

Report CSCM7481 – AFCARS Missing Discharge Reasons

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Report Number: CSCM7481
Report Name: AFCARS Missing Discharge Reasons
Agency: DPHHS
Division Using Report: Child and Family Services
Report Sponsor: Lou Walters
Report Type: RDS Data Dump

Report Summary

The federal government has identified data concerns with the State of Montana AFCARS reporting; the percentage of children discharged from care with Missing Discharge Reasons is higher than desirable levels. Without change, the State of Montana could be financially penalized by the federal government. To counter this, an extract program was written to capture the required data from CAPS and write it to the Report Distribution System (RDS) in the form of a flat data file.

Report Purpose

The data extracted to RDS will be compiled by the State of Montana as an exception report to help identify workers usage of placement exit reasons that are not mapped in AFCARS reporting.

Please Note

None at this time.

DocuAnalyzer Model Available: No
Screens Used to Generate Report: CPHL, PLAD
Frequency: Monthly
Run Date: Last Business Day
Reporting Period: The span of one year prior to the run date

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Criteria for Extracting Data

- The most recent Foster Care placement must be closed
- The placement exit reason does not map to AFCARS. In Share Center open [FOSTELEM](#) to view the list of exit reasons that are currently mapped to element 58.

Report Data Fields

Field Name	Field Length	Notes
WORKER REGION	1	
WORKER COUNTY	3	
COUNTY DESCRIPTION	28	
CLIENT CAPS ID	8	
CLIENT LAST NAME	20	
CLIENT FIRST NAME	12	
CLIENT MIDDLE NAME	12	
CLIENT NAME SUFFIX	4	
WORKER USER ID	8	
WORKER LAST NAME	20	
WORKER FIRST NAME	12	
SUPERVISOR USER ID	8	
SUPERVISOR LAST NAME	20	
SUPERVISOR FIRST NAME	12	
PLACEMENT EXIT REASON	3	
PLACEMENT START DATE	10	
PLACEMENT END DATE	10	

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RDS Report Layout –

Raw data dump