

RED Team

Review, Evaluate and Direct

RED Team is a decision-making process used by Child Welfare agencies to determine if a concern called in by a member of the community (a referral) meets the threshold that requires an assessment and if so, what response time the assigned caseworker should use. This is accomplished by answering the following three questions:

1. What is the alleged abuse and/or neglect in this referral?
2. Does the alleged abuse and/or neglect meet criteria for agency response?
3. What response time is warranted?

3-5 county staff members including a minimum of 1 supervisor attend a RED Team. Each person on the RED Team has a role:

1. The Facilitator
2. The Reader (who reads the referrals aloud for the group)
3. The Scribe (responsible for documenting the conversation in the Trails database).

RED Team utilizes the Consultation and Information Sharing Framework to organize thinking in two ways: what are the concerns and strengths for the family, and how concerning or helpful are those concerns or strengths. Please [click here to view the framework](#).

You're Invited!

County Family & Children Services RED Team Observation

Colorado County Human Services Directors would like to invite all Colorado State Legislators to observe the progressive work of RED Teams within their counties.

If you are interested in experiencing this work firsthand, please reach out to the CHSDA Coordinator, Emily Kiriakos: kiriakem@co.larimer.co.us

Or

Reach out directly to the Human Services Director(s) within your district. You may locate their contact information [here](#).

Thank you!

