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CIT Name	Foster Care Eligibility Determination (FCED) Organization Change Management (OCM) Readiness Activities Overview Session

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Description	<p>Purpose This CIT provides counties with upcoming dates for the Foster Care Eligibility Determination (FCED) Organizational Change Management (OCM) Readiness Activities Overview Session.</p> <p>Background The CWS-CMS system is being replaced by California Automated Response and Engagement System (CARES). With this change, the Federal Government also required the implementation of a single system for Foster Care (FC), KinGAP (KG) and Adoption Assistance (AAP). To achieve this a hybrid model was introduced where both systems, CARES and CalSAWS operate as one cohesive system known as Foster Care Eligibility Determination (FCED) interface.</p> <p>In preparation for the implementation of FCED, please join us for the FCED OCM Readiness Activities Overview Session. This session is intended for counties to gain a better understanding of the FCED implementation from an Organizational Change Management (OCM) perspective.</p>
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During this meeting, we will review the implementation timeline and key milestones and provide an overview of the OCM activities that will take place between now and go-live in October 2026. This includes planned communications, engagement activities, and resource materials to support readiness.

We will also reserve time at the end of the session for Q&A.

Please note: This meeting will be recorded. If you are unable to attend, you will be able to review the recording afterward.

Additional Information

Target Audience:

- PPOC
- County FCED Implementation Leads/PPOC
- Foster Care Program Eligibility Staff
- County FCED Implementation Team Members

Session Date: 5/12/26

Session Time: 9:00 – 10:00 AM


Meeting Link:



- The meeting invite will be shared with the PPOCs, to distribute to the appropriate county staff.

County Actions

1. Forward this CIT and meeting link to the appropriate staff for your county
2. Copy your Regional Manager(s) on any questions you might send to the Primary or Backup Project Contact. Copy your Regional Manager(s) on any questions you might send to the Primary or Backup Project Contact.

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