

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA • COUNTY OF FRESNO

**Family Dependency Treatment Court
Acknowledgements and Agreements
(DSS)**

Minor's Name: _____

Case Number(s): _____

1. The Department of Social Services (DSS) and the Office of the County Counsel are aware of the policies and practices of the Family Dependency Treatment Court (FDTC).
2. DSS understands that one or more parents who are parties in this case are eligible to participate or are participating in FDTC.
3. DSS understands that all parents who are parties may not be present or represented at individual FDTC staffing meetings or individual FDTC review hearings.
4. DSS understands that during each FDTC staffing meeting and FDTC review hearing, the judge may receive information about the child or children, and will receive information about one or more parents, and a parent's participation and progress in court-ordered treatment programs.
5. DSS understands that during a parent's FDTC review hearings, the judge may deliver to that parent encouragement and incentive items to assist and motivate that parent in completing his or her case plan.
6. DSS understands that no court orders will be made or changed at FDTC staffing meetings or FDTC review hearings.
7. DSS understands that the FDTC judge will not discuss what occurs at FDTC staffing meetings and FDTC review hearings with any judge handling a non-FDTC legal hearing in the case.
8. DSS understands and agrees that FDTC staffing meetings and FDTC review hearings will not be recorded by a court reporter and no transcripts of these meetings and hearings will be prepared.
9. DSS understands that the other FDTC participants who are not parties to the case may be present during FDTC reviews.
10. DSS understands that these agreements can be revoked at any time.

DATED: _____

By: _____

Social Worker
Department of Social Services