Examples of Red Flags Signaling Potential Gaps in Health Care-Child Welfare Systems Collaboration

- 1. The child stays unwell, declines, receives non-standard treatments, or has gaps in health care
- 2. "No one knows what's going on."
- 3. The child has remorse for actions and doesn't improve over time
- 4. Persistently poor grades or delays over time
- 5. Placement breakdowns/disruptions
- 6. The child runs away
- 7. Court orders health care without health professional consultation
- 8. Requests for unconventional or uncovered procedures/treatment
- 9. "No one can handle this child."
- 10. Prolonged hospitalizations with placement disruption

Health Care Supports

- Primary care
- Mental health specialists
- Early childhood specialists
- Medical specialists
- Medications/equipment
- Health coverage/insurance
- Health plan case managers
- Health plan service coordinators
- Advocates



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