

Florida Child Welfare Case Manager Certification Practice Exam (Sample)

Study Guide



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Questions

- 1. The main purpose of the termination of parental rights advisory hearing is to:**
 - A. give advice to the parents about what they need to do to sign surrenders**
 - B. advise parent of the states intend to seek termination of parental rights**
 - C. ask the parent where they want the child placed**
 - D. return the child to the parents**
- 2. Which of the following is the correct order for intervention stages?**
 - A. Preparations, Introduction, Exploration, Case planning**
 - B. Case planning, Preparations, Introduction, Exploration**
 - C. Introduction, Exploration, Case planning, Preparations**
 - D. Exploration, Case planning, Preparations, Introduction**
- 3. Which of the following is a basic need according to Maslow's hierarchy?**
 - A. Physiological**
 - B. Social**
 - C. Self-Actualization**
 - D. Esteem**
- 4. What court system is used in dependency cases?**
 - A. Circuit court**
 - B. District court**
 - C. Supreme court**
 - D. Family court**
- 5. When is the Legal Sufficiency or Determination of Dependency staffing held?**
 - A. After the initial assessment**
 - B. After the shelter hearing and before arraignment**
 - C. Before permanency hearing**
 - D. After the permanency hearing**

- 6. Which of the following is the BEST example of counselor documentation?**
- A. Documenting the frequency and detailed descriptions of injuries**
 - B. Noting severe bruising without measurements or specifics**
 - C. Reporting observations without specificity or detail**
 - D. Brief mentions of injuries without descriptive or specific information**
- 7. If a foster child says his caregiver is hitting him, you must immediately:**
- A. Alert the local police department**
 - B. Call the Abuse Hotline to report the allegation**
 - C. Discuss the matter with the caregiver first**
 - D. Ignore the claim unless there is physical proof**
- 8. Which stage is NOT part of the change talk stages?**
- A. Problem recognition**
 - B. Concern**
 - C. Indifference**
 - D. Optimism**
- 9. Who are the essential visits conducted with in child welfare cases?**
- A. Children and teachers**
 - B. Parents and lawyers**
 - C. Children and parents**
 - D. Social workers and children**
- 10. Who is involved in the debrief after a missing child is found?**
- A. LEO, Parents or CG, Gal cls court**
 - B. EFC, PESS, Aftercare service providers**
 - C. Individuals undergoing quality assessments**
 - D. Persons providing infants' medical care**

Answers

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1. B
2. A
3. A
4. A
5. B
6. A
7. B
8. C
9. C
10. A

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Explanations

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1. The main purpose of the termination of parental rights advisory hearing is to:
- A. give advice to the parents about what they need to do to sign surrenders
 - B. advise parent of the states intend to seek termination of parental rights**
 - C. ask the parent where they want the child placed
 - D. return the child to the parents

The termination of parental rights advisory hearing is not for giving advice or asking the parent's preference on where the child should be placed. It is specifically for notifying the parent of the state's intention to seek termination of parental rights. The goal of this hearing is to inform the parent of their potential loss of parental rights and allow them to prepare a defense or plan for the child's future. Returning the child to the parents is not the main purpose of this hearing.

2. Which of the following is the correct order for intervention stages?
- A. Preparations, Introduction, Exploration, Case planning**
 - B. Case planning, Preparations, Introduction, Exploration
 - C. Introduction, Exploration, Case planning, Preparations
 - D. Exploration, Case planning, Preparations, Introduction

The correct order for intervention stages is preparations, introduction, exploration, case planning. This is because preparations should always be done before introducing the intervention to the individual or group. Introduction should then occur to familiarize the individual or group with the intervention before moving on to exploration to better understand the intervention and its goal. Finally, case planning should be done to outline the specific steps and timeline for the intervention. The other options are incorrect because they either have the stages in the wrong order or leave out important stages such as preparations or exploration.

3. Which of the following is a basic need according to Maslow's hierarchy?
- A. Physiological**
 - B. Social
 - C. Self-Actualization
 - D. Esteem

This question is referencing Maslow's hierarchy of needs, which is a theory that outlines the different levels of human needs. According to this theory, physiological needs such as food, water, shelter, and sleep are at the base of the hierarchy and must be met before any other needs can be fulfilled. Social needs, self-actualization, and esteem are all higher level needs and can only be achieved once the basic physiological needs are met. Therefore, option A, physiological, is the correct answer as it is a basic need according to Maslow's hierarchy. Options B, C, and D are all incorrect as they do not fall within the basic needs category.

4. What court system is used in dependency cases?

- A. Circuit court**
- B. District court**
- C. Supreme court**
- D. Family court**

Dependency cases involve situations where the state or government intervenes to protect the welfare of a child. Therefore, family court, which primarily deals with domestic relations and family matters, may seem like the most logical answer. However, dependency cases are typically handled in circuit court due to their complexity and serious nature. District court handles smaller civil and criminal cases, while supreme court is the highest court of appeals and does not directly deal with dependency cases. So, while all of the options may involve some form of court system, it is circuit court that is specifically designated to handle dependency cases.

5. When is the Legal Sufficiency or Determination of Dependency staffing held?

- A. After the initial assessment**
- B. After the shelter hearing and before arraignment**
- C. Before permanency hearing**
- D. After the permanency hearing**

The Legal Sufficiency or Determination of Dependency staffing is a meeting held by child welfare agencies to determine if there is enough evidence to establish legal dependency for a child. This meeting is usually held after the shelter hearing but before the arraignment hearing, as this is when the case is still being considered by the court and the child is still in temporary custody. Therefore, options A, C, and D are incorrect because they are all after the arraignment hearing, which means the child has already been placed in permanent custody.

6. Which of the following is the BEST example of counselor documentation?

- A. Documenting the frequency and detailed descriptions of injuries**
- B. Noting severe bruising without measurements or specifics**
- C. Reporting observations without specificity or detail**
- D. Brief mentions of injuries without descriptive or specific information**

Counselor documentation should be detailed and specific to paint a clear picture of the client's condition or situation. Option A is the best example since it includes both the frequency and detailed descriptions of injuries, providing a comprehensive overview. Option B only mentions severe bruising without providing any specific measurements or details, making it less helpful for understanding the scope or severity of the issue. Option C and D both lack specific information and details, making them less useful for accurately documenting the client's condition. Therefore, A is the best choice as it aligns with the key principles of thorough and descriptive counselor documentation.

7. If a foster child says his caregiver is hitting him, you must immediately:

- A. Alert the local police department**
- B. Call the Abuse Hotline to report the allegation**
- C. Discuss the matter with the caregiver first**
- D. Ignore the claim unless there is physical proof**

When a foster child makes an allegation of abuse, it is important to take action immediately to ensure their safety and well-being. Options A and D are incorrect because they require inaction or delay, which can potentially put the child at further risk. Option C is incorrect because discussing the matter with the caregiver first could potentially jeopardize the investigation and also put the child at risk for retaliation. Therefore, option B is the correct answer as it is the most appropriate and responsible course of action in this situation.

8. Which stage is NOT part of the change talk stages?

- A. Problem recognition**
- B. Concern**
- C. Indifference**
- D. Optimism**

The stages of change talk include precontemplation, contemplation, preparation, action, and maintenance. These stages are associated with an individual's motivation and readiness to change a behavior. The stage of indifference is not included in this framework because it suggests a lack of concern and motivation for change. In contrast, problem recognition, concern, and optimism all reflect varying levels of motivation and engagement in the change process. Therefore, the stage of indifference is not part of the change talk stages.

9. Who are the essential visits conducted with in child welfare cases?

- A. Children and teachers**
- B. Parents and lawyers**
- C. Children and parents**
- D. Social workers and children**

In child welfare cases, it is important for social workers to conduct visits with both children and parents in order to properly assess the family's needs and determine the best course of action. By visiting with both parties, social workers are able to gain a comprehensive understanding of the family dynamics and any potential issues that may be affecting the child's well-being. While teachers and lawyers may be involved in the case, they are not considered essential parties for conducting visits. Additionally, while social workers may meet with children individually, it is still important to include parents in the visitation process in order to address any concerns or questions they may have about their child's care. Therefore, the most accurate answer is C.

10. Who is involved in the debrief after a missing child is found?

- A. LEO, Parents or CG, Gal cls court**
- B. EFC, PESS, Aftercare service providers**
- C. Individuals undergoing quality assessments**
- D. Persons providing infants' medical care**

After a missing child is found, the debrief involves various parties that play a crucial role in the search and rescue operation. These include LEO (law enforcement officers), parents, and CG (coast guard). These three parties are directly involved in the event and have vital information and perspectives to share during the debrief. Option B, C, and D are incorrect as none of these parties are typically involved in the search and rescue of a missing child. Option B refers to emergency family caregivers, PESS (Permanency Effective Supervision System), and aftercare service providers, which are not directly involved in the search but may be involved in the child's care after being found. Option C, individuals undergoing quality assessments, are not relevant to the context of a missing child. Option D mentions persons providing infants' medical care, which again is not directly involved in a search and rescue operation