



CSA – A Systems Approach to Caring for “Our” Children

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Statutory Mission & Vision

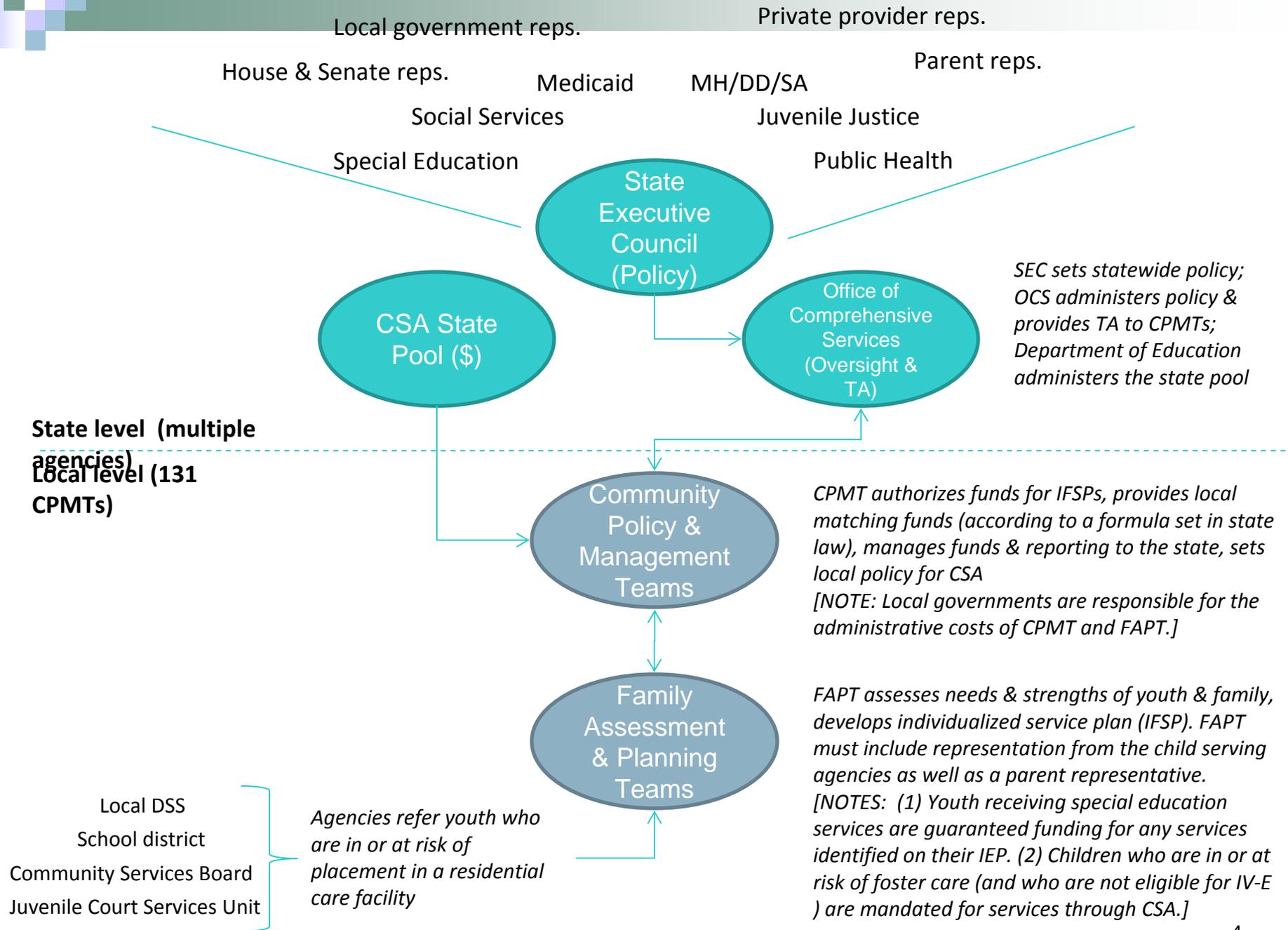
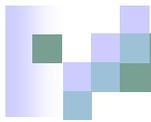
- Improve outcomes for troubled & at risk youth and their families
- Create collaborative system of services & funding
 - Child-centered
 - Family-focused
 - Community-based





Statutory Mission & Vision

- Preserve & strengthen families
- Enable children to remain in their homes, schools & communities whenever possible
- Provide services in the least restrictive environment that effectively and appropriately meets needs
- Protect the welfare of children
- Maintain public safety





Populations mandated to receive services

- The child or youth requires placement for purposes of special education in approved private school educational programs.
- The child or youth has been placed in foster care through a parental agreement between a local social services agency or public agency designated by the community policy and management team and his parents or guardians, entrusted to a local social services agency by his parents or guardian or has been committed to the agency by a court of competent jurisdiction for the purposes of placement as authorized by § [63.2-900](#).



CSA Demographics 2010

■ ***FY'10 Census:***

- At the end of FY'10, 17,568 children/youth received services using pool funds in FY'10 (compared to 17,628 in FY'09).
- These children/youth came from the following referral sources:

■ DSS	10,126	58%
■ Education	4,467	25%

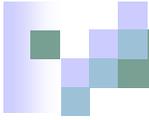


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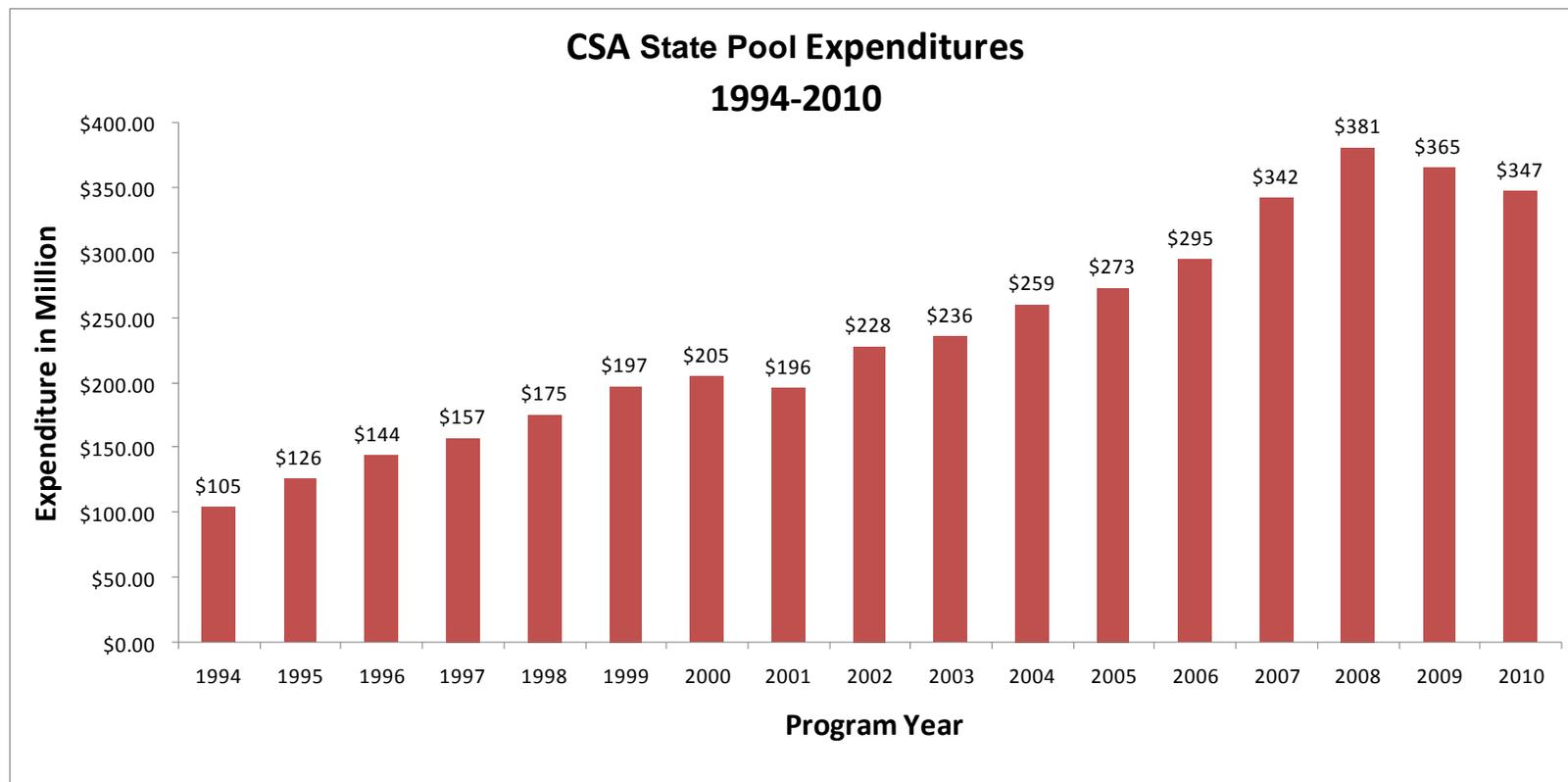
■ Census

□ Referral Sources

■ Juvenile Justice	1,370	8%
■ CSB	1,205	7%
■ Family	67	0%
■ Health Dept.	8	0%
■ Interagency team	226	1%
■ Other	97	1%



Expenditures: 1994 - 2010





Present Budget Language

■ Item 274

- 3a. beginning July 1, 2008, the local match rate for community based services for each locality shall be reduced by 50 percent
- Beginning July 1, 2009, the local match rate for non-Medicaid residential services for each locality shall be 25 percent above the fiscal year 2007 base.
Beginning July 1, 2011, the local match rate for Medicaid residential services for each locality shall be 25 percent above the fiscal year 2007 base.



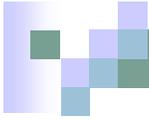
Budget Amendments

- Return therapeutic foster care to a “residential” service, encouraging localities to continue to use the least restrictive settings for providing care (\$7.5 M)
 - In past, TFC services and residential services were together in the data and financial system
 - Presently, along with regular foster care, services at the 2007 match
 - Amendment places back with residential



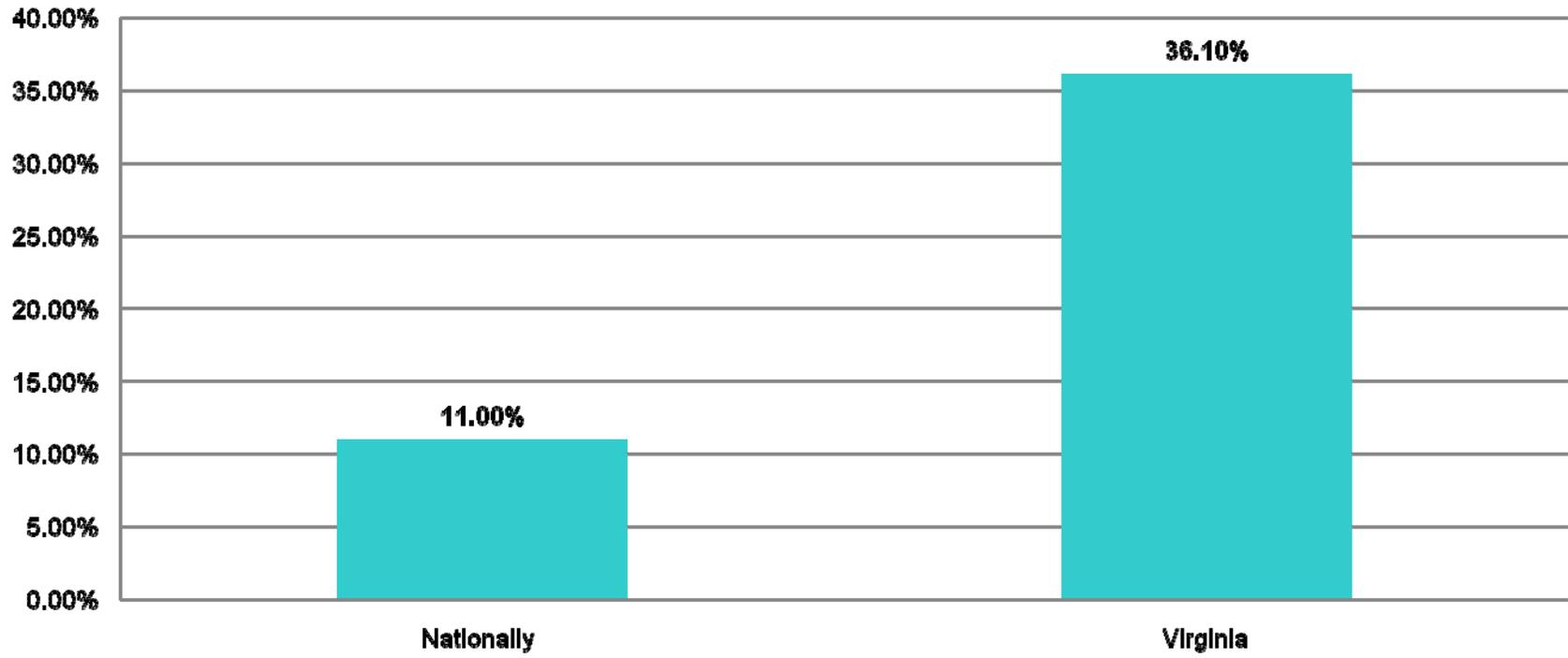
Therapeutic foster care

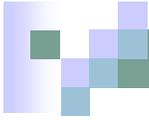
- TFC costs have increased over the last four years.
 - A 38% overall increase for the period 2007 through 2010 (\$65.2M to \$89.9M)
 - Average per child costs jumped from \$19.4K in FY'07 to \$26.2K in FY'10 or 35%
 - The number of children in TFC decreased from 3,697 in 2008 to 3,432 in 2010
 - TFC costs increased (the total, the average per child and the percentage of overall total CSA costs) even though the number of TFC children has decreased



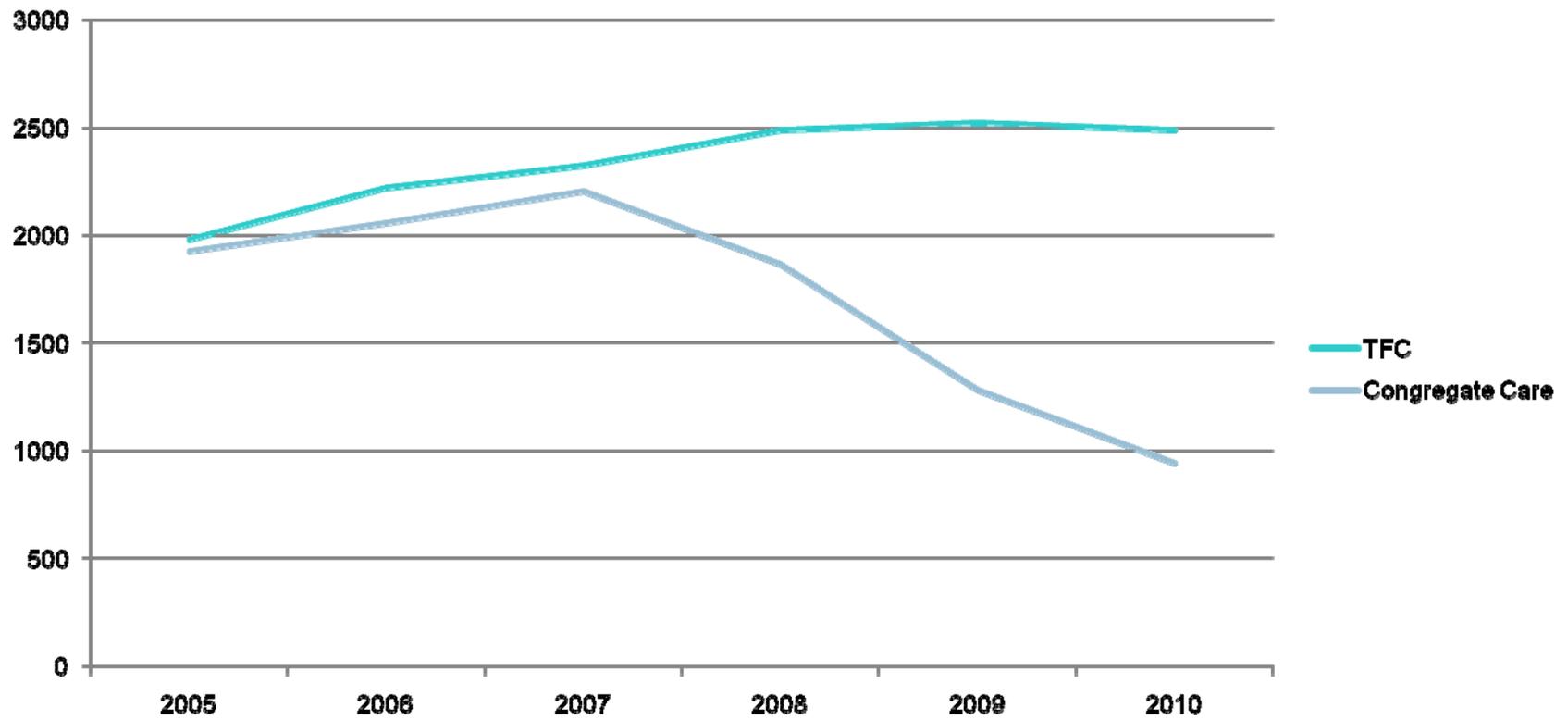
Comparison of TFC Utilization

Percent TFC Placements





Use of TFC and Residential

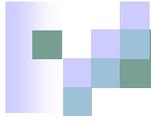




Therapeutic Foster Care

■ In Virginia

- FY '10: 2,458 children in TFC (36.1%)
- 626 left foster care (25%)
- Presently, 30% of VA foster children in TFC
- 18% of VA foster children go to TFC as the first entry into foster care



Therapeutic Foster Care

Outcomes

Of those leaving foster care:

	Nationally	Virginia
Reunified	58%	29.7%
Adopted	11%	22.8%
Kinship care	12%	14.2%
Emancipated	6%	32.3%



Budget Amendment

- Classify “services in the public school” as an education service, putting all services, directly or indirectly related to special education, at the same match rate (\$3.9M).
 - Private school services are at the 2007 match rate while these services are at the community-based rate.
 - Due to federal requirements that there can be no financial incentive to offer one service over another Education Day and Special Education Residential Services are at the 2007 match rate.



SPED Budget Amendment

- Community Based Support services:
 - Are services to children who are eligible under the special education mandate
 - Not IEP services but support children with IEP services
 - Must be in the category where there are no incentives or disincentives, thus the 2007 base rate



Special Education CBS

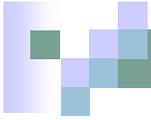
- Services to SPED children who are in the Public Schools

	Children	Total Cost
□ FY '07	1,357	\$17.1M
□ FY'08	1,486	\$18.2M
□ FY'09	1,254	\$15.9M
□ FY'10	1,336	\$16.3M



Non-Mandated Fund

- Eliminate all services not mandated by federal or state law (\$5M)
 - Has been an established category since the beginning of CSA in 1994.
 - Presently used to intervene before a child reaches the level of need for mandated
 - Primarily used by DJJ and CSBs for children at-risk of out-of-home placement without early intervention
 - Those agencies use if do not have a category of funds to serve youth.
 - Can be community based or residential services



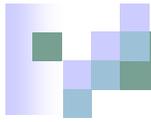
Non-Mandated Funds

	# Localities	Children	Total \$
□ FY '07	78	1,309	\$9.1M
□ FY'08	81	1,265	\$9.2M
□ FY'09	77	1,275	\$6.8M
□ FY'10	75	1,375	\$7.0M



Budget Amendment

- Return additional parental agreement (\$1M)
 - Attorney General's Opinion that CSA covers children in need of services so not necessary to relinquish custody or go to court to get services
 - FAPT enters into agreement with family
 - Amendment captures amount not used



Parental Agreement

	Children	Total \$
<input type="checkbox"/> FY '07	401	\$12.0M
<input type="checkbox"/> FY'08	445	\$11.8M
<input type="checkbox"/> FY'09	541	\$15.5M
<input type="checkbox"/> FY'10	556	\$16.0M

Budgeted at \$17.3M for FY10



Resources for Information

- The CSA Website at www.csa.virginia.gov contains a variety of resources, including rosters of local CSA staff, statistical reports and profiles and the CSA Code.
- The CSA Manual may be accessed on the website or at: www.csa.state.va.us/html/manual_pubs/pubs_manual.cfm
- General questions concerning CSA can be directed to Charlotte McNulty, 804-662-9830 or charlotte.mcnulty@csa.virginia.gov

Thank You!

