

FINDINGS

- Determine whether the child can and should be returned home with or without orders of protective supervision. [R.C. 2151.417(G)(3)]
- If the child cannot be returned home, determine if the child should remain in the custody of the agency or whether custody should be transferred to another public children services agency, private child-placing agency, or another individual. [R.C. 2151.417(G)(3)]
- An initial order for temporary custody terminates one year after the earlier of the date on which the complaint was filed or on which the child was first placed in shelter care. [R.C. 2151.353(F)]; [Juv.R. 14(A)]

NOTE

Upon the filing of a motion, the temporary custody order continues until the court rules on that motion under R.C. 2151.415.

CASE PLANS [R.C. 2151.412]

- The case plan shall have the following general goals:
 - consistent with the best interest and special needs of the child, to achieve a safe out-of-home placement in the least restrictive, most family-like setting available and in close proximity to the home from which the child was removed or the home in which the child will be permanently placed;
- AND**
 - to eliminate with all due speed the need for the out-of-home placement so that the child can safely return home. [R.C. 2151.412(G)(1)(b)]
- When a child is in temporary custody and that child was either neglected or abused or witnessed the abuse or neglect of a sibling in his household, the case plan shall include, at a minimum: (1) that the child's parents, guardian, or custodian participate in mandatory counseling; and (2) that the child's parents, guardian, or custodian participate in any supportive services that are provided pursuant to the child's case plan. [R.C. 2151.412(I)]