

**ITN 2023-02**  
**Centralized Placement**  
**Response to Written Inquiries**  
**03/21/2024**

1. Does the ITN also include foster care licensing responsibilities or only centralized placement for Circuit 20? **This contract will be for Centralized Placement Only. There are currently 5 agencies providing recruitment and licensing: Camelot Community Care, Childrens Network of Southwest Florida, 4 Kids, One More Child and Lutheran Services Florida.**

2. How many current licensed foster homes and beds are there in Circuit 20. **See below.**

**# of Licensed Homes**

Provider	# of Homes	# of Beds
Childrens Network	65	144
Lutheran Services	66	150
Camelot Community Care	41	82
One More Child	64	92
4 Kids	8	17

**# of Homes by County**

Provider	Lee	Charlotte	Hendry/Glades	Collier
Childrens Network	42	1	4	18
Lutheran Services	64			2
Camelot Community Care	1	40		
One More Child	43	2	2	17
4 Kids	5	1	1	1

**# Beds by County**

Provider	Lee	Charlotte	Hendry/Glades	Collier
Childrens Network	87	4	7	46
Lutheran Services	146			4
Camelot Community Care	1	81		
One More Child	61	2	3	26
4 Kids	11	1	3	2



3. Will the provider for placement services have responsibility for supervision and transportation of children needing placement during their initial entry into out of home care or also for placement disruptions? **The provider will be responsible for transportation and supervision for both initial placements and disruptions.**
4. If supervision and transportation is to be provided for placement disruptions, is it a 24/7 requirement or will this only occur outside of business hours? **The requirement will be 24/7.**
5. If supervision of children is to occur, will there be an identified location provided? **There is currently a children's room at Ford Street in Fort Myers, as well as a children's room in Cape Coral, these are intended for day time usage and not intended for evening or overnight use. The provider can identify a location outside the offices for this purpose, funding will be considered for this purpose.**
6. Will there be an enhanced payment tier system in place to support the placement of high-risk children? **CNSWFL is currently in the process of developing an enhanced foster home tier system. This is intended for foster homes who have had the required training, for children who meet the requirements and will require Utilization Management Director approval. We have several new group homes in Circuit 20 who take youth with challenging behaviors. We also have one group home that is becoming licensed as a BQRTP.**
7. Will placement specialists require certification? **CNSWFL prefers certification as a measure of risk management, however this could be waived with comparable qualifications and pre-service training. The following additional training is also preferred:**
- **TBRI**
  - **Motivational Interviewing**
  - **Trauma Informed Care**