

## A Framework for Aligning Financial Investments (i.e. Contracted Programs and Services) to Outcomes

Level of DCF involvement	Relevant Programs/Services	System Effects of Services in Class/ Fiscal Implications	Performance Measures
0. No DCF	<i>Prevention Programs</i> *	<u>Prevention Effects</u> Reduce # of clients needing DCF services	No Maltreatment No Juvenile Delinquency No MH Needs
1. In-home DCF	<i>Early Intervention Programs</i> <i>Secondary Prevention Programs</i> <i>In-home Intervention Programs</i> *	<u>Volume Effects</u> Reduce time needing DCF Services Prevent need for OOH services	Reduce repeat maltreatment Reduce recidivism Improve child & family functioning Reduce entry into FC rates Increase educational progress
2. OOH DCF	<i>OOH Intervention Programs</i> *	<u>Duration Effects</u> Reduce length of stay	Increase permanency rates (speed and likelihood) reunification rates time to adoption & guardianship Reduce non-permanent exits Increase placement stability Improve child health/developmental health Increase educational progress
		<u>Unit Cost Effects</u> Reduce cost of OOH	Reduce reliance on group care Increase use of family care; kinship care
<p><b><u>Improve Quality of Service Delivery</u></b> Better Family Engagement Increased Family Satisfaction</p>			

\* some programs are intended to address concerns at multiple levels. For example, a program designed to address substance abuse may targeted to intact families (to prevent harm & entry into care) and to families with children in placement