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| Health and Education Assessments 31419 |
| Outcome objective: Victorians are safe and secure  Output group: Child protection and family services  Output: Placement services |

# 1. Service Objective

To provide comprehensive health and education assessments of children and young people within three months of entering out-of-home residential care.

# 2. Description of the service

The health and education assessments are separate assessments that should be undertaken for all children entering out-of-home residential care. The health and education assessments aim to ensure that the health and education needs of children and young people in residential care are understood and plans are established to improve their health, wellbeing and educational attainment.

# 3. Client group

All children and young people aged 0–18 years in residential care and entering residential care.

# 4. Obligations specific to this activity

In addition to the obligations listed in the Service Agreement, organisations funded to deliver this activity must comply with the following:

## 4a. Registration and Accreditation

* Independent review and accreditation against the department’s Human Services Standards, unless exempted.

## 4b. Program requirements and other policy guidelines

N/A

# 5. Performance

Funding is subject to achieving the performance targets specified in Schedule 2 of the Service Agreement. Performance is measured as follows:

## Key performance measure 1: Percentage of clients who, within one month of entering residential care, have received a preliminary health check

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| Aim/objective | This performance measure provides information about the number of children and young people in residential care who have had a preliminary health check, and those receiving additional assessments and/or ongoing treatment services. |
| Target | The performance measure target is provided in the Service Agreement. |
| Type of count | Cumulative  Non-cumulative |
| Counting rule | For new clients: to be based on a count as at the last day of the month based on the day count of length of time since entering first residential care placement.  For clients already in care for more than one month: (as part of the commencement phase to ensure all children and young people already in care has a health assessment without delay) numbers and percent of clients in care as at 30 June 2012 who had received an preliminary health check by 30 July and then every month thereafter. |
| Data source(s) collection | Divisional collation and return of data |
| Definition of terms | All children and young people entering residential care. |

# 6. Data collection

The reporting requirements for this service are:

| Data collection name | Data system | Data set | Reporting cycle |
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| Percentage of clients who within one month of entering residential care have had a preliminary health check | Divisional collation and return of data |  | Monthly |
| Number of residential care clients referred for a comprehensive health assessment who have been assessed by a paediatrician within three months | Divisional collation and return of data |  | Quarterly |

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