

Gangs, Cults, and Other Extremists: Core Competencies

14.1 Child welfare worker has a general knowledge of youth gangs, including their language, structure, and activities.

New: I have a general knowledge of established gangs.

14.2 Child welfare worker can assess for child or family participation in special groups (e.g. gangs, cults, sects, hate groups), while considering cultural issues affecting the family.

New: I can assess for child or family participation in special groups, such as gangs or cults.

14.3 Child welfare worker demonstrates skills in working with children and families in which there is specialized group involvement such as gangs or cults effectively engaging families in problem solving while maintaining personal safety. Child welfare worker knows when to refer families for services, or to report to law enforcement.

New: I possess the skills to work with children and families where there is specialized group involvement such as gangs or cults.

14.4 Child welfare worker understands the treatment and placement needs of youth gang members and resources available for treatment.

New: I understand the treatment and placement needs of youth gang members.