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Report

TO: Members of the Judicial Council

FROM: Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee
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SUBJECT: Juvenile Law: Required Information for Child Attaining Age of
Majority (revise form JV-365) (Action Required)

Issue Statement

Effective January 1, 2009, the Legislature revised Welfare and Institutions Code section 391 to include new requirements regarding information, documents, and services that must be provided to a dependent child who has reached the age of majority before the termination of jurisdiction hearing. The proposed amendments to *Termination of Dependency Jurisdiction—Child Attaining Age of Majority* (form JV-365) ensure compliance with section 391.

Recommendation

The Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee recommends that the Judicial Council, effective January 1, 2010, revise form JV-365 to comply with current statutory mandates and to clarify some existing items on the form.

The proposed form is attached at pages 6–7.

The text of Welfare and Institutions Code section 391 is attached at pages 17–18.

Rationale for Recommendation

The Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee recommends revising *Termination of Dependency Jurisdiction—Child Attaining Age of Majority* (form JV-365) to bring it into compliance with revised Welfare and Institutions Code section 391(a)(2)(A) and (B), which became effective January 1, 2009. (Assem. Bill 2310 [Maze and Bass]; Stats. 2008, ch. 131.) Section (a)(2)(A) requires a county welfare department to submit a report verifying that certain information, documents, and services have been provided to the child before a termination of jurisdiction hearing for a dependent child who has reached

the age of majority. Section 391(a)(2)(A) now additionally requires that the county welfare department include any known information regarding the child's Indian heritage or tribal connections, if applicable, and any photographs of the child or the child's family in the possession of the county welfare department, other than forensic photographs. The committee recommends revising form JV-365, item 2, to track these new requirements. The committee further recommends adding check boxes to item 2 to separately delineate to the court each item that has been provided to the child.

New section 391(a)(2)(B)(v) requires that the county welfare department prepare a letter that includes the child's name and date of birth, the dates during which the child was within the jurisdiction of the juvenile court, and a statement that the child was a foster youth in compliance with state and federal financial aid documentation requirements. The committee recommends adding item 3g to form JV-365, to reflect this requirement.

The committee further recommends revising item 2g of form JV-365 to clarify the procedure for accessing the documents that the child is entitled to inspect under section 827. Section 391(a)(2)(A) requires the county welfare department to verify in its report that the child has been provided with "directions on how to access the documents the child is entitled to inspect under Section 827." Section 827 merely provides that the minor who is the subject of the proceeding may inspect the "case file" without delineating how to access the documents the child is entitled to inspect. Currently, form JV-365 reiterates the statutory language from section 391.

Additional detail about the child's rights regarding viewing and obtaining copies of his or her own file can be found in Welfare and Institutions Code section 826.6 and in rule 5.552(b) of the California Rules of Court. Section 826.6(b) provides that when the social worker is notifying the child of the termination of the case, the social worker must provide written notice of the rights delineated in 826.6(a), including the child's right to have the file sealed, destroyed or released to him or her. In addition, rule 5.552(b) includes "[t]he child who is the subject of the proceeding" on the list of individuals and entities who "may inspect, receive, and copy the juvenile case file without an order of the juvenile court."

To meaningfully capture these requirements on form JV-365, the committee proposes revising the language of item 2g to state that the social worker's report must verify that the child has received written information concerning his or her dependency case, including "[t]he child's right to go to the clerk's office and, after demonstrating his or her identity by showing an identification card or by other means, inspect, receive, and copy the child's juvenile case file without an order from the juvenile court (see Welfare and Institutions Code sections 826.6 and 827 and rule 5.552 of the California Rules of Court)."

Alternative Actions Considered

The proposed changes are necessary to bring this form into compliance with current law and to promote clarity and ease of use. No alternative actions were considered.

Comments From Interested Parties

The invitation to comment on the proposal was circulated from April 17, 2009, through June 17, 2009, to the standard mailing list for family and juvenile law proposals as well as to the regular rules and forms mailing list. This distribution list includes judges, court administrators, attorneys, social workers, probation officers, mediators, and other family and juvenile law professionals. A total of nine comments were received. No commentators disagreed with the proposal; four commentators agreed with the proposed changes; three commentators agreed with the proposal if modified; two commentators did not indicate agreement or disagreement.

Two commentators requested that form JV-365 include additional information about the procedure for the child to access his or her case file. One commentator requested that the form include a time frame for accessing the documents that the child is entitled to inspect under section 827 to ensure the child's speedy access to the documents. Another commentator, who agreed with the proposal, raised a similar concern, asking whether the child would be charged a fee to copy the documents. Welfare and Institutions Code section 391, upon which form JV-365 is based, does not specify a time frame or a fee structure for the child's access to his or her juvenile case file. Neither does current rule 5.552. Form JV-365 is not the appropriate place to insert these requirements. It is within the discretion of local courts to adopt a time frame in which the child must be provided access to his or her juvenile case file, as well as a policy about whether any copying fees will be charged or waived. The committee may revise rule 5.552 in a future cycle to add a timeline and fee requirements for children who want to inspect, receive, or copy their case file.

Another commentator, the County Welfare Directors Association of California (CWDA), agreed with the proposal if modified. CWDA submitted lengthy, substantive comments on several issues and included three attachments: (1) an All-County Letter from the California Department of Social Services addressing exit outcomes for youth aging out of foster care, (2) the "Exit Outcomes for Youth Aging Out of Foster Care, Quarterly Statistical Report" (SOC 405E form), and (3) a document listing proposed changes to form JV-365, indicating specific, substantive changes. CWDA's third attachment is included as an attachment to this proposal, on pages 19–21.

CWDA's comments raised three sets of issues, each with multiple, detailed components. First, CWDA suggested revising item 3 of form JV-365, which begins, "The child has been provided with the following documents." CWDA recommended deleting item 3f, "Health and education summary," and adding four items to item 3: (1) health and immunization records (health passport), (2) Medi-Cal card, (3) educational records

(education passport), and (4) a copy of the dismissal report (including the date of termination of dependency).

The purpose of this proposal is to track the legislative language in section 391; it is beyond its scope to add entirely new requirements to form JV-365. However, the committee agrees to revise item 3f so that it states, “Health and education summary, as described in Welfare and Institutions Code section 16010(a).” This language tracks Welfare and Institutions Code section 391(a)(2)(B)(iii) and addresses the first and third items on CWDA’s list of suggested additions to item 3, since section 16010(a) states that “The summary may be maintained in the form of a health and education passport, or a comparable format designed by the child protective agency.”

Regarding CWDA’s suggestion to add to item 3 “a copy of the dismissal report,” the equivalent information is already included in proposed form JV-365. As proposed, item 3g includes a check box for a letter prepared by the county welfare department that includes “the dates during which the child was within the jurisdiction of the juvenile court.”

Second, CWDA suggested adding a new item 4 to form JV-365, regarding advisements to the child, and including check boxes to indicate whether the youth has been advised of (1) extended (until 21st birthday) no-cost Medi-Cal benefits after dismissal, (2) right to and process for juvenile court case inspection after dismissal, (3) Selective Services registration, (4) food stamp eligibility, (5) CalWORKS eligibility, (6) General Relief eligibility, and (7) voter registration.

As a general matter, the suggested changes proposed by the commentator are beyond the scope of this proposal and require legislative action or development of a rule proposal and circulation for public comment before they can be considered for adoption. Specifically, the committee’s responses are as follows: To address extended Medi-Cal benefits, the committee agrees to clarify item 6a so that it states the child has received “Assistance with an application for Medi-Cal or other health insurance, including information about the availability of extended Medi-Cal benefits until age 21.” This ensures that the child receives assistance in reapplying for benefits in a timely way. Regarding the right to and process for juvenile court case inspection after dismissal, this concern is already addressed in proposed item 2g, in accordance with section 391, and it is unnecessary to add another, redundant check box in a new item 4. Selective Service and voter registration are not issues specific to foster youth, and advisements about them are not mandated by section 391. Finally, regarding eligibility for food stamps, the CalWORKS program, and General Relief benefits, form JV-365 already addresses these public benefits issues in item 6e, which includes a check box to indicate whether the child has received “Assistance in obtaining employment or other financial support.”

The third group of suggestions from CWDA is a request that form JV-365 incorporate information contained on the SOC 405E form “Exit Outcomes for Youth Aging Out of

Foster Care, Quarterly Statistical Report.” This form and an All-County Letter explaining how to use the form were attached to CWDA’s submitted comment. CWDA also included a document listing proposed changes to form JV-365, indicating specific, substantive changes, including more than two pages of changes drawn from the SOC 405E form (attached). Specifically, CWDA suggested deleting item 6 on form JV-365, about assistance the child has received, and replacing it with new items on education (13 questions), employment/financial support (13 questions), additional financial resources (13 questions), health care (3 questions), housing (2 questions, one with 20 answer choices), transitional services (4 questions), permanency connections (8 questions), other special needs (4 questions), and additional child-identifying information (4 questions). As indicated, each section includes multiple questions and components. Some proposed questions or components expand on an issue currently addressed in form JV-365 by requesting additional detail and information.

The SOC 405E form is a quarterly statistical report that is aimed at collecting statistical information on *cohorts* of youth who are aging out of foster care. It is not intended to be completed for each individual child. The purpose it serves—of gathering data on youth outcomes over time—is quite different from the purposes of form JV-365, which include providing a check-off sheet for the social worker to know that he or she has met the mandates of section 391, providing information to the child about his or her rights to receive services and information at this stage of the case along with the extent to which those requirements have been met, and providing a summary of this information to the court to allow the court to make an informed decision, as required by section 391(a)(3), about whether to terminate jurisdiction. While the information collected on form SOC 405E is both important and useful, it is beyond the purposes served by form JV-365. The changes proposed by the commentator are extremely detailed and go far beyond what is required by section 391. The committee does not recommend incorporating these changes.

The full text, or in some cases summaries, of the comments and the committee’s responses are attached at pages 8–16.

Implementation Requirements and Costs

Implementation of the revised form will incur standard reproduction costs.

Attachments

ATTORNEY OR PARTY WITHOUT ATTORNEY <i>(Name, State Bar number, and address):</i> TELEPHONE NO.: _____ FAX NO. <i>(Optional):</i> _____ E-MAIL ADDRESS <i>(Optional):</i> _____ ATTORNEY FOR <i>(Name):</i> _____	FOR COURT USE ONLY Draft 11 08/12/09 xyz Not approved by the Judicial Council
SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF STREET ADDRESS: MAILING ADDRESS: CITY AND ZIP CODE: BRANCH NAME:	
CHILD'S NAME: CHILD'S DATE OF BIRTH: HEARING DATE AND TIME: _____ DEPT.: _____	
TERMINATION OF DEPENDENCY JURISDICTION— CHILD ATTAINING AGE OF MAJORITY	CASE NUMBER: _____

Directions for the social worker: Check the appropriate boxes in items 1 through 6, complete item 7, attach documents as required, and sign and date item 8.

Directions for the child (if child is available): Review the boxes checked by the social worker in items 1 through 6. Sign your initials after each item if you received the service or information. Then sign and date item 9.

1. a. The child wants to attend the termination hearing.
- b. The child does not want to attend the termination hearing. The petitioner has attached verification that the child has been informed of the potential consequences of failure to attend the termination hearing.
- c. The child is unavailable and/or has refused to sign this form. Evidence of reasonable efforts to locate the child and to obtain the child's signature is attached.

2. An attached report verifies that the child has received written information concerning his or her dependency case, including *(check all that apply)*:
 - a. Information known about the child's Indian heritage or tribal connections, if applicable
 - b. The child's family history
 - c. The child's placement history
 - d. The child's educational and medical history
 - e. Any photographs of the child or the child's family in the possession of the county welfare department, other than forensic photographs
 - f. The whereabouts of any siblings under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court
 - g. The child's right to go to the clerk's office and, after demonstrating his or her identity by showing an identification card or by other means, inspect, receive, and copy the child's juvenile case file without an order from the juvenile court (see Welfare and Institutions Code sections 826.6 and 827 and rule 5.552 of the California Rules of Court)
 - h. The date on which the jurisdiction of the court will be terminated

CHILD'S NAME: 	CASE NUMBER:
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3. The child has been provided with the following documents (*check all that apply*):
- a. Certified birth certificate
 - b. Social security card
 - c. Identification card and/or driver's license
 - d. Proof of citizenship or residency status
 - e. Death certificate of parent or parents, if applicable
 - f. Health and education summary, as described in Welfare and Institutions Code section 16010(a)
 - g. Letter prepared by the county welfare department that includes the child's name and date of birth, the dates during which the child was within the jurisdiction of the juvenile court, and a statement that the child was a foster youth in compliance with state and federal financial aid documentation requirements

4. If the child continues to be eligible for services or accommodations under the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act, the Americans With Disabilities Act, or section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the child has been provided with his or her most recent service or accommodation plan.

5. The child has been receiving services as provided in the Individuals With Disabilities Education Act (34 C.F.R. §§ 300.320(b) and (c), 300.321(b)), and
- a. the child has received his or her transition service plan.
 - b. the child has been informed of the rights that will transfer to him or her under this act.

6. The child has received the following:
- a. Assistance with an application for Medi-Cal or other health insurance, including information about the availability of extended Medi-Cal benefits until age 21
 - b. Assistance with an application for college, a vocational training program, or another educational or employment program
 - c. Information on obtaining, or an application to obtain, financial assistance for educational and employment programs
 - d. A referral to transitional housing, if available, or assistance in securing other housing
 - e. Assistance in obtaining employment or other financial support
 - f. Assistance in maintaining relationships with individuals who are important to the child, consistent with the child's best interest (*required only if the child has been in out-of-home placement for six months or longer*)
 - g. Other services ordered by the court (*specify*):

7. Number of pages attached: _____

8. I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing and all attachments are true and correct.

Date: _____

(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)

(SIGNATURE OF SOCIAL WORKER)

9. I certify that I have received the information and services that I initialed above.

Date: _____

(TYPE OR PRINT NAME)

(CHILD'S SIGNATURE)

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	Commentator	Position	Comment	Committee Response
1.	County Welfare Directors Association (CWDA) Diana Boyer Senior Policy Analyst	AM	<p>*Commentator submitted lengthy substantive comments on several issues and included three attachments: (1) an All-County Letter from the California Department of Social Services addressing exit outcomes for youth aging out of foster care, (2) the “Exit Outcomes for Youth Aging Out of Foster Care, Quarterly Statistical Report” (SOC 405E form), and (3) a document listing proposed changes to form JV-365, indicating specific, substantive changes.</p> <p>Due to the length of the material submitted, the comment is paraphrased, as follows:</p> <p>1. We agree with the proposed changes which would add certain information to the form, and believe these new elements are consistent with law. The counties support efforts to ensure foster youth have the necessary tools and information to emancipate from the child welfare system. In addition, counties have worked diligently to collect more comprehensive outcome data concerning foster youth aging out</p>	<p>1. No response required. See comments on specific provisions below.</p>

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			<p>of foster care. Specifically, CWDA worked with the California Department of Social Services to develop and implement a new statewide form that collects quarterly data on youth at time of emancipation. This form was implemented July 2008 and is known as the SOC 405E “Exit Outcomes for Youth Aging Out of Foster Care, Quarterly Statistical Report.”</p> <p>In an effort to streamline reporting and inform courts of youth outcomes at emancipation, CWDA respectfully requests that form JV-365 be further amended to incorporate the information collected for the SOC 405E. By combining the information in one place, the counties and the courts can ensure that foster youth receive all information they need to emancipate, and that the outcomes around education, financial support, housing, health care, independent living, and permanency connections are all addressed prior to emancipation. By incorporating elements of the SOC 405E information into form JV-365, the courts will be</p>	

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			<p>better informed of the outcomes of the foster youth as they emancipate.</p> <p>We have proposed minor changes to the section of form JV-365 concerning documents provided to the child and have added a new section to ensure that youth are advised of certain information at emancipation.</p> <p>Specific suggestions to revise form JV-365 included the following (the marked-up form JV-365 submitted by CWDA is attached to the proposal):</p> <p>2. Revise section 3 of JV-365, regarding documents that must be provided to the child. Delete item 3f, “Health and education summary,” and add 4 items: (1) Health & immunization records (Health Passport), (2) Medi-Cal Card, (3) Educational records (Education Passport), and (4) A copy of the dismissal report (including date of termination of dependency).</p>	<p>2. The changes proposed by the commentator are beyond the scope of this proposal and require legislative action or development of a rule proposal and circulation for public comment before they can be considered for adoption. However, the committee agrees to revise item 3f so that it states, “Health and education summary, as described in Welfare and Institutions Code section 16010(a).” This language tracks Welfare and Institutions Code section 391(a)(2)(B)(iii) and addresses the first</p>

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			<p>3. Add a new section 4 to JV-365 about advisements to the youth, including check boxes indicating whether the youth has been advised of: (1) extended (until 21st birthday) no-cost Medi-Cal benefits after dismissal, (2) right to and process for juvenile court case inspection after dismissal, (3) Selective Service registration, (4) food stamp</p>	<p>and third items commentator suggests adding to section 3, since section 16010(a) states that “The summary may be maintained in the form of a health and education passport, or a comparable format designed by the child protective agency.”</p> <p>Regarding the commentator’s suggestion to add a copy of the dismissal report (including the date of termination of dependency), this information is already included in proposed form JV-365, item 3g, which requires that a letter prepared by the county welfare department be provided to the child, including “the dates during which the child was within the jurisdiction of the juvenile court.”</p> <p>3. Overall, the changes proposed by the commentator are beyond the scope of this proposal and would require legislative action or development of a rule proposal and circulation for public comment before they could be considered for adoption.</p> <p>However, to address extended Medi-Cal benefits, the committee agrees to revise</p>

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			<p>eligibility, (5) CalWORKS eligibility, (6) General Relief eligibility, and (7) voter registration.</p>	<p>item 6a, which already requires that the child be provided with assistance in completing a Medi-Cal application, so that it states that the child has received “Assistance with an application for Medi-Cal or other health insurance, including information about the availability of extended Medi-Cal benefits until age 21.” This ensures that the child receives assistance in reapplying for benefits in a timely way.</p> <p>Regarding the right to and process for juvenile court case inspection after dismissal, this concern is already addressed in proposed item 2g, in accordance with section 391.</p> <p>As for Selective Service and voter registration, these are not foster care issues specifically and are not legislatively mandated by 391.</p> <p>Finally, regarding food stamp, CalWORKS, and General Relief eligibility, form JV-365 already addresses these issues in item 6e, which includes a check box to indicate whether the child</p>

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			<p>4. Delete section 6 (regarding assistance and information that must be provided to the child) of form JV-365. Replace with detailed new sections on education (13 questions), employment/financial support (13 questions), additional financial resources (13 questions), health care (3 questions), housing (2 questions, one with 20 answer choices), transitional services (4 questions), permanency connections (8 questions), other special needs (4 questions), and additional child-identifying information (4 questions).</p>	<p>has received “Assistance in obtaining employment or other financial support.”</p> <p>4. The SOC 405E form, “Exit Outcomes for Youth Aging Out of Foster Care, Quarterly Statistical Report,” is a quarterly statistical report that serves to collect statistical information on <i>cohorts</i> of youth who are aging out of foster care in a given quarter. It is not intended to be completed for each individual child. The purpose it serves—of gathering data on youth outcomes over time—is quite different than the purposes of form JV-365, which include providing a check-off sheet for the social worker to know that he or she has met the mandates of section 391, providing information to the child about his or her rights to receive services and information at this stage of the case along with the extent to which those requirements have been met, and providing a summary of this information to the court to allow the court to make an informed decision, as required by section 391(a)(3), about whether to terminate jurisdiction. While the information collected on form SOC 405E is both</p>

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				important and useful, it is beyond the purposes of form JV-365. The purpose of this proposal is to incorporate into form JV-365 legislative amendments to section 391 regarding information, documents, and services that must be provided to a dependent child who has reached the age of majority. The changes proposed by the commentator are extremely detailed and go far beyond what is required by section 391. The committee does not recommend incorporating these changes.
2.	Kern County Department of Social Services Monique Hawkins Program Director	A	No narrative comments submitted.	No response required.
3.	Beverly Joan McCoy Volunteer, Court Appointed Special Advocate CASA of Fresno and Madera Counties	AM	Because of personnel shortages and case overload, requests for information in the file of a child in foster care from county welfare departments or the county clerk's office sometimes takes weeks or even months to be fulfilled. The committee's recommendation revising item 2g of form JV-365 to clarify the procedure for accessing the documents that the child is entitled to inspect under section 827 should include a time frame to ensure	Welfare and Institutions Code section 391, upon which form JV-365 is based, does not specify a time frame for the child's access to his or her juvenile case file. Neither does current rule 5.552. The Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee may consider this change in a future cycle. As of now, form JV-365 is not the appropriate place to insert a time frame requirement. It is within the discretion of local courts to decide to provide a time frame in which the child must have access to his or her juvenile case file.

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			<p>the child's speedy access to that document.</p> <p>Revision of the language in item 2g to state that "the child's right to go to the clerk's office, and, after demonstrating his or her identity by showing an identification card or by other means, inspect, receive and copy the child's juvenile case file without an order from the juvenile court" should also include a time frame to ensure the county clerk's office provides the child access to the child's juvenile case file in a timely manner.</p>	
4.	Orange County Bar Association Michael G. Yoder President	A	No narrative comments submitted.	No response required.
5.	San Diego County Probation Department Pamela Martinez, Drug Court Program Office	NI	This law is in regards to termination of jurisdiction of dependent children who have reached the age of majority.	No response required.
6.	Michael B. Stone Attorney at Law El Segundo	NI	<p>*Commentator expressed general concerns about the number of existing forms and the cumulative impact the proposed new forms will have. He stated that California has more forms than other states and the federal government.</p> <p>He also expressed a concern about the plain</p>	Form JV-365 is an existing form. The proposed amendments are necessary to ensure compliance with Welfare and Institutions Code section 391.

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7.	Superior Court of Los Angeles County	A	No narrative comments submitted.	No response required.
8.	Superior Court of Riverside County Staff	A	Will fees be charged for the copies that the minor requests since he is no longer represented by a court-appointed attorney?	Welfare and Institutions Code section 391, upon which form JV-365 is based, does not provide information regarding any copying costs or other fees associated with the child's access to his or her juvenile case file. Neither does current rule 5.552. The Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee may consider this change in a future cycle. Form JV-365 is not the appropriate place to add clerk's office requirements regarding fees and fee waivers. It is within local court discretion to determine whether to charge fees for copying a juvenile court case file.
9.	Superior Court of San Diego County Michael M. Roddy Executive Officer	AM	Form JV-365. Page 2, item 5—Typo: Insert close parenthesis before comma (“300.321(b)”).	The committee agrees that this is a typographical error and has made the correction.

Welfare and Institutions Code section 391

(a) At any hearing to terminate jurisdiction over a dependent child who has reached the age of majority, the county welfare department shall do all of the following:

(1) Ensure that the child is present in court, unless the child does not wish to appear in court, or document efforts by the county welfare department to locate the child when the child is not available.

(2) Submit a report verifying that the following information, documents, and services have been provided to the child:

(A) Written information concerning the child's dependency case, including any known information regarding the child's Indian heritage or tribal connections, if applicable, his or her family history and placement history, any photographs of the child or his or her family in the possession of the county welfare department, other than forensic photographs, the whereabouts of any siblings under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court, unless the court determines that sibling contact would jeopardize the safety or welfare of the sibling, directions on how to access the documents the child is entitled to inspect under Section 827, and the date on which the jurisdiction of the juvenile court would be terminated.

(B) The following documents:

(i) Social security card.

(ii) Certified birth certificate.

(iii) Health and education summary, as described in subdivision (a) of Section 16010.

(iv) Driver's license, as described in Section 12500 of the Vehicle Code, or identification card, as described in Section 13000 of the Vehicle Code.

(v) A letter prepared by the county welfare department that includes the following information:

(I) The child's name and date of birth.

(II) The dates during which the child was within the jurisdiction of the juvenile court.

(III) A statement that the child was a foster youth in compliance with state and federal financial aid documentation requirements.

(vi) If applicable, the death certificate of the parent or parents.

(vii) If applicable, proof of the child's citizenship or legal residence.

(C) Assistance in completing an application for Medi-Cal or assistance in obtaining other health insurance; referral to transitional housing, if available, or assistance in securing other housing; and assistance in obtaining employment or other financial support.

(D) Assistance in applying for admission to college or to a vocational training program or other educational institution and in obtaining financial aid, where appropriate.

(E) Assistance in maintaining relationships with individuals who are important to a child who has been in out-of-home placement in a group home for six months or longer from the date the child entered foster care, based on the child's best interests.

(3) The court may continue jurisdiction if it finds that the county welfare department has not met the requirements of paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) and that termination of jurisdiction would be harmful to the best interests of the child. If the court determines that continued jurisdiction is warranted pursuant to this section, the continuation shall only be ordered for that period of time necessary for the county welfare department to meet the requirements of paragraph (2) of subdivision (a). This section shall not be construed to limit the discretion of the juvenile court to continue jurisdiction for other reasons. The court may terminate jurisdiction if the county welfare department has offered the required services, and the child either has refused the services or, after reasonable efforts by the county welfare department, cannot be located.

(b) The Judicial Council shall develop and implement standards, and develop and adopt appropriate forms, necessary to implement this section.