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**Delaware Children's Department**  
**Jennifer B. Ranji, Cabinet Secretary**

# Division of Management Support Services (DMSS)

Highlights:

- o Education Opportunities for Youth in Care
- o MIS Unit and FACTS II



# MIS Unit

FACTS II Funding Request

DTI Consolidation



# Division of Prevention & Behavioral Health Services

## Highlights:

- o Behavioral Health Consultants
- o Summer and After School Programming



# Division of Youth Rehabilitative Services (YRS)

## Highlights:

- o YAP – Youth Aftercare Re-entry Program
- o Program re-structuring and improvements



# Division of Family Services (DFS)

## Highlights:

- o Continued Systems Reforms

- o Improving Practice
- o Differential Response

- o Federal Performance Measures and Review

- o Continued Funding for *Ready by 21*



# Office of Early Learning

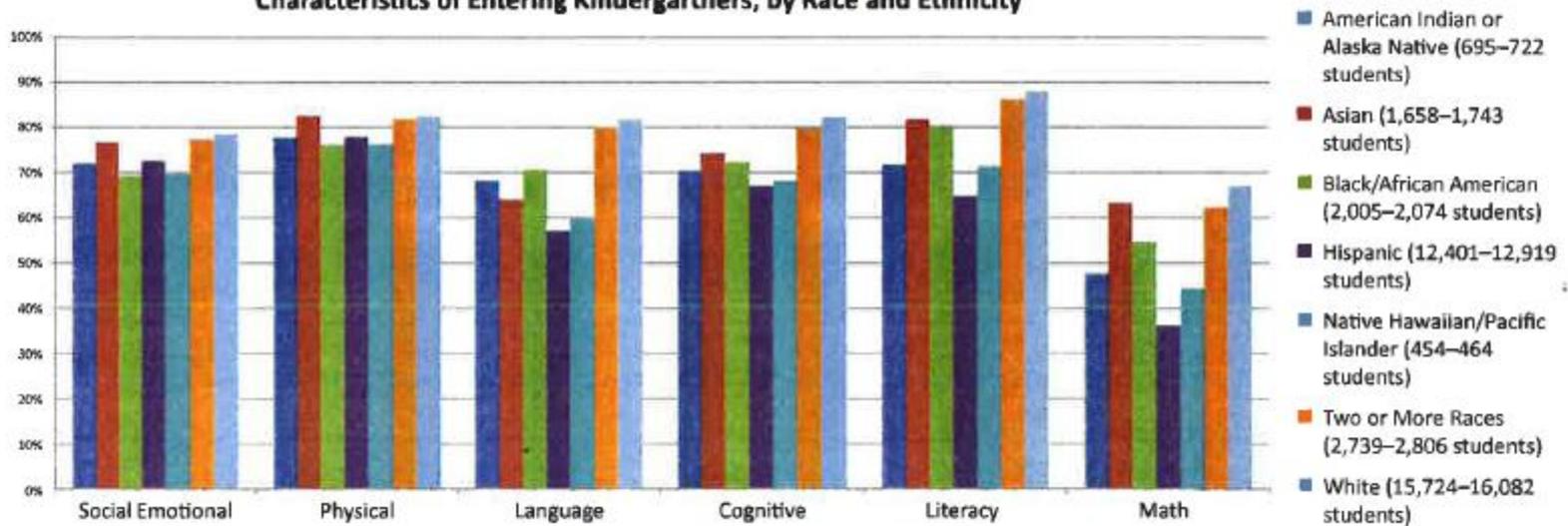


- o **ELC Key Performance Measures:**
  - o Exceeded target for the number of programs in Delaware Stars
  - o Increased children with high needs in Stars top tiers
  - o CORE Awards
  
- o **Governance:**
  - o OEL and DOE's ELDR workgroup now report to DSCYF
  
- o **Next Steps:**
  - o Apply for 6 month extension
  - o Focus groups in Spring

# Office of Early Learning

**The opportunity gap is evident in the first few weeks of kindergarten.**

Percentages of Students Who Demonstrate Characteristics of Entering Kindergartners, by Race and Ethnicity



**WaKIDS** | Washington Kindergarten Inventory of Developing Skills

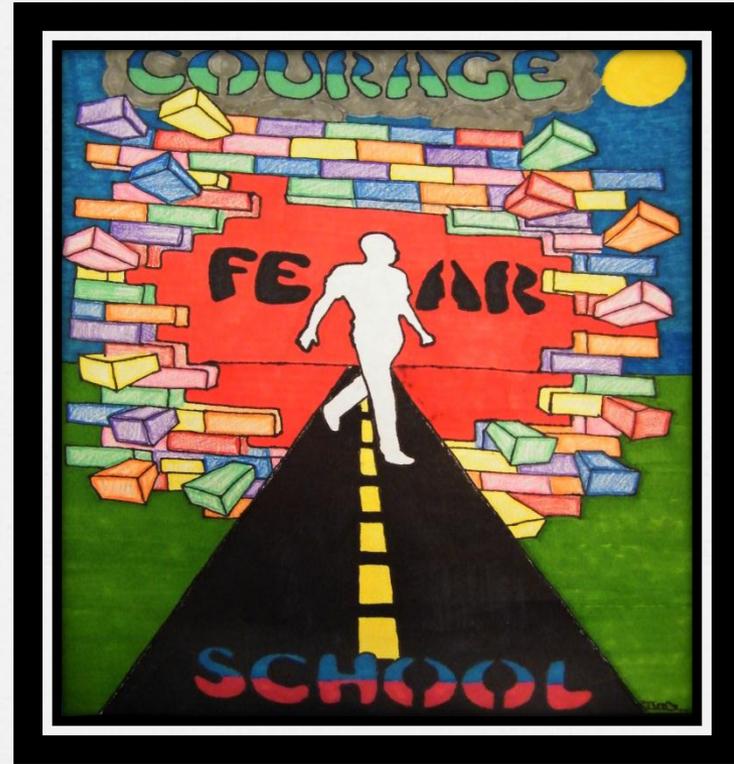
- Fall 2015 Full implementation of kindergarten assessment

# Task Forces

- o Executive Order 42 - Delaware Background Check Task Force
- o Executive Order 45 – Youth Reentry Education Task Force



# QUESTIONS?



Student Art Work From Youth Rehabilitative Services



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# Division of Management and Support Services

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Division Director

# DMSS Mission

“To Support Those Helping Children and Families”

- o Human Resources/Training
- o Facilities
- o Telecom/MIS
- o Fiscal Services
- o Cost Recovery
- o Education



# Key Educational Accomplishments

- o Partnering With James H. Groves Adult Ed
- o Additional Transition Specialist for Return To School/Work, Teacher Professional Development
- o Improvements In SAT Readiness And Achievement
- o Adding More SMARTboards And Enhanced Tech
- o Increase in BASI Scores Unit Wide



# FY2016 Budget Request



## FACTS II Ongoing Support

- o \$1.8m for Ongoing Support For FACTS II
  - o Software Licensing & Infrastructure Supports
  - o Reporting Capabilities
  - o Contracted Resources

Questions?





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# Division of Prevention and Behavioral Health Services

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**Division Director**

*Resilient Children and Families  
Living in Supportive Communities*

# SAMHSA Grants

- o Project CORE
- o Project SAFETY
- o Project LAUNCH
- o System of Care Expansion Grant



# Prevention and Early Intervention Services

- o After-School/Summer Prevention Programs  
21 Locations statewide
- o Extended Hours Prevention Program  
10 Locations in Wilmington
- o Early Childhood Mental Health Consultants  
Currently 10 Consultants–Children 2-5 years of age
- o Family Crisis Therapists (FCTs)  
53 Elementary Schools statewide
- o Behavioral Health Consultants (BHCs)  
31 Middle Schools statewide

# Treatment Services

- o Numbers served – FY '14 – 5,535
- o Residential Treatment Services
- o Medicaid Requirements:
  - Reimbursement Rate Structure
  - Revise Medicaid State Plan



# Substance Use Prevention and Treatment Services

- o Substance Use Prevention Services

- o Substance Use Treatment Services

Detox – Three centers – Each averages approx. 1-2/mo.

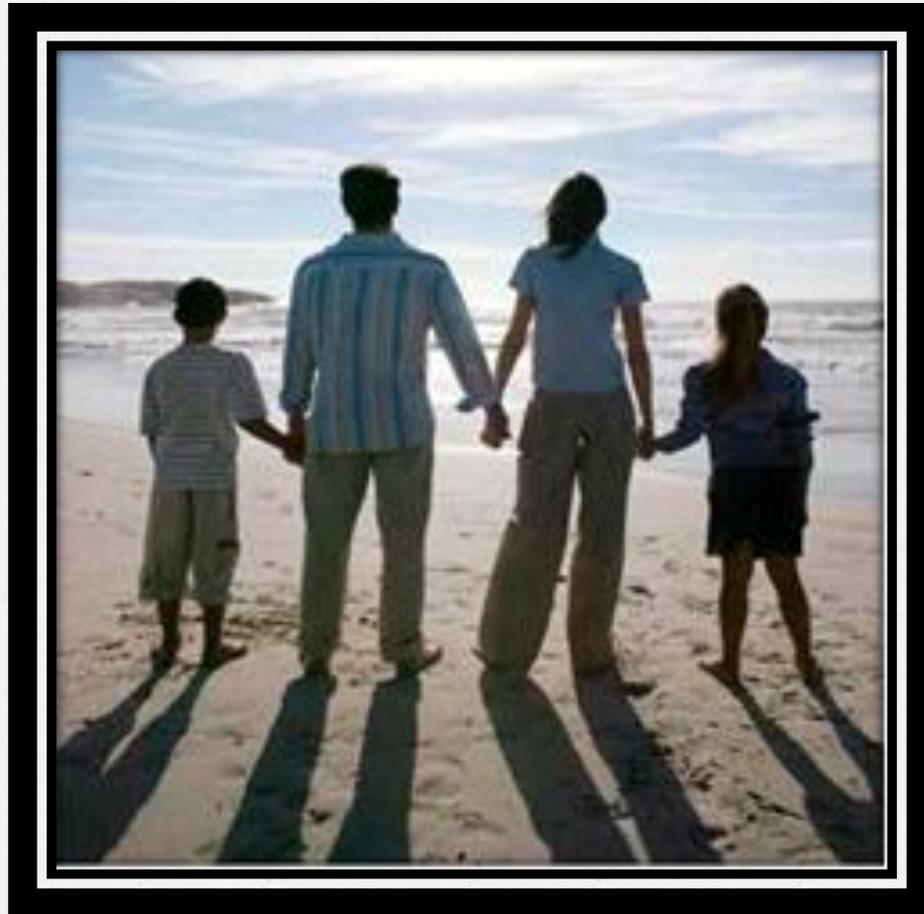
Community-Based Services:

- Kent County – 111 Youth Served

- New Castle – 407 Youth Served

- Sussex County – 156 Youth Served

# *Questions?*





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# Division Of Youth Rehabilitative Services

**Nancy Dietz**  
Division Director

# Our Mission



*“To support public safety and positive change of children, families, and communities through guidance, education and empowerment.”*

# Program Assessment

o In partnership with:

- The Center for Juvenile Justice Reform at Georgetown University
- The *Peabody* Research Institute at Vanderbilt University
- The Justice Policy Center at the Urban Institute





## Civil Citation

- o Civil Citation - Three year pilot with CJC funding to divert youth from entering the justice system.
- o 565 cases impacted in 2013.

# Enhanced Re-entry Services



- o YAP – Youth Advocate Programs
  - o Community-based advocate
  - o Family focused
  - o Educational & vocational supports

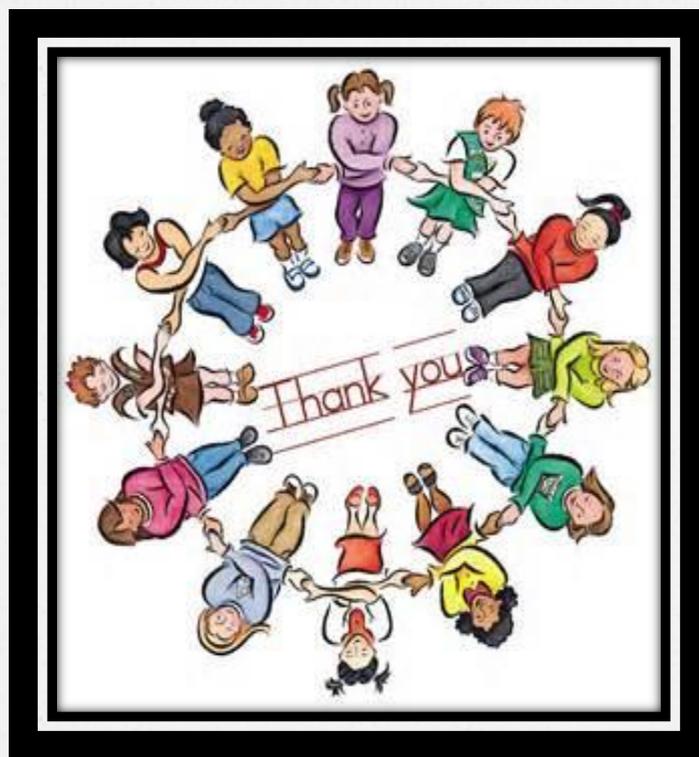
# Ferris School/Mowlds Cottage Restructuring

- o Move transition programming into Ferris School, creating a transition unit, with Level IV privileges
- o Maximize in-state residential capacity.
- o Mowlds Cottage will serve as a short-term Level IV placement for youth who require an aftercare sanction or are committed by the Courts.
  - o 15-18 yr old males
  - o Prior YRS placement/Aftercare Supervision
  - o 1<sup>st</sup> time residential placement for older youth

# Performance-based Standards - PbS

- Level V programs began in October 2014
- Level IV programs participate in Community-based Standards
- Measures
  - Safety, Order, Security, Health/Mental Health, Programming, Justice, Reintegration (Ferris only)
- Surveys and Reports
- Improvement Process

THANK YOU!





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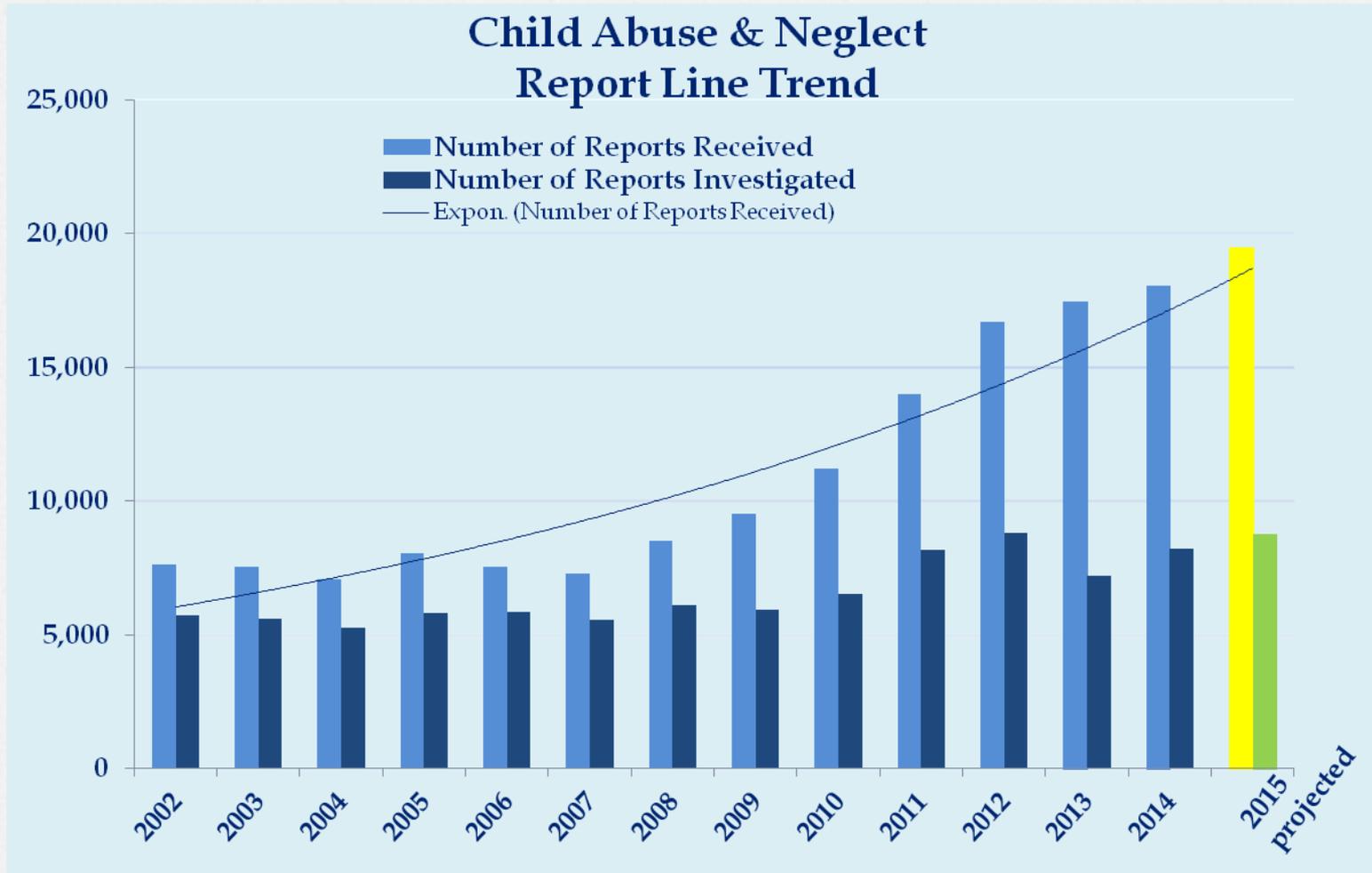
# Division of Family Services

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# DFS Highlights

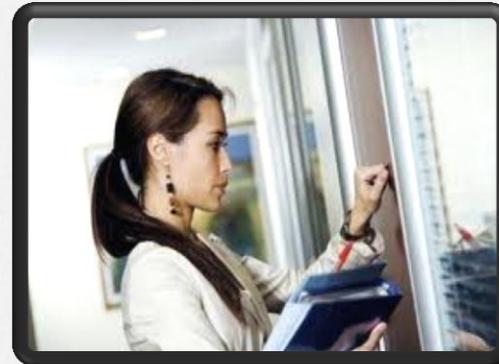
- o ***Outcomes Matter Initiative***: Structured Decision Making® and Safety Organized Practice- *Fully Implemented*
- o Differential Response System- *Safely serving teens and their families in the community*
- o Federal Performance Measures - *Excellent Outcomes for DE*

# Challenges on the Front End



# Improving Critical Decisions

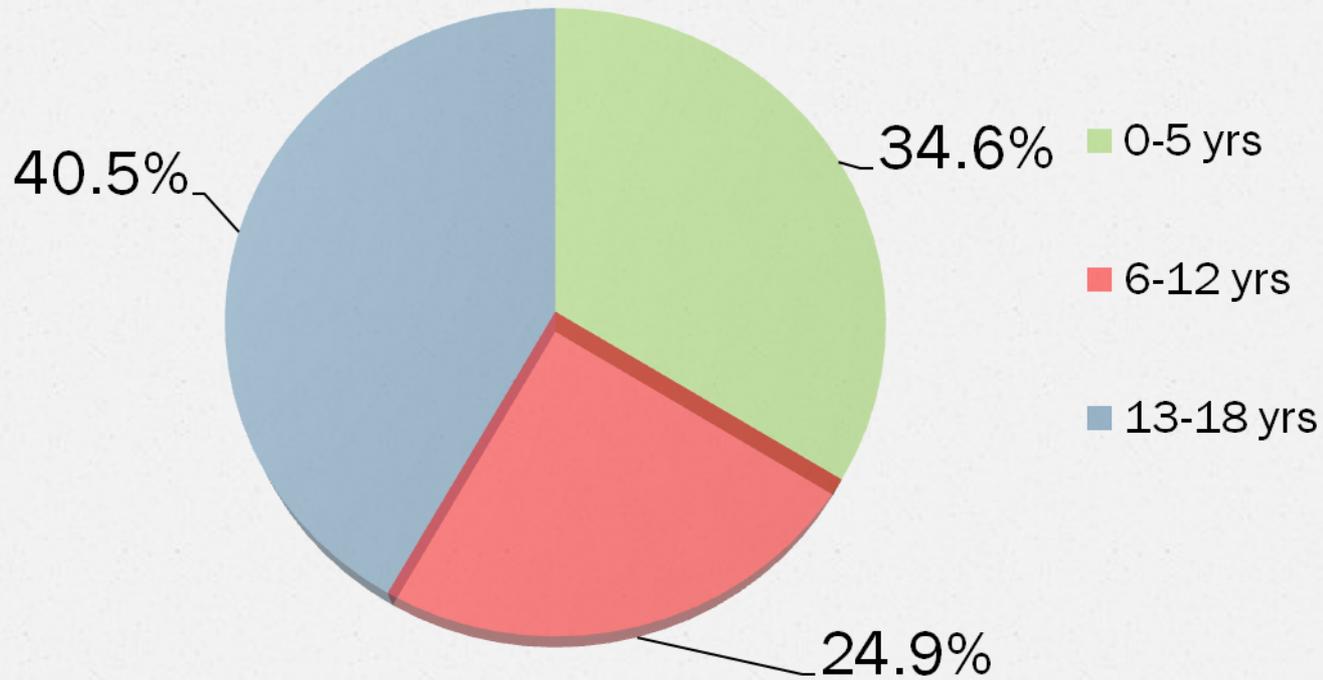
## Assessing Safety to Guide Action





# Foster Care

Percentage of Children in Care by Age, January 1, 2015



# FY16 Door Opener

- o Ready by 21 Program
  - o Request for \$1,030.0 to fully fund Stipends

Thank you!

