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Module 1: Purpose and Fundamentals

D.S. Settlement

D.S. Lawsuit and Settlement Agreement <https://www.dcyf.wa.gov/practice/practice-improvement/ds-settlement>

Class Action Complaint, January 29, 2021 <https://disabilityrightswa.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/10/Complaint-Filed-1.29.21.pdf>

New Class Action Settlement Process Engages Impacted Youth in Designing Solutions <https://www.thinkofus.org/news/new-class-action-settlement-process-engages-impacted-youth-in-designing-solutions>

Settlement Agreement https://www.dcyf.wa.gov/sites/default/files/pdf/DS_SettlementAgreement_Signed_060622.pdf

Settlement Infographic https://www.dcyf.wa.gov/sites/default/files/pubs/CWP_0109.pdf

D.S. Implementation Plan <https://www.dcyf.wa.gov/sites/default/files/pdf/FinalDSImplementationPlan.pdf>

D.S. Semi-Annual Report January 1, 2024 – June 30, 2024 https://www.dcyf.wa.gov/sites/default/files/pdf/DSSemiAnnual%20Report_August2024.pdf

Stakeholder Facilitation for System Improvements, Washington Department of Children, Youth, and Families, April 21, 2023 http://www.dcyf.wa.gov/sites/default/files/pdf/D.S.EngagementFindingsRecommendations_stage1.pdf



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Youth Outcomes

Annie E. Casey Foundation <https://www.aecf.org/>

Casey Family Programs <https://www.casey.org/>

Kids Count Data Center, Annie E. Casey Foundation <https://datacenter.aecf.org/>

Think of Us <https://www.thinkofus.org/>

Children's Rights <https://www.childrensrights.org/>

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Administration on Children, Youth and Families, Children's Bureau <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/cb>

Rightsizing Congregate Care, A Powerful First Step in Transforming Child Welfare Systems <https://assets.aecf.org/m/resourcedoc/AECF-RightsizingCongregateCare-2009.pdf>

Information Packet, Safe Children: What are the outcomes for youth placed in group and institutional settings <https://www.casey.org/group-placement-impacts/>

Away From Home, Youth Experiences of Institutional Placements in Foster Care https://assets.website-files.com/60a6942819ce8053cefd0947/60f6b1eba474362514093f96_Away%20From%20Home%20-%20Report.pdf

Families Over Facilities: Ending the use of harmful and unnecessary institutions and other group facilities in child welfare systems <https://www.childrensrights.org/wp-content/uploads/imported-files/CR-Families-Over-Facilities-Report.pdf>

The Harms of Institutionalization 2023 Fact Sheet <https://www.childrensrights.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/12/The-Harms-of-Institutionalization-2023-Fact-Sheet.pdf>

The AFCARS Report, National <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/documents/cb/afcars-report-30.pdf>

The AFCARS Report: Washington <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/documents/cb/afcars-tar-wa-2022.pdf>

Practice Improvement

Permanency From Day One https://content.govdelivery.com/bulletins/gd/WADEL-36d42ad?wgt_ref=WADEL_WIDGET_482

Washington State DCYF Kin-First Culture Research and Recommendations
<https://dcyf.wa.gov/sites/default/files/reports/KinReport.pdf>

Creating healing pathways for children with behavioral health needs, Key considerations for child welfare leaders and partners <https://www.casey.org/media/Creating-Healing-Pathways-for-Children-Report-Sept.pdf>

Kinship Policy Improvements Toward Child Welfare System
<https://assets.aecf.org/m/resourcedoc/Report-kinshippolicyimprovements-2024.pdf>

DCYF Strategic Priorities

The Department of Children, Youth, and Families - Strategic Priorities 2021-2026
https://www.dcyf.wa.gov/sites/default/files/pubs/COMM_0058%20DCYF_Strategic_Priorities_2021-2026.pdf

Racial Equity and Social Justice Framework
https://www.dcyf.wa.gov/sites/default/files/pubs/HR_0003.pdf