Generating AFCARS Data for the Foster Care Report

AFCARS Foster Care Elements

To make users aware of where critical SACWIS data is located in SACWIS for AFCARS reporting purposes, this document presents the SACWIS screen shots as related to each of the AFCARS elements.

Important: To view the related screen shot(s), press the **Control** button and click a link.

1. State
2. Report Date
3. Local Agency FIPS Code
4. Record Number
   - No SACWIS Screen Shots

5. Date of Most Recent Periodic Review

6. Child's Date of Birth
7. Sex

8. 8a–f: Race
9. Hispanic or Latino Origin
   - ACF Definition of Race

10. Has the Child Been Diagnosed with Disability(ies)?
11. Mental Retardation
12. Visually or Hearing Impaired
13. Physically Disabled
14. Emotionally Disturbed
15. Other Medically Diagnosed Condition

16. Has This Child Ever Been Adopted?
17. How Old Was Child When Previous Adoption Legalized?

Ohio | Department of Job and Family Services

Generating AFCARS Data for the Foster Care Report

Important: To view the related screen shot(s), press the **Control** button and click a link.

18. Date of First Removal From Home
19. Total Number of Removals From Home to Date

20. Date of Last Foster Care Discharge

21. Date of Latest Removal From Home

    Note: The Elements Defines Ohio's Reporting Population

22. Date of Latest Removal Transaction Date

    (No Screen Shot for this Element)

    ACF Definition: A computer-generated date which accurately indicates the month, day and year the response to **Date of Latest Removal From Home** (FC Element #21) was entered into the information system.

23. Date of Placement in Current Foster Care Setting
24. Number of Previous Placement Settings During This Episode

25. Manner of Removal From Home for Current Placement Episode

Ohio | Department of Job and Family Services

Generating AFCARS Data for the Foster Care Report

Important: To view the related screen shot(s), press the **Control** button and click a link.

Ohio | Department of Job and Family Services

Generating AFCARS Data for the Foster Care Report

Important: To view the related screen shot(s), press the **Control** button and click a link.

ACF Definition of Race

No Screen Shot for the Element

ACF Definition:

- Enter data only for children who have exited foster care during the reporting period.
- A computer-generated date which accurately indicates the month, day, and year the response to **Date of Discharge From Foster Care** was entered into the information system.

Ohio | Department of Job and Family Services

Generating AFCARS Data for the Foster Care Report

Important: To view the related screen shot(s), press the **Control** button and click a link.

58. Reason for Discharge

59. Title IV-E (Foster Care)

Look for state payments paid on behalf of the child during the reporting period. Look at the state payment table in SACWIS for the child's person ID and for an associated disbursement journal with a warrant date during the disbursement period. If any state payments for the child's person ID are found, report 1 (applies). If none are found, report 0 (does not apply).

60. Title IV-E (Adoption)

For any day during the reporting period, for a child with an active (non-end-dated) legal status of permanent surrender or permanent custody and state payment for the child's person ID with a program fund source mapping code of 10002 or 10003 exist.

61. Title IV-A (Aid to Families with Dependent Children/TANF)

- For any day during the reporting period, look at the client benefit account for the child's person ID with a type of OWF with a payment date within the report period with a net positive payment amount.

- If the no benefit account is found, for any day during the reporting period, looking for a placement type of Kinship-Relative for the child.

- Then, on applicant one and applicant two's person records look at the Employment tab, income sub-tab, and for an entry with a type of **Unearned-OWF**, **Unearned-Public Assistance**, and **Unearned-Emergency Assistance-PRC**. The entry should be dated on or after the date of the child's placement in the relative's home.

- Also, look at child's person record, look at the **Employment** tab, **Income** sub-tab, and for an entry with a type of **Unearned OWF**. The entry should be dated on or after the date of placement in the type of **Kinship-Relative**.

Ohio | Department of Job and Family Services

Generating AFCARS Data for the Foster Care Report

Important: To view the related screen shot(s), press the **Control** button and click a link.

62: Title IV-D (Child Support)

- Look at the client benefit account for the child's person ID with a type of child support with a payment date within the report period with a net positive payment amount.

- If no benefit account is found, look for the child's person record at the **Employment** tab, **Income** sub-tab, for an entry with the type of **Unearned-Child Support**.

63: Title XIX (Medicaid)

- Mark applies for all children in the population who are in care for greater than 29 days.

64: SSI or Other Social Security Benefits

- Look at the client benefit account for the child's person ID with a type of SSI or SSA or Veterans Benefits with a payment date within the report period with a net positive payment amount.

65: None of the Above

- Look at the client benefit account for the child's person ID with a type of Parental Contributions, Stipend, or Veterans Benefits with a payment date within the report period with a net positive payment amount.

- If no benefit account is found, look for the child's person record at the employment tab, income sub-tab, for an entry with the type of anything other than Unearned-Child Support, Unearned-Child Support-Medical, Unearned Child Support Order, Unearned Child Support Order-Medical Unearned-OWF, Unearned-SSI, Unearned-Social Security Survivor's Benefits, Unearned-Foster Care Payments, Unearned Public Assistance, Unearned-Emergency Assistance-PRC, and Unearned-Food Stamps.
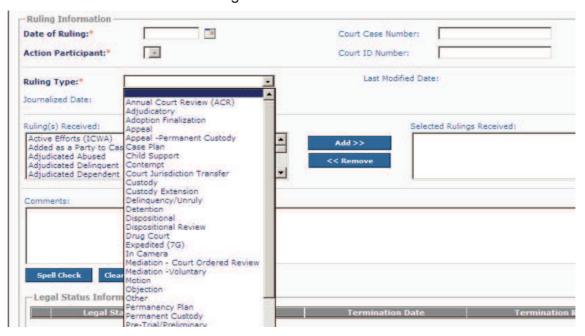
66: Amount of Monthly Foster Care Payment

- Look for payment requests for the child's person ID with a type of placement and disbursement dates that are within the reporting period.

Ohio | Department of Job and Family Services

Generating AFCARS Data for the Foster Care Report

AFCARS Foster Care Element Screen Shots

Important: To return to Foster Care Elements, press the **Control** button and click the link.

Element 5

Child's case screen shot for rulings and SAR:

Or, for a **SAR Case Review**, select any **Review Type**:

Ohio | **Department of Job and Family Services**
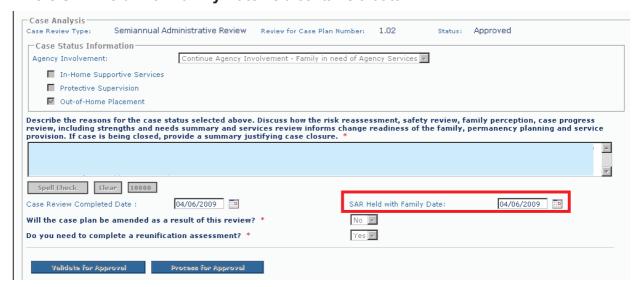
Generating AFCARS Data for the Foster Care Report

Important: To return to Foster Care Elements, press the **Control** button and click the link.

Element 5, continued

Where the child appears in the **Child(ren) Participating in the Case Review** section:

Where **SAR Held with Family Date** field contains a date:

Ohio | Department of Job and Family Services

Generating AFCARS Data for the Foster Care Report

Important: To return to Foster Care Elements, press the **Control** button and click the link.

Element_6 Child's Date of Birth

Element_7 Sex – Child's Person Record BASIC Screen

Element_8 Race a-f

Element_9 Hispanic or Latino Origin – Child's Person Record Demographics Screen

Ohio | Department of Job and Family Services
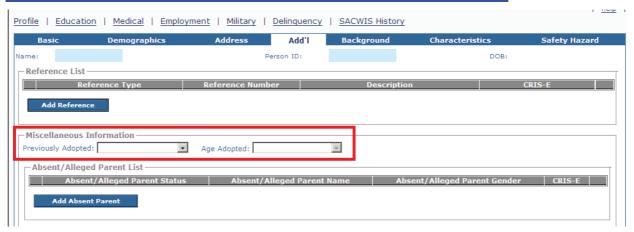
Generating AFCARS Data for the Foster Care Report

Important: To return to Foster Care Elements, press the **Control** button and click the link.

Elements 10 15 Characteristics – Child's Person Characteristics Screen

Element 16 Has This Child Ever Been Adopted?

Element 17 How Old was Child when Previous Adoption Legalized?

Generating AFCARS Data for the Foster Care Report

Important: To return to Foster Care Elements, press the **Control** button and click the link.

Element 18 Date of First Removal from Home – Case Initial Removal Record – Earliest 'Date Removed from Home' e.g. 11/05/2001

Element 19 Total Number of Removals From Home – Case Initial Removal Record – Number of Initial Removal records for the Child

Ohio | Department of Job and Family Services

Generating AFCARS Data for the Foster Care Report

Important: To return to Foster Care Elements, press the **Control** button and click the link.

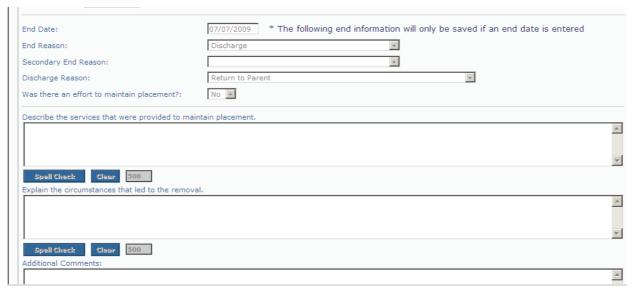## Element 20 Date of Last Foster Care Discharge

Legal Custody Episode and Status Information;

Custody Episode Has End Date;

Note: This will be the from the most recent Previous Custody Episode for the Child

Or, the date from the **Placement Ending Details** record where the **Primary Reason** is **Discharge**

Ohio | Department of Job and Family Services

Generating AFCARS Data for the Foster Care Report

Important: To return to Foster Care Elements, press the **Control** button and click the link.

Element 21 Date of Latest Removal from Home

See the Mapping Document for Element 21 for the Business Rules which impact the reporting for this element.

Element 23 Date of Placement in Current Foster Care Setting

The current placement setting for this child is **Adoptive Placement** and the date is 10/13/2009.

Element 23 = 10/13/2009 and Element 41 Current Placement Setting = AFCARS Value '3' Adoption.
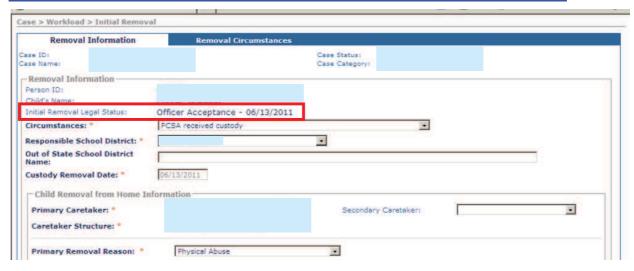

Element 24 Number of Previous Placement Settings during this Episode

The custody episode begin date for this example is 10/09/2007 and the count of Placement Setting's would equal '3'

Ohio | Department of Job and Family Services

Generating AFCARS Data for the Foster Care Report

Important: To return to Foster Care Elements, press the **Control** button and click the link.

Element 25 Manner of Removal From Home for Current Placement Episode

Element 26 – 40 Removal from Home Reason

Child must have at least one removal reason

Ohio | Department of Job and Family Services

Generating AFCARS Data for the Foster Care Report

Important: To return to Foster Care Elements, press the **Control** button and click the link.

Element_41 Current Placement Setting

Element_41 Current Placement Setting = AFCARS Value '3' Adoption

Element_42 Is Current Placement Setting Out of State?

Based on the Placement Setting established in Element 41, Current Placement Setting, navigate to the **Provider Information** screen via the **Edit** link. If the **Primary Address** reflects a **NON-Ohio Address**, then Element 42 would be AFCARS **Value '1' Yes, Current Placement Setting is located outside of the State making the report**. In this example, the report code would have returned AFCARS **Value '2' No, the child continues to reside within the State making the report.**

Ohio | **Department of Job and Family Services**

Generating AFCARS Data for the Foster Care Report

Important: To return to Foster Care Elements, press the **Control** button and click the link.

Element 43 Most Recent Case Plan Goal

From the child's list of case plans, select the most recent **Approved** plan.

Element 44 Caretaker Family Structure

In this example, the selected structure is **Single Female** AFCARS value '3'.

Note: Legally Separated is mapped to the AFCARS value of **Married Couple** value '1'.

Ohio | Department of Job and Family Services

Generating AFCARS Data for the Foster Care Report

Important: To return to Foster Care Elements, press the **Control** button and click the link.

[Element_45 Year of Birth: 1st Principal Caretaker](#)

[Element_46 Year of Birth: 2nd Principle Caretaker](#)

From the persons identified as **Primary Caretaker** and **Secondary Caretaker** from the child's **Initial Removal** record, the system reports the **YEAR of BIRTH** for the Person Record for the Primary and Secondary Caretakers.

[Element_47 Parental Rights Termination: Mother [Date of]](#)

[Element_48 Parental Rights Termination: Father [Date of]](#)

Generating AFCARS Data for the Foster Care Report

Important: To return to Foster Care Elements, press the **Control** button and click the link.

Element 49 Foster Family Structure

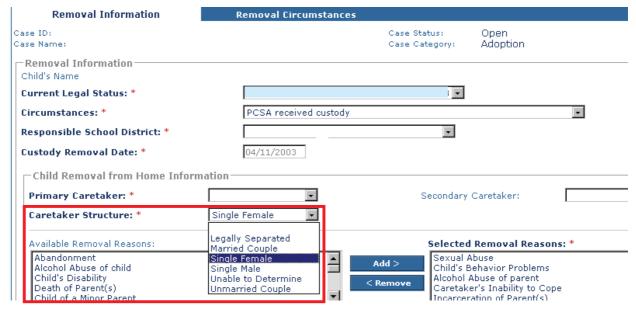When the child's most recent placement record, if a **Home** provider, click the **Provider Information** link / **Member(s)** tab / and then **Edit** link in the **Household Marital Status Details** section.

Element 50 Year of Birth: 1st Foster Caretaker

Element 51 Year of Birth: 2nd Foster Caretaker

Click the **Provider Information** link / **Member(s)** tab for Applicant 1 & 2 / and click the applicant's name link. On the **Person Information** screen, see Applicant 1 & 2 **Year of Birth** (**DOB** field).

Ohio | Department of Job and Family Services

Generating AFCARS Data for the Foster Care Report

Important: To return to Foster Care Elements, press the **Control** button and click the link.

[Element_52: Race: 1st Foster Caretaker](#)

[Element_53: Hispanic or Latino Origin: 1st Foster Caretaker](#)

[Element_54: Race: 2nd Foster Caretaker](#)

[Element_55: Hispanic or Latino Origin: 2nd Foster Caretaker](#)

Click the **Provider Information** link / **Member(s)** tab for Applicant 1 & 2 / and click the applicant's name link. On the **Person Information** screen, click the **Demographics** tab.

Basic	Address	Members	Caregivers	Capacity

Provider Category: Home   Provider ID :   Provider Name:

Current Active Members

View Member History

Name / ID	Gender	DOB	Age	Role	Effective Date	
Sacwis, Susie	FEMALE			Applicant 1	08/07/1996	
	MALE			Child Household Member	08/07/1996	
	MALE			Applicant 2	08/07/1996	

Profile | Education | Medical | Employment | Military | Legal | Delinquency | SA

Basic	Demographics	Address	Add'l	Background

Name: Person ID: SSN:

Demographic Information

Race

- ☐ Alaskan Native
- ☑ White
- ☐ Native Hawaiian
- ☐ Unable to Determine
- ☐ Black/African American
- ☐ American Indian

Ethnicity/Ancestry

Hispanic/Latino: [Unknown ▼]

Ohio | Department of Job and Family Services

Generating AFCARS Data for the Foster Care Report

Important: To return to Foster Care Elements, press the **Control** button and click the link.

Element 56 Date of Discharge from Foster Care

If the child's most recent **Agency Custody Episode** (excluding COPS, COPS Ext and TCOPS) has been end dated, then use this date as the **Date of Discharge**.
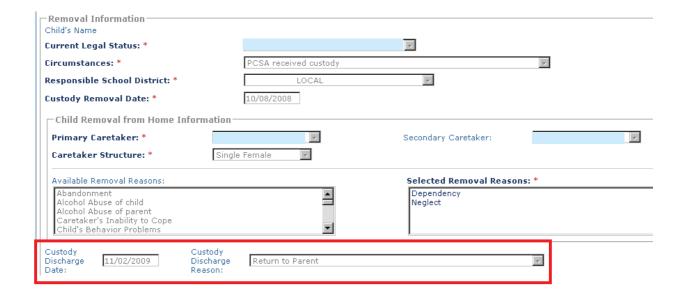

Element 57 Date of Discharge from Foster Care Transaction Date

Date not modifiable by end user.

Element 58 Reason for Discharge

Locate the most recent **Initial Removal Record for the Child**. If the record has a **Custody Discharge Date** and **Custody Discharge Reason**, then report the **Custody Discharge Reason**. If the initial removal is not discharged, report this value as **blank**.

Ohio | Department of Job and Family Services
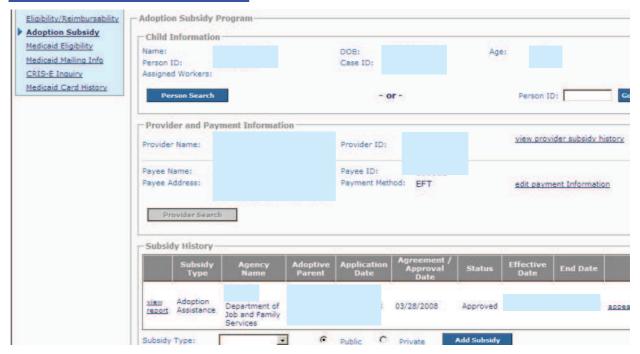
Generating AFCARS Data for the Foster Care Report

Important: To return to Foster Care Elements, press the **Control** button and click the link.
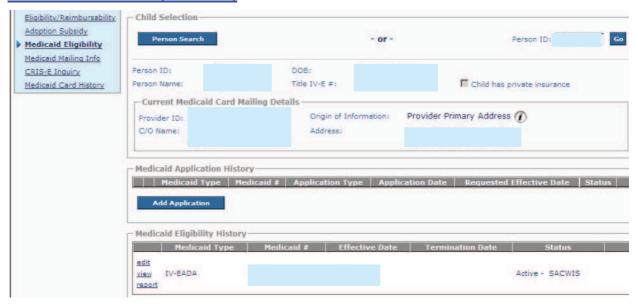

Element 59 Title IV-E (Foster Care)

Element 60 Title IV-E (Adoption)
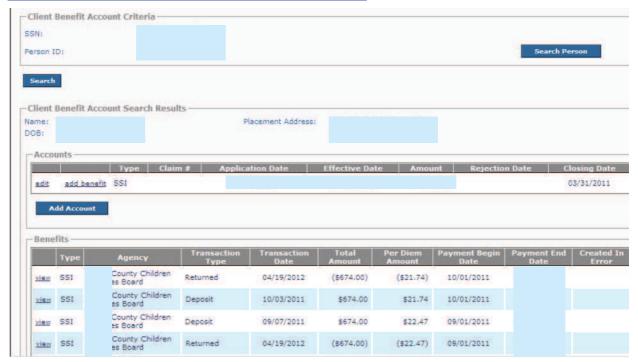
Generating AFCARS Data for the Foster Care Report

Important: To return to Foster Care Elements, press the **Control** button and click the link.

Element 63 Title XIX (Medicaid)

Element 64 SSI or Other Social Security Benefits

Ohio | Department of
Job and Family Services

Generating AFCARS Data for the Foster Care Report

Important: To return to Foster Care Elements, press the **Control** button and click the link.

[Element 66 Amount of Monthly Foster Care Payment](#)

ACF Definition of Race

In general, a person's race is determined by how they define themselves or how others define them. In the case of young children, parents determine the race of the child.

The race element is six characters in length lettered "**a**" through "**f**" and formatted as follows:

    a.   **American Indian or Alaska Native** – A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North or South America (including Central America), and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment.

    b.   **Asian** – A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam.

    c.   **Black or African American** – A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.

    d.   **Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander** – A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.

    e.   **White** – A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.

    f.   **Unable to Determine** – The specific race category is "**Unable to Determine**" because the child is very young or is severely disabled and no person is available to identify the child's race. "**Unable to determine**" is also used if the parent, relative, or guardian is unwilling to identify the child's race.

Ohio | **Department of Job and Family Services**