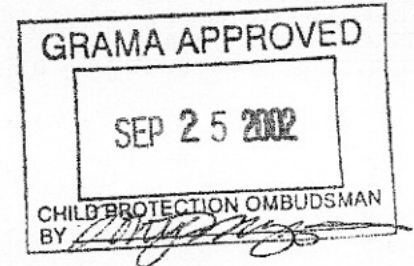


# Memorandum



To: Linda Winger, Constituent Services Specialist  
From: Tonya Myrup, OCPO  
Date: 11/05/01  
Re: Bierly recommendations

OCPO has reviewed the regional and administrative responses on the Bierly case. According to the responses, DCFS Regional Administration disagreed with three recommendations and DCFS State Administration disagreed with two recommendations. OCPO spoke with Patti Vanwagoner, Community Services Manager, regarding the recommendations with which the region disagrees. On the first recommendation which was in question, OCPO found that DCFS has implemented a satisfactory resolution to the concern. On the second recommendation, which was training for Carolyn Thomas, DCFS and OCPO have come to consensus. OCPO was informed that Ms. Thomas will not be re-taking the Human Resource Supervisor Training, but she will be attending CPS policy training and receiving on-going mentoring by Ms. Vanwagoner. On the last recommendation in question, OCPO recommended the DCFS supervisor and caseworker training on the policy regarding foster children traveling out of state. DCFS responded that they disagree as, "...the supervisor and caseworker have reviewed the policy and are aware that they were out of compliance with this policy because of the intervention and direction of the Assistant Attorney General and the Guardian Ad Litem." OCPO is satisfied with this response, as it documents that the DCFS supervisor and caseworker have reviewed the policy.

In regards to OCPO recommendation #2 to state administration regarding diabetes training, OCPO is pleased with your alternative resolution to the complaint and will include this in OCPO's recommendation tracking. In regards to recommendation #4, although OCPO strongly encourages this recommendation, OCPO is satisfied with the DCFS response that although DCFS will not require administrators and supervisors to document involvement in cases in SAFE, that this practice would be recommended. OCPO will track recommendations #2 and #10 for a period of 60 days.

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