plan of the 4 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Permanent connection:

• There was 1 (25%) out of the 4 youth cases reviewed with a plan of APPLA had an identified permanent connection.

Education and Health:

- The Local Board agreed the 4 (100%) youth cases reviewed were being prepared to meet educational goals.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for the 4 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Employment (paid/unpaid):

• There were 2 (50%) out of the 4 youth cases reviewed who did have paid or unpaid employment experience.

• The Local Board agreed that the 4 (100%) youth cases reviewed with a plan of APPLA were prepared to meet employment goals.

Transitional plan:

• None of the 4 (100%) youth cases reviewed were identified as transiting out of care.

<u>Calvert County Adoption</u> case reviews made up 5 (50%) of the 10 cases reviewed in small jurisdictions within the First Quarter.

Permanency Plan:

• The Local Board agreed with the current permanency plan of Adoption for the 5 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Living Arrangement (Current):

• The Local Board agreed with the current placement plan for the 5 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Termination of Parental Rights (TPR):

• TPR was filed timely for the 5 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

Barriers to Adoption:

• There was 1 (20%) out of the 5 youth cases reviewed had child barriers to adoption based on behavioral problems in the home.

- The Local Board agreed the 5 (100%) youth cases reviewed were being appropriately prepared to meet educational goals.
- The Local Board agreed that the health and mental health needs were being met for the 5 (100%) youth cases reviewed.

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