

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES**

TO: Interested Parties

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SUBJECT: Final DCYF Rules

In accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act, the Department is promulgating the following final DCYF rules. These rules comply with good child welfare, mental health and juvenile justice practice and are accessible on the DCYF website (<http://www.dcyf.ri.gov>) and on the Secretary of State's Proposed Rules and Regulations Database Search (<http://www.sec.state.ri.us/ProposedRules/>).

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Amended

Comprehensive Assessment and Service Planning

This rule is amended to remove the reference to the GAIN assessment instrument to allow the facility flexibility in choosing an instrument which evaluates a broad spectrum of mental health and substance abuse issues to determine necessary levels of treatment and placement at the RI Training School and to clarify the assessment process for children and youth open to the Department for issues that do not involve a CPS investigation relating to an allegation of child abuse and/or neglect (Truancy, Wayward, Delinquency, Drug Court, Children's Behavioral Health or JCS).

Administrative Classification to Restrictive Status

This rule is amended to remove a misplaced reference to room confinement.

Lock Up

This rule is amended to reduce the maximum time a juvenile can be placed in Lock Up from five to three days.

Major Discipline Review

This rule is amended to reduce time a resident can be remanded to his/her room from five to three days.

Clinical Services at the Rhode Island Training School

This rule is amended to remove the reference to the GAIN assessment instrument to allow the facility flexibility in choosing an instrument which evaluates a broad spectrum of mental health and substance abuse issues to determine necessary levels of treatment and placement.