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POLICY BULLETIN 2017-07 (Update)

| Section and Title | 34-2 Child Protective Services: Investigations - UPDATE |
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| Effective Date | May 1, 2017, updated on May 24, 2107 |
| Target Audience | All CPS staff |
| Purpose | This is an update to the recently issued Investigations policy. The changes are as follows: |
| | Added a section requiring notification to Probate Court of any legal guardian who is substantiated, regardless of whether the alleged victim is the guardian's ward. |
| | Changed mandatory legal and RRG consults to discretionary at the direction of the Supervisor. |
| | Removed two sections, which will be added to the forthcoming Practice Guide, meaning they are no longer strictly mandatory but are considered best practice and adhered to when possible: "Time Frame for Contact with Other Children in the Home" "Time Frame for Contact with Other Children Who |
| | Reside in Another Home" |
| | Revised the Supervision section (p. 6) to: Require documentation of the case assignment and supervisory expectations. Change the required minimum of supervisory conferences during an investigation from three conference to two conferences. |
| Distribution and Review Process | Via All Staff email and Webinar training |
| Suggestions for Improvement | If you have any suggestions for clarifying or improving this policy, procedures or forms, please contact: Director of Change Management Yadira Ijeh or Director of the Workforce Academy Jodi Hill-Lilly. |