



Clark County Family Services

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Clark County Department of Family Services Policy and Procedures

SUBJECT:

Independent Living – Casey Life Skills Assessment

Effective Date	Amendment Number	Amendment Effective Date
May 1, 2025	NA	NA

SCOPE: Assessment of youth’s current knowledge, skills, and abilities for the development of youth’s Independent Living Transition Plan.

SPECIFIC LEGAL and OTHER REFERENCES:

NAC 432B

NRS 432B

PROGRAMS IMPACTED:

Adoption-Permanency

Independent Living

LifeSet

Permanency

SUMMARY OF CHANGES:

New

Supersedes:

- Independent Living Policy and Procedures (Effective: 08/12/2011)
 - Section 11510 Description of Ansell-Casey Life Skills Assessment
 - Section 11520 Selecting the Assessment Instruments
 - Section 11530 Ansell-Casey Life Skills Assessment

DEFINITIONS:

For a list of acronyms and a glossary of terms used throughout CCFS refer to Acronyms and Glossary located on DFSNet.

FORMS, PUBLICATIONS, AND INSTRUCTIONAL (FPI) DOCUMENTS:

Casey Life Skills Assessment (FPI Library)

Casey Life Skills Practitioner’s Guide (FPI Library)

Independent Living Transition Plan (in UNITY)

POLICY:

- I. Casey Life Skills Assessment Overview
 - A. CCFS assesses youth progress toward completing developmental tasks of adolescence and gaining critical skills for adulthood. Youth must gain these skills regardless of their permanency goal.
 - B. CCFS uses the *Casey Life Skills Assessment* to assess a youth’s knowledge, skills, and abilities. The results of the assessment are used to develop appropriate goals and activities in the youth’s Independent Living Transition Plan.
 - C. The *Casey Life Skills Assessment* is appropriate for all youth, ages fourteen (14) to eighteen (18). The following life skill areas are assessed:
 1. Daily Living Skills
 2. Self-Care Skills

3. Relationship and Communication
 4. Housing, Money Management, and Transportation
 5. Work and Study Life
 6. Career and Education Planning
 7. Civic Engagement
- D. CCFS may also use the following *Casey Life Skills Assessment* assessments designed for specific populations and circumstances:
1. American Indian Native Alaskan
 2. Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Questioning Youth
 3. Parenting Infants
 4. Parenting Young Children
 5. Support Systems
 6. Youth Assessment Level I (developmentally functional elementary ages)
 7. Youth Assessment Level II (developmentally functional middle school ages)
- E. The *Casey Life Skills Assessment* may be administered in paper or internet-based format.
- F. CCFS assists each youth in completing a self-assessment that identifies the youth's personal goals and desires and uses the youth's strengths, including community connections, to achieve a successful transition to adulthood.

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