

The Number and Percentage of Children Receiving Timely Health and Mental Health Examinations After Entry Into Foster Care

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Sec. 511. The department shall provide reports on a semiannual basis to the senate and house appropriations subcommittees on the department budget, the senate and house standing committees on families and human services, and the senate and house fiscal agencies and policy offices on the number and percentage of children who received timely physical and mental health examinations after entry into foster care. The goal of the program is that at least 85% of children shall have an initial medical and mental health examination within 30 days after entry into foster care.



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Data for this semi-annual report is gathered from February 1, 2020 through July 31, 2020. During this time, the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services had a compliance rate of 65 percent for timely completion of the 1,279 simultaneous medical and mental health exams completed within 30 days of the child's placement into foster care. Timeliness of these exams was impacted by executive orders issued by Governor Whitmer to address the spread of COVID-19.