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MICHIGAN TEAMING CONTINUUM

	TDM MEETINGS				OTHER TEAM MEETINGS
	INITIAL	PLACEMENT STABILITY	UNSUPERVISED VISITS	REUNIFICATION AND RETURN HOME	REGULAR FTM (MI FOM 722-06B)
Purpose: What are we trying to accomplish?	Make immediate safety decision regarding parent–child separation.	Prevent placement changes; ensure positive transition when move is necessary.	Ensure safe unsupervised parenting time plans are developed.	Ensure safe and stable reunification can occur via development of quality safety plans.	Case planning, including safety planning, services identification/adjustment, assessment of progress
What tells us we need to have this meeting?	Safety assessment reveals threats that compel consideration of parent–child separation.	Earliest threat of placement disruption or to consider positive move.	Worker, supervisor, or court determine that parent/primary caregiver is ready for unsupervised visits.	Worker, supervisor, or court determine that parent/primary caregiver is ready for reunification; SDM reunification assessment suggests reunification should be considered.	As defined by policy for each type; often calendar-defined.
When does this meeting occur?	<i>Prior to all</i> parent–child separation or emergency placement decisions regarding parent–child separation*, whether court involved or “voluntary.”**	<i>Prior</i> to any child’s move once they are in care* and <i>prior</i> to caregiver giving 30-day notice.	As soon as parental progress suggests safety threats are controlled; when progressive parenting time plan indicates readiness for unsupervised visits; when a judge orders unsupervised parenting time.	As soon as progress of parent/primary caregiver suggests reunification should be considered; when the SDM reunification assessment suggests reunification should be considered; when a judge orders return home.	Per policy: Case open/close, case plan development or reassessment, family request, goal review/change, youth transition/discharge. <i>Also</i> initial removal, placement preservation and reunification. (TDM meeting overlap—family team meeting [FTM] can be waived if TDM meeting held.)
Who needs to be there?	Parents/primary caregivers, older youth, primary worker and their supervisor, family’s chosen support people, external	Current caregiver, parents/primary caregivers, older youth, primary worker and their supervisor, family’s chosen support people, external partners—both formal and informal, Guardian Ad Litem.			Per policy: Parents, caregivers, youth, extended family, friends, service providers, community representatives.

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	partners—both formal and informal.				
Who facilitates this meeting?	Experienced, non case-carrying agency facilitator not involved with case.				Assigned worker
How are decisions made?	Full meeting team strives to reach consensus goal; if not possible, agency team members reach consensus; if not possible, worker/supervisor decide.				If specific decision is needed team decides, with worker making the decision if agreement is not reached.
What is the post-meeting follow-up plan?	Worker carries out recommendations with supervisor support. Facilitator completes summary report, enters data in a timely manner, facilitates any future TDM meetings for family.		Worker carries out recommendations with supervisor support. If applicable, worker schedules reunification TDM meeting when unsupervised visits confirm readiness for return home. Facilitator completes summary report including detailed safety plan, enters data in a timely manner, facilitates any future TDM meetings for family		Worker and supervisor responsible, including some data collection.

*Or next business day and prior to court hearing if child must move due to emergency.

**TDM model requirement for voluntary safety plan placements applies only to BSC 5 fidelity counties.