



Face Sheet's Reason for Placement Statement

What to include:

1. The **focal problem** that resulted in the need for the youth to be placed in your program.
2. The pre-placement **conditions** including:
 - Psychiatric conditions before he was placed with you
 - Behavioral conditions before he was placed with you
 - Medical conditions before he was placed with you
3. The pre-placement **circumstances** including:
 - Family circumstances before he was placed with you
 - Social circumstances before he was placed with you

Example 1:

Johnny is a youth who needs to develop non-maladaptive social and behavioral skills. He was placed at Happy Feelings Group Home as a result of him not being able to do well behaviorally at home. Prior to being placed at HFGH he residing in a CORE (not therapeutic) foster home. Johnny's current diagnosis includes ADHD and ODD. The behaviors he exhibited frequently at the foster home that were related to his diagnosis. Examples of these behaviors were frequent temper explosions, oppositional stances with adults, verbal aggression, and inattentiveness. These behaviors resulted in the identified need to seek a different placement type. While residing at the foster home, Johnny also suffered several seizures which were medically determined to be due to epilepsy. While residing in foster care, Johnny's parents occasionally visited him in placement. Johnny also had home visits to his family home during his foster care placement; however, the home visits were laden with difficulties and not successful, thus the home visits were suspended. Johnny has no siblings. Socially and behaviorally, Johnny made little progress while in the foster home. He also had difficulties making new friends at school. Johnny refused individual counseling while in foster care.

Example 2:

Javier was admitted to Green Meadows Residential School after having being in detention for two months as a result of behavioral difficulties. His current placement in residential care is a step down from detention. Javier's plan is for him to reunify to his parents' home from GMRS. His parents, who live and work in Metropolis City, have been consistently involved with Javier's clinical treatment.



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PNMI Standard 8, Face Sheet Statement Explanation Example

Prior to Javier's placement in detention, he often exhibited problematic behaviors at home, in the community, and in school. These behaviors included truancy and criminal activity - two (2) incidences of theft and one (1) of assault.

Javier's Antisocial Personality Disorder and ADHD diagnosis was reviewed while he was at detention. The evaluation completed while he was in detention resulted in the Antisocial Personality Disorder diagnosis being dropped and a Conduct Disorder diagnosis being added. His diagnosis of ADHD remains unchanged. Javier had no known medical/health conditions previous to placement at GMRS and continues to have no known medical/health conditions.

Conclusion:

The examples shown in this handout demonstrate ways in which PNMI Standard 8 can be met with a brief written statement. In both of these examples, the elements required to meet PNMI Standard 8 are achieved in just one paragraph of each example statement. While these examples are lengthier than needed, actual Reason for Placement statements can be shorter. However, regardless of length, the statement must be written so as to ensure that PNMI Standard 8's requirements are met. The Standard uses the words "for example" when speaking of the specific information to include. What should be understood by that is that, at minimum, the "for example" information should be included.

PNMI Standard 8:

STANDARD CATEGORY: AUTHORIZATION & EVALUATION DOCUMENTATION

Standard 8.

Child's Reason for Placement in Record

8.1 *The reason for the placement of the child is entered in the case record on the face sheet.*

8.2 *The reason for placement must note the focal problem including the pre-placement condition(s) (For Example: **psychiatric, behavioral, medical**, etc. conditions) and circumstance(s) (For Example: **family, social, etc. circumstances**) specific to this child that necessitated the current placement.*

PNMI Standard 8 is the foundation for the requirement of the *Reason for Placement Statement* being included on each record's face sheet