Qualified Residential Treatment Program (QRTP) Reference Guide

CHIPS, JIPS, Delinquency, or TPR Case + **Shelter Care, Group Home, or Residential Care Center Placement** + **Certified as a Qualified Residential Treatment Program - § 48.675** = **QRTP Requirements Apply**

Child/Juvenile Enters QRTP Placement

Assessment Due (Notice of Change in Placement)
10 Days*

Assessment Due
30 Days

Court Findings Due
60 Days

*30 days, if good cause shown.

ASSESSMENT

The "standardized assessment" is a tool to determine appropriateness of the placement in a setting certified as a QRTP.

- Individual who conducted the assessment must also provide a recommendation supporting the requested court findings.
- Submitted by the agency as the "Permanency Plan Addendum for Placement in a Setting Certified as a QRTP".
- Must be provided to all case participants who are entitled to receive a copy of the petition, request, or notice.
- If the assessment is not available when the QRTP placement is ordered, the Request for QRTP Placement Findings (JD-1826) and Findings and Order for QRTP Placement (JD-1827) should be used.

FINDINGS

After receiving the assessment and recommendation, the court must make findings within 60 days of the QRTP placement as to:

1. Whether the needs of the child/juvenile can be met through placement in a foster home,
2. Whether the placement in a QRTP provides the most effective and appropriate level of care for the child/juvenile in the least restrictive environment,
3. Whether the placement is consistent with the short-term and long-term goals for the child/juvenile, as identified in the permanency plan, and
4. Whether to approve or disapprove the placement.

CONSEQUENCES

Court may order QRTP placement regardless of whether findings are made in the affirmative or negative.



Failure to make the findings timely prevents claiming of federal Title IV-E reimbursement.

RESOURCES

CCIP E-Learning:
https://wicciptraining.com
DCF Webpage:
https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/family-first/qrtp

