

# SERVICE SPECIFICATIONS 2011/2012

CATEGORY OF SERVICE: CHILDREN

## SERVICE DESCRIPTION:

- (1) PREVENTION SERVICES;
- (2) PRE-STATUTORY SERVICES AND EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES; AND
- (3) STATUTORY SERVICES TO CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

DISTRICT: ALL DISTRICTS  
AREA

Name of Town(s)	
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## PREVENTION SERVICES

### AIM

Aim of Service/Project	To provide prevention services to Children, Youth and Families at Risk
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### SERVICES REQUIRED

Target Group (s)	Target group consist children, youth and families at risk.
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### OBJECTIVES AND OUTPUTS REQUIRED

Objective (s)	Output(s)
Prevention Services to Children, Youth and	The aim must be linked to the following:

Families	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Strengthen vulnerable children and families and develop resilience.</li><li>• Promote competency in children and families and maximise normal developmental opportunities</li><li>• Link families and children immediately to resources where there is early warning signs pertaining to risks such as alcohol abuse, crime, etc.</li><li>• Prevention of the deterioration of children's development</li><li>• To enhance the quality of life of children and families.</li></ul> <p>Types of services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Awareness and capacity building programmes.</li><li>• Advocacy and the promotion of the rights of children</li><li>• Life Skills Education</li><li>• Group work</li></ul> <p>Work methods:</p> <p>Group work Community work Information sessions Supervision Management and administration Use of personnel and volunteers.</p>
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## PRE-STATUTORY AND EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES

### AIM

<b>Aim of Service/Project</b>	To provide a comprehensive pre-statutory and early intervention service to Children, Youth and Families at Risk
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### SERVICES REQUIRED

<b>Target Group (s)</b>	Target group consist children, youth and families at risk.
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### OBJECTIVES AND OUTPUTS REQUIRED

<b>Objective (s)</b>	<b>Output(s)</b>
To provide pre-statutory Services and early intervention services to Children, Youth and Families at risk	<p>The aim must be linked to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The protection of the interest and safety of the child at risk and his or her family.</li> <li>• The provision of early intervention services where required.</li> <li>• To promote the social function and well-being of children and families</li> <li>• To enhance the quality of life of children and families.</li> </ul> <p>Types of services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assessment, reception and referral of Children, Youth and Families.</li> <li>• Services to children exposed to child labour</li> <li>• Services to children and families at risk (such as alcohol abuse, crime)</li> <li>• Services to children and families affected by divorce.</li> <li>• Services to children affected by substance abuse.</li> <li>• Services to children, youth and families exposed to HIV/AIDS</li> <li>• Services to children and families subject to poverty</li> <li>• Services to children exposed to commercial sexual exploitation.</li> <li>• Intermediary services for child witnesses</li> <li>• Services to women and children exposed to family violence.</li> <li>• Services to refugee children</li> <li>• Services to children with disabilities</li> <li>• Family preservation services</li> </ul>

- Life and social skills programmes
- Statutory Intervention in terms of any related legislation with a view to family preservation and family re-unification(eg.-Act 20 investigations.)
- Initiation and implementation of related projects to promotes the protection of children.
- Counselling
- Group work

Work methods:

Case work

Group work

Community work

Information sessions

Supervision

Management and administration

Use of personnel and volunteers.

## STATUTORY SERVICES

### AIM

<b>Aim of Service/Project</b>	To provide Statutory Services to Children and Families in the Specified Area
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### SERVICES REQUIRED

<b>Target Group (s)</b>	Target group consist of children in need of care in terms of Children's Act, 2005 (Act 38 of 2005) as amended by Act 41 of 2007 and their families.
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### OBJECTIVES AND OUTPUTS REQUIRED

<b>Objective (s)</b>	<b>Output(s)</b>
To Provide Statutory Services to Children and Families	<p>The aim must be linked to the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The protection of the interest and safety of the child in need of care or at risk of being in need of care and his/her family.</li> <li>• The provision of statutory services where required or early intervention services as required.</li> <li>• To promote the social function and well-being of children and families</li> <li>• To enhance the quality of life of children and families.</li> </ul> <p>Types of services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Crisis intervention in terms of the provisions of the Children's Act, 2005 (Act 38 of 2005) as amended by Act 41 of 2007.</li> <li>• Assessment, reception and referral of children in need of care.</li> <li>• Opening and finalisation of children's court enquiries.</li> <li>• Parental supervision services as prescribed in the Children's Act, 2005 (Act 38 of 2005) as amended by Act 41 of 2007.</li> <li>• Foster care supervision services as prescribed in the Children's Act, 2005 (Act 38 of 2005) as amended by Act 41 of 2007.</li> <li>• Family re-unification services.</li> <li>• Adoption services</li> <li>• Execution of the provisions of the Children's Act, 2005 (Act 38 of 2005) as amended by Act 41 of 2007 in terms of children under statutory care.</li> <li>• Recruitment, selection and training of place of safety parents, foster parents and adoptive parents.</li> <li>• Recruitment, selection and training of volunteers.</li> <li>• Life and social skills programmes</li> <li>• Initiation and implementation of related projects to promotes the protection of children.</li> <li>• Counselling</li> <li>• Group work</li> </ul>

- Support, assessment, referral and therapeutic services within the family of the child where there are incidents of crime, violence, substance abuse, etc. that need to be addressed as part of social work intervention, family reunification and/or support services

Work methods:

- Case work
- Group work
- Community work
- Information sessions
- Supervision
- Management and administration
- Use of personnel and volunteers.

### **Additional Requirements for this Service**

- The organisation rendering the statutory service to children and families shall be a prescribed organisation as provided in Children's Act, 2005 (Act 38 of 2005) as amended by Act 41 of 2007.
- The organisation shall enter into a formal working agreement with the Department of Social Development on the provision of Statutory Services.
- The organisation shall have a social worker employed registered with the SA Council for Social Service Professions (SACSSP)

### **ENQUIRIES**

**DISTRICT OFFICE OFFICIAL**

**Official:**

**Tel Nr:**

**NOTE: Additional information on this specific service and requirements could be obtained from the relevant legislation, departmental policies, position papers and circulars.**

**SUBMIT TO:**

<b>DISTRICT OFFICES:</b>
<b>Office:</b>
<b>Physical Address:</b>
<b>Official:</b>
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APPROVED:

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DISTRICT MANAGER/ EXECUTIVE MANAGER: SWS

DATE: