

Return of Children

The Child Protection Worker must, when ordered by the court, return children or youth in the care of the Director of Child and Family Services to their parent(s) or guardian(s).

REFERENCE

NWT Child and Family Services Act Sections 12(1)(2), 12.7, 13(3), 28(4), 35(3) 29.6(1)(a)(b)

PURPOSE

- To return children and youth, according to court order, in a safe, timely manner.

PROCEDURES

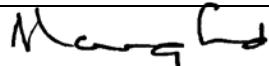
1. Consult with legal counsel following the decision of the Court to return the child or youth, under a child protection order to his or her parent(s) and/or guardian(s).
2. Prepare to return the child or youth immediately to the parent(s) or guardians(s) who had actual care of the child or youth at the time of the original protection concern.
3. Develop a return plan in consultation with the Supervisor and with the parent(s) and/or guardian(s) and child over 12 years of age to adequately protect the child when returning home.
4. Consider how the family's circumstances and whether the child protection concerns have been mitigated.
5. Complete a *Closing Summary form* outlining the child, youth and family's progress.

FORMS

- Closing Summary

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TOOLS

- None

COURT DOCUMENTS

- None

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