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Subj: Executive Directive: Administrative Case Consultation for Children under the Age of Ten Years Prior to Referral to Inpatient Mental Health Facilities for Acute or Comprehensive Residential Treatment(**ADDENDUM to Executive Directive 2009-01**)

This Executive Directive adds clarification to Executive Directive 2009-01 which established that the County Supervisor or designee must consult with the DCFS Administrator On-Call prior to referring any child under the age of ten to an acute or comprehensive residential treatment program.

If the child in foster care is in a therapeutic foster home, a licensed mental health professional employed by the Therapeutic Foster Provider may perform the mental health assessment and provide recommendation for acute or residential inpatient services.

If you have any questions, call Anne Wells, DCFS Mental Health Specialist at 501 682-8771 or email at anne.wells@arkansas.gov .

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