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OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

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### **Purpose:**

This issuance establishes the policy and procedures on how CP&P responds to CPS reports and CWS referrals when one or more of the family members are blind or visually impaired.

### **Policy:**

#### **A) Determining Best Approach to Providing Information to the Blind or Visually Impaired.**

CP&P must communicate with Visually Impaired Families and discuss how information can be provided to them in a thoughtful and meaningful manner.

### **Procedures:**

#### **Methods of Sharing Information with Blind or Visually Impaired Families**

CP&P may use a variety of means to present information to the family:

- Reading written materials to the client (e.g., [CPP-X-A-1-18.32](#) , Parents' Handbook, [CPP-X-A-1-18.33](#) ,A Guide for Parents: When You Child is in Foster Care, or an independent living agreement, in the presence of a client-designated witness who can verify to the family the accuracy of what is being read;
- Taping the written material and providing the client with a taped version of the document;
- Enlarging CP&P printed material on the copy machine for the client; or
- Enlarging printed materials by using a different font.