

SUGGESTED CASE CONFERENCE QUESTIONS

For supervisor/child protection specialist (CPS)
with LGBTQ-identified child on caseload.

1. Is this youth SELF-identifying as LGBTQ? If not, what makes you think they are?
2. Is this youth confident and open, or hesitant and struggling with their identity as LGBTQ?
3. Is this youth involved in supportive services? If so what are they?
4. Is this youth involved in supportive services specific to the LGBTQ population? If so, what are they?
5. If this youth is not involved in LGBTQ supportive services what is available and appropriate for them?
6. Is the substitute care provider knowledgeable regarding LGBTQ issues/risks/concerns?
7. Is the substitute care provider nurturing and supportive of this youth?
8. Does the youth feel supported by the substitute care provider?
9. Is the biological family supportive of this youth and his/her identification as LGBTQ?
10. Does the youth display signs of self-hatred or self-harm?
11. Does this youth have any positive role-models or mentors within the LGBTQ community?
12. Is the youth practicing/identifying with an unhealthy or unsafe lifestyle? (i.e. drugs, gangs, unprotected sex)
13. Is the youth being bullied in school or elsewhere?
14. If so, what is this youth's reaction? Does he/she display excessive anger/hostility towards aggressors?
15. What coping mechanisms does this youth utilize?
16. Does this CPS have any personal issues or concerns that need to be discussed/addressed, regarding working with LGBTQ youth?
17. Is the CPS prepared to answer questions from youth ,providers or biological family about LGBTQ issues/concerns/risks?