Family Connections Oregon (FCO) is a demonstration project funded by the Children’s Bureau in which a co-located FCO Coordinator provides a package of services (intensive family finding and engagement, family group conferencing, and follow-up) within the first 60 days of a child’s out-of-home placement.

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How does FCO benefit DHS and families?
- Extra person provides family finding and family group conferencing services (can meet CSM and/or OFDM requirements).
- Support to and collaboration with caseworkers.
- A family-focused service that results in a pre-jurisdiction Action Plan.
- An opportunity to provide evidence of better outcomes for children and families that could result in a permanent funding stream.

Who is eligible for Family Connections Oregon?
- Families with a child placed out-of-home within the past week (NOTE: Multnomah County requires that families self-identify as African American); and
- At least one child is likely to stay in care for at least 60 days.

We need your help!
Your FCO Coordinator may come to you for help to make this demonstration program a success:
- **If you have a family randomly selected for FCO services,** your local FCO Coordinator will work closely with you to assess the strengths and needs of the family.
- **If you have a family that was not randomly selected for FCO services,** your local FCO Coordinator needs your help to invite the family to share their contact information with Portland State University in order to participate in evaluation efforts.

Please visit our Web site for more information: [http://www.pdx.edu/ccf/fco](http://www.pdx.edu/ccf/fco)

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