

| Child in Need of Assistance Definition (IA Code Section 232.96A(1)-(17)) | Refer for CPS Assessment | Recommend for CINA Action | Other |
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| 1. The child’s parent, guardian or other custodian has abandoned or deserted the child. | Yes | No | |
| 2. The child’s parent, guardian, custodian or other member of the household where child resides has physically abused or neglected the child, or is imminently likely to abuse or neglect the child. | Yes | No | |
| 3. The child has suffered, or is imminently likely to suffer, harmful effects as a result of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mental injury caused by the child’s parent, guardian or custodian; or ▪ The failure of the child’s parent, guardian, custodian or other member of the household in which the child resides to exercise a reasonable degree of care in supervising the child. | Yes | No | |
| 4. The child has been, or is imminently likely to be, sexually abused by the child’s parent, guardian, custodian or other member of the household in which the child resides. | Yes | No | |
| 5. The child is in need of medical treatment to cure or alleviate, or prevent serious physical injury or illness and whose parent, guardian or custodian is unwilling or unable to provide such treatment. | If parent, guardian or custodian is unwilling | If parent, guardian or custodian is unable | |
| 6. The child is in need of treatment to cure or alleviate serious mental illness or disorder, or emotional damage as evidenced by severe anxiety, depression, withdrawal or untoward aggressive behavior toward self or others and whose parent, guardian or custodian is unwilling to provide such treatment. | If parent, guardian or custodian is unwilling | If parent, guardian or custodian is unwilling | If parent is unable to provide mental health services, refer the family to Medicaid children’s mental health waiver (CMH) |
| 7. The child’s parent, guardian or custodian fails to exercise a minimal degree of care in supplying the child with adequate food, clothing or shelter and refuses other means made available to provide such essentials. | If there is reasonable belief the alleged abuse occurred within five years of the suspected report of abuse | No | |
| 8. The child has committed a delinquent act as a result of pressure, guidance or approval from parent, guardian, custodian or other member of the household in which the child resides. | Yes | No | |

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| 9. The child has been the subject of or a party to sexual activities for hire or posed for live display or for photographic or other means pictorial reproduction or display which is designed to appeal to the prurient interest and is patently offensive and taken as a whole, lacks serious literary, scientific, political or artistic value. | If the caretaker has allowed, permitted or encouraged such acts | If the caretaker has not had knowledge of, encouraged or permitted such acts | |
| 10. The child is without a parent, guardian or other custodian. | If due to abandonment | If due to death | |
| 11. The child's parent, guardian or custodian for good cause desires to be relieved of the child's care and custody. | No | Yes | |
| 12. The child for good cause desires to have the child's parents relieved of the child's care and custody. | No | Yes | |
| 13. The child is in need of treatment to cure or alleviate chemical dependency and whose parent or guardian, or custodian is unwilling or unable to provide such treatment. | If parent, guardian or custodian is unwilling | If parent, guardian or custodian is unable | |
| 14. The child's parent, guardian, or custodian suffers from a mental incapacity, a mental condition, imprisonment, or drug or alcohol abuse results in the child not receiving adequate care or being imminently likely not to receive adequate care. | If a result of imprisonment, alcohol or drug abuse | If a result of mental capacity or condition | |
| 15. The child's body has an illegal drug present as a direct and foreseeable consequence of the acts or omissions of the child's parent, guardian or custodian. | Yes | No | |
| 16. The child's parent, guardian or custodian unlawfully uses, possesses, manufactures, cultivates, or distributes a dangerous substance in the presence of the child, or knowingly allows such activity by another person in the presence of the child, or possesses a product with the intent to use it as a precursor or intermediary to a dangerous substance, or in the child's home, on the premises, or in a motor vehicle located on the premises, unlawfully uses, possesses, manufactures, cultivates, or distributes amphetamine, methamphetamine, or a chemical or combination of chemicals that poses a reasonable risk of causing an explosion, fire, or other danger. | If there is reasonable belief the alleged abuse occurred within five years of the suspected report of abuse | No | |
| 17. The child is a newborn infant whose parent has voluntarily released custody of the child in accordance with chapter 233. | No | No | HHS accepts surrender |