

## Report to Parents

Child's Name:

Foster Parent:

Date:

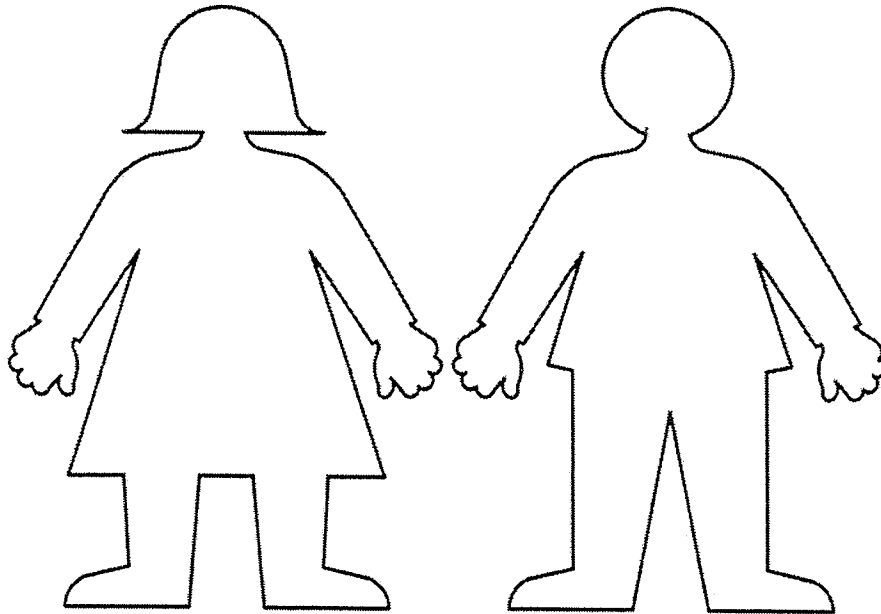
Prior to visit your child was:

- Bathed
- Put in fresh clothes
- Given a fresh diaper

*(Diagram illustrates any scratches, Bruises, Sores, Rashes or injuries on your child)*

*Front Side*

*Back Side*



Explanation of any injuries on child:

Medical Appointments:

Child's Feeding and Nutrition Information:

Child's Behavior and Emotional Adjustment:

How is your child doing in school?

**Parents**, please give us any further instruction regarding the care of your child:

## Foster Parent Training

1. Child welfare has changed
  - a. More and more birth parents are given deference regarding the children.
  - b. When birth parents complain it is less apt to be treated as a nuisance.
  - c. When birth parents complain the complaint goes to CPS for investigation.
  - d. When there is a CPS investigation there is usually a CCL investigation that follows.
2. In order to avoid these investigations we are going to be more vigilant regarding the care and appearance of the children.
3. Prior to the visit you must:
  - a. Prepare the care form. Submit copy to your social worker and a copy to the birth parent.
  - b. Note any minor scratches, bruises etc.
  - c. Bath the child.
  - d. Put child into fresh clothes.
    - i. Use new cloths or cloths birth parent has bought. Sunday Bests.
  - e. Do the child's hair.
  - f. Send child to visit with gifts, crafts and pictures for the birth parent.
4. Posture toward the birth parent.
  - a. Take the posture of an employee. Employed by the birth parent.
  - b. Forget that their children were removed from them.
  - c. They are now the most caring. Loving and vigilant parents that have ever existed.
  - d. They are going to assess every scratch and every hair.
  - e. They are looking for something to complain about.
5. Build a relationship with the birth parent.
  - a. Talk with the birth parent and ask them how you can best care for their child and meet their needs.
  - b. If they ask you for ANYTHING you do it.
    - i. Diapers
    - ii. Feeding
    - iii. Clothes
  - c. If they ask for anything that is completely unreasonable.
    - i. Tell them you will have to check with the SW.
    - ii. SW is always the bad guy.
    - iii. You are always the humble employed ally trying to serve their every need.
6. There are service aides now completing a lot of supervised visitation.
  - a. These aides are not trained or equipped to deal with problems.
  - b. IF there is a problem they are just bumping it over to the phone room.
  - c. You must be ready to meet these problems.
  - d. Tell your social worker what is happening and they will work on it.
7. Remember, the children you are caring for are not your own.
  - a. There is a higher level of vigilance that is required.
  - b. There is no room for being relaxed about their care.

Foster Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Foster Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_