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ABSTRACT:
The project that will be carried out by The School of Social Work at the University of Southern California is an evaluation of the Consolidated Homestudy Program, Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services. The Consolidated Homestudy Program is an innovative program that supports this type of "concurrent planning." It is designed to increase adoptions of foster children in need of permanency and decrease time to permanency by streamlining recruitment, training, licensing, and placement activities. Findings from the evaluation will offer insights into more effective approaches to the delivery of adoption promotion and support services for children who cannot be safely reunified with birth families. The Consolidated Homestudy Program evaluation will consist of both outcome and process components. The quantitative outcome evaluation, using administrative data on children in foster care over a five-year period, will compare permanency outcomes for children targeted by the program with those of children receiving traditional services, and factors associated with these outcomes. The Consolidated Homestudy Program outcomes, including time to completion of the homestudy process, size of the adoptive parent pool, and adoptive parent satisfaction will also be assessed. The qualitative process evaluation will focus on program characteristics, including program implementation, barriers to successful implementation, and strategies for overcoming them, as well as program processes, including worker decision-making and foster and adoptive parent recruitment.

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