



What is my Child & Family Team?



You have the right to a Child and Family Team (CFT). The CFT is a group of people, including you, who come together to help make the best plans for your safety, well being, and future.

Who is part of my Child & Family Team?



You have the right to have both formal support (such as your social worker/probation officer or counselor, Tribe or Tribal Representative) and informal support people (such as family members, caregivers, advocates, or teachers) be a part of your Child & Family Team (CFT) and attend CFT meetings. You and your family have a voice (say) in deciding who should or shouldn't be included in your CFT.

When do Child & Family Team (CFT) meetings happen?



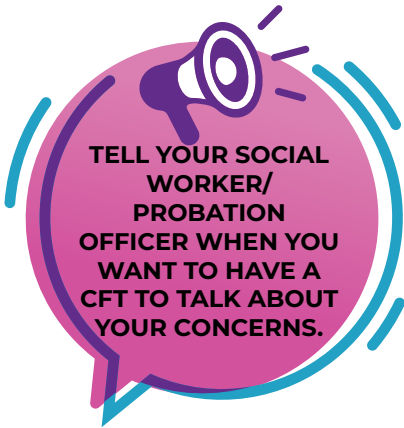
You have the right to have a CFT meeting:

- within 60 days of entering foster care;
- at least every six months;
- before creating or making any changes to your case plan;
- for decisions about where you will live, each time and before you move to any other place, and to help resolve conflicts in the home to allow you to continue living there;
- to talk about your needs and strengths and coordinate any services that might be helpful to you;
- to talk about family time with your siblings;
- when you are preparing to leave foster care;
- at least every 90 days if you are in an STRTP or in a therapeutic foster home; and
- at least every 90 days if you are getting certain types of services, such as intensive home-based services or intensive case coordination



Can I ask for a Child & Family Team meeting?

Yes. You have the right to request more CFT meetings to talk about your concerns, such as changes in where you live, changes in your service needs, and sibling or family visits.



What should I do at my CFT meetings?

It is important for you to say what you are feeling and what you need and want. You will be helping your team to make the best decisions about your life.



Write down what you want to discuss at your CFT meeting below.
