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Attachments: Reasonable Efforts as Prevention Milner Kelly 2018.pdf
NCJFCJ_InSESSION_Fall-2018_Milner_Kelly_Judicial_Leadership.pdf
Mark Hardin email re barriers to effective judicial oversight of reasonable efforts.pdf
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The Children's Bureau (CB) is the federal agency charged with administering funding to states and tribes to operate child welfare systems, providing guidance, and monitoring outcomes. With the passage of the federal Family First Prevention and Services Act (FFPSA) there has been much discussion on primary prevention of child abuse. The FFPSA has a number of provisions that could be truly transformative for the foster care system in the U.S. One provision of the FFPSA will allow Oregon, and other states, to receive 50% federal match for mental health, substance abuse and in-home parent "skill-based" services that are designed to prevent a child's entry into foster care. The CB's top priority is to reshape child welfare in the United States to focus on proactively strengthening families through primary prevention of child abuse and entry into foster care. Attached to this email are two documents related to this priority written by the Jerry Milner the Acting Commissioner for the Administration on Children, Youth and Families that were published by the ABA and NCJFCJ. Also attached is an email from Mark Hardin, formerly with the ABA, but now retired and on Oregon's JCIP Advisory Committee. Together these three articles provide a variety of ideas about addressing reasonable efforts in dependency cases. Also attached is an informational memorandum from the CB about reshaping child welfare in the US.

You will be hearing more about these topics in the coming months.

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