

Nonminor Dependent (NMD) Proceedings<sup>1</sup>

Basic Title IV-E Findings to Ensure Compliance

**Nonminor Dependent Review Hearings**

E1. The NMD's continued placement is necessary. The NMD's current placement is appropriate.

E2. The agency has made ongoing and intensive efforts to finalize the permanent plan

E3. The extent of progress made by the NMD toward meeting the Transitional Independent Living case plan goals has been \_\_\_\_\_.

E5. The NMDs permanent plan selected below is appropriate and ordered:

- Return Home
- Adoption
- Tribal Customary Adoption
- Placement with a fit and willing relative
- Family Reunification services are continued
- There is a compelling reason to determine that it is not in the best interest of the NMD to return home, be placed for adoption, or tribal customary adoption, or be placed with a fit and willing relative. The court orders the NMD into another planned permanent living arrangement.

E6. The likely date by which it is anticipated the NMD will achieve independence is \_\_/\_\_/\_\_. (*Insert date of NMD's 21st birthday*).

E7. The Transitional Independent Living Case Plan includes appropriate and meaningful independent living skill services that will assist the youth transition from foster care to successful adulthood.

**Nonminor Dependent Reentry Hearing**

F1. Continuing in a foster care placement is in the nonminor's best interest.

F2. Placement and care are vested with the placing agency.

**Modification of Jurisdiction to dependency, delinquency, or transition**

G1. The minor was originally removed from the physical custody of his or her parents or legal guardians on (*specify date*): \_\_/\_\_/\_\_ and continues to be removed from their custody.

G2. The removal findings —“continuance in the home is contrary to the child's welfare” and “reasonable efforts were made to prevent removal”— made at that hearing remain in effect.

G3. The [ ] probation department [ ] social services agency is responsible for the nonminor's placement and care. .

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<sup>1</sup> Welf. & Inst. Code §§ 366.31, 388, 450

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