## FIFTEEN-DAY REVIEWS PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL PLACEMENT

- AUTHORITY: Welfare and Institutions Code Sections 727 and 737(b) Juvenile Court Rules, Rule 5.790(h)
- **RESCINDS:** Procedure Manual Item 2-6-203, dated 12/04/18

FORMS:Information for Court Officer(F057-9099AF)Fifteen-Day Review(F057-5157)Application for Petition/Intake(F057-4024)Modification Petition-Nonappearance(F057-5120CR)

**PURPOSE:** To provide guidelines for completing Fifteen-Day Reviews to the Court when custody of a youth has been vested in the Probation Officer for suitable placement and the child is detained pending execution of the disposition order.

## I. GENERAL INFORMATION

- A. The Law
  - 1. Section 737(b) WIC requires review in any case in which a placement youth is detained for more than 15 days pending the execution of the order of commitment or any other disposition. The Court shall periodically review the case to determine whether the delay is reasonable, commencing from the time the youth was initially detained pending execution of the Order of Commitment or any other disposition.
  - 2. At each review, the Court shall inquire about:
    - a. Action taken by the Probation Department to carry out its order.
    - b. The reasons for the delay.
    - c. The effect of the delay upon the youth.
- B. Fifteen-Day Reviews will be scheduled and completed by the assigned Placement Officer.
  - 1. When a suitable placement has failed to be effective, the placement officer will:
    - a. Make efforts to eliminate the need to return the youth to juvenile hall by seeking placement in other probation-approved group homes, or Short Term Residential **Therapeutic** Programs (STRTP).
    - b. Enter a youth into juvenile hall by completing an Application for Petition. On the line which follows "offense," write the letters "CR"

which indicates Court Replacement, unless a probation violation is filed.

- c. Complete a Probable Cause **Declaration** form explaining the necessity of replacement of the youth.
- d. Contact the parent or guardian informing them of the detention hearing date and time.
- e. Complete **Fifteen-Day** Reviews until replacement is accomplished.
- 2. When a youth not previously scheduled for placement receives a Suitable Placement Order from the Court pending **their** first placement **and is in custody at the time:** 
  - a. When a youth is designated for suitable placement, the Court schedules a Fifteen-Day Review.
  - b. The designated Placement Officer is responsible for the preparation of a report every 15 days until placement is accomplished.
  - c. In the event the Court does not calendar a 15-Day Review, the DPO shall, via modification petition, request one be set <u>15 days after</u> completion of a commitment or after the order for detention.

## II. PROCEDURE

- A. The DPO prepares, in triplicate, the Fifteen-Day Review for submission to the Court two days prior to the review date.
  - 1. When probation is not designated lead agency on a dual status case, the assigned DPO may submit an Information for Court Officer report, if requested by the court, in place of the Fifteen-Day Review as the social services agency is responsible for completing the required Fifteen-Day Review report.
- B. Each section of the report is to be sufficiently completed, in order to fully inform the Court of efforts made to comply with the Court's order.
  - 1. If placement or replacement has been accomplished, indicate this in Section I of the report, leave Sections II and III blank.
  - 2. If the youth has not been placed or committed, complete the entire form and indicate the youth's present housing location (juvenile hall, YGC, etc.)
  - 3. When filling out Sections II and III, be <u>specific</u>, and provide as much detail as possible.
  - 4. The Placement Unit Supervising Probation Officer (SPO) reviews the report and signs the report form.

Procedures:	2-6-201 2-6-202 2-6-204 2-6-207	Juvenile Placement Referral Process Out-of-Home Residence or Vacations for Juveniles Placement Information Change Notice Periodic, Permanency Planning Review and Status Review Reports
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