Glossary of Acronyms – Wisconsin Child and Family Services Review Process

AA = Adoption Assistance

ADA = Assistant District Attorney

AFCARS = Adoption and Foster Care Analysis and Reporting System. The Federal foster care data system, where states submit information, is a source of permanency and placement data.

AODA = Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse

APSR = Annual Progress and Services Report

ASFA = Adoption and Safe Families Act, particularly the ASFA requirement to pursue termination of parental rights after a child has been in OHC for 15 months.

AR = Alternative Response

C/AN = Child Abuse & Neglect

CANS = Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths

CB = Children’s Bureau within the Administration for Children and Families

CCAP = Consolidated Court Automation Programs

CFSP = Child and Family Services Plan

CFSR = Federal Child and Family Services Review

CHIPS = Children in Need of Protection and Services

CHW = Children’s Hospital of Wisconsin

COP = Change of Placement

CPS = Child Protective Services

CRP = Community Response Program

CSE = Confirming Safe Environments

CST = Coordinated Services Team

CT = Case Transfer

DCF = Department of Children and Families. The new Department was created in July 2008 and includes child welfare services, including prevention, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (W-2), child care regulation and licensing, and child support.

DMCPS = Division of Milwaukee Child Protective Services

DV = Domestic Violence

EAP = Emergency Action Plans

eWisACWIS = Wisconsin Statewide Automated Child Welfare Information System

FC = Foster Care

FCM/OCM = Family Case Manager/Ongoing Case Manager

FH = Foster Home

FIP = Family Interaction Plan

FMLA = Family Medical Leave Act

FP = Foster Parent

FTM = Family Team Meeting

FTP = Family Training Program

GAL = Guardian ad Litem

GH = Group Home

IA = Initial Assessment

IAS/IASW = Initial Assessment Specialist/Initial Assessment Social Worker

ICPC = Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children

ICWA/WICWA = Indian Child Welfare Act/Wisconsin Indian Child Welfare Act

IDT = Impending Danger Threat

IEP = Individualized Education Plan

IL = Independent Living
IYS = Integrated Youth Services

JJ = Juvenile Justice

LOC = Level of Care

LON = Level of Need

MH = Mental Health

MUTT = Mobile Urgent Treatment Team (Milwaukee specific crisis response)

OHC = Out-of-Home Care including children placed under court order in foster care, group homes, residential care centers and kinship care. This is equivalent to the federal definition of foster care.

OPPLA = Other Planned Permanent Living Arrangement Federal terminology is APPLA for Another Planned Permanent Living Arrangement

PC = Permanency Consultant/Permanency Consultation

PCFA = Protective Capacity Family Assessment

PDAPP = Present Danger Assessment and Protective Plan

Perm Plan = Permanency Plan

PP = Permanency Plan

PPH = Permanency Plan Hearing

PPR = Permanency Plan Review

RCC = Residential Care Center (Institution)

RCSE = Reconfirming Safe Environments

RTC = Residential Treatment Center

SACWIS = Statewide Automated Child Welfare Information System

SAP = Safety Assessment Analysis and Plan

SG = Subsidized Guardianship

SME = Subject Matter Expert
SNAP = Formerly called the Special Needs Adoption Program operated by DSP. This was renamed Public Adoption in the last year.

SOR = Sex Offender Registry

SPC = State Permanency Consultant

TFC = Treatment Foster Care Levels of Care 3-5

TOG = Transfer of Guardianship

TPC = Temporary Physical Custody

TPR = Termination of Parental Rights

TR = Traditional Response

TR = Traditional Review

VPA = Voluntary Placement Agreement

WICWA/ICWA = Wisconsin Indian Child Welfare Act/ Indian Child Welfare Act

YJ = Youth Justice