

Ongoing Child Protective Services- The Protective Capacities Family Assessment and Family Case Plan Evaluation

Caregiver protective capacities are traits that are connected with caregivers being able to provide a safe home for their children. Because a child is unsafe, there is Caregiver Protective Capacities missing or not as strong as they could be. The Protective Capacities Family Assessment takes into account Caregiver Protective Capacities that exist and use those positive traits to help the caregiver change the issues that caused the child to be unsafe. A Family Case Plan is developed with the family and when the goals of the Family Case Plan are met the child will be safe in their home.

The Family Case Plan Evaluation measures progress in meeting the goals developed with the family and to make sure that the child remains safe. The Family Case Plan Evaluation also determines if the services put in place are helping the family meet the goals or if new services are necessary.

In order for an Ongoing Child Protective Services Case to be closed, the child must be safe in their home or the child is in another permanent living arrangement such as adoption.