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children's educational outcomes in various jurisdictions have good models

A: Children's educational outcomes are reviewed, systematically at each stage of a child's care; at each placement change; and whenever a placement change occurs. A number of states, including New York, Oregon, and Pennsylvania, have rules or statutes that require courts to conduct inquiries, findings, and orders regarding educational outcomes.

For example, Judicial Rule 2011 require juvenile courts to review and issue appropriate orders regarding educational outcomes at each stage of the judicial process, from initial hearing to the permanency hearing. Courts track various issues: a child's educational progress, whether school placement is appropriate, and whether the child has a decisionmaker.

Q: What judicial tools or checks are available?

A: Family Court version of the Judicial Rule. [ne. Judicial Rule 2011](#). Iowa, New York, and Pennsylvania, as well as Virginia, have checklists. For example, [http://www.familycourts.org/research=att17](#).

The Legal Center for Foster Care worked collaboratively with the Hamilton County Court and the Legal Aid Society to enhance how education is tracked in Cincinnati, Ohio. Through the "Education Court Report," Hamilton County Children's Services has committed to help support the education of children in Cincinnati Public Schools. The "Education Court Report" is a supplement to the court report and is provided to the student's case worker. The report provides detailed information regarding the child's needs, performance, and placement.

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Q: How are courts tracking educational outcomes of children to ensure they are responding appropriately?

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Q: Where can I find out more about this topic?

A: The Legal Center for Foster Care provides training on a number of tools on our website to the [Education Advocates](#).

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