

Appendix B

Detailed Status Report of Recommendations Since 2012

Chapter Name	Department/ Agency	Year	Volume	Chapter	Par.	Recommendation	Self Reported Status
Foster Homes	Social Development	2013	2	2	57	We recommend the Department of Social Development establish standards for contracting with foster families.	Not Implemented
Foster Homes	Social Development	2013	2	2	58	We recommend the Department of Social Development amend its standards to provide comprehensive and consistent direction for approving and monitoring provisional (foster) homes.	Implemented
Foster Homes	Social Development	2013	2	2	72	We recommend the Department of Social Development comply with its documented foster home standards for providing a safe and secure environment for children who have to be separated from their families.	Implemented
Foster Homes	Social Development	2013	2	2	86	We recommend the Department of Social Development implement regular monitoring procedures for both regional and central office to ensure compliance with its standards. The procedures could include, but not necessarily be limited to, the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a periodic review of a sample of files to determine compliance with standards; and • a regular review of “expired approval dates” recorded in the electronic information system, with follow-up to ensure the foster family’s annual review is completed on time. 	Implemented
Foster Homes	Social Development	2013	2	2	107	We recommend the Department of Social Development develop a long-term strategy to ensure sufficient appropriate foster homes are available to meet regional needs and to help meet, “The Children’s Residential Services program primary goal ... to ensure consistent, high quality residential services to children who are in the temporary or permanent care of the Minister.”	Implemented

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Foster Homes	Social Development	2013	2	2	122	We recommend the Department of Social Development review all rates and funding relating to foster homes and propose changes to Government as appropriate to eliminate any disincentive to current or prospective foster parents. This should be completed within twelve months of the release of our report.	Implemented
Foster Homes	Social Development	2013	2	2	123	We recommend the Department of Social Development review rates and funding relating to foster homes on a regular and ongoing basis.	Implemented
Foster Homes	Social Development	2013	2	2	124	We recommend the Department of Social Development take steps to increase the awareness of costs available for reimbursement to foster families.	Not Implemented
Foster Homes	Social Development	2013	2	2	125	We recommend the Department of Social Development be consistent in the amounts reimbursed to foster families.	Implemented
Foster Homes	Social Development	2013	2	2	129	We recommend the Department of Social Development reconcile its foster family information (statistics, data, names) with each of the regions on a regular basis to ensure information used by central office for program planning is complete and accurate.	Implemented
Foster Homes	Social Development	2013	2	2	134	We recommend the Department of Social Development publicly report on the effectiveness of its Children's Residential Services program. Such performance information should be included in the Department's annual report and on its website.	Implemented