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Title

Rules and Forms | Juvenile Law: Information, Documents, and Services for Youth 16 and Older (Action Required)

Summary

The Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee recommends amending three California Rules of Court, adopting three forms, and revising one form to conform to the mandate of Assembly Bill 718 (Eggman; Stats. 2019, ch. 438) that child welfare agencies begin the process of providing key information, documents, and services to youth in foster care beginning at age 16, rather than at the end of juvenile court jurisdiction.

Recommendation

The Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee recommends that the Judicial Council, effective January 1, 2021:

- 1. Amend rule 5.502 of the California Rules of Court to define the term "youth" as a person who is at least 14 years of age and not yet 21 years of age.
- 2. Amend rule 5.740 to add a requirement that the social worker provide the youth with the documents required by Welfare and Institutions Code section 391 and to identify the form (discussed below) that must be used to specify the information, documents, and services that were provided to the youth.
- 3. Amend rule 5.810 to add a requirement that the probation officer provide the youth with the documents required by section 391 and to identify the form (discussed below) that must be used to record the information, documents, and services that were provided to the youth.
- 4. Adopt First Review Hearing After Youth Turns 16 Years of Age--Information, Documents, and Services (form JV-361) as a mandatory form for the social worker or probation officer to complete to specify which information, documents, and services have been provided to the youth at the first review hearing after the youth turns 16.
- 5. Adopt Review Hearing for Youth Approaching 18 Years of Age--Information, Documents, and Services (form JV-362) as a mandatory form for the social worker or probation officer to complete to specify which information, documents, and services have been provided to the youth at the last review hearing before the youth turns 18.
- 6. Adopt Review Hearing for Youth 18 Years of Age or Older--Information, Documents, and Services (form JV-363) as a mandatory form for the social worker or probation officer to complete to specify which information, documents, and services have been provided to the youth at each review hearing after the youth turns 18.
- 7. Revise *Termination of Juvenile Court Jurisdiction--Nonminor* (form JV-365) to add the new requirement in AB 718 that the nonminor be provided with written information notifying the nonminor of financial literacy programs or other available resources to help the nonminor obtain financial literacy skills, to clarify the new requirement that information be in writing notifying a nonminor who was formerly in foster care and is granted a preference for student assistant or internship programs with state agencies, and to remove the phrase "his or her" so that the form is gender neutral.