

Division of Children and Family Services

Administrative Memo #1-2008

TO: Service Area Administrators
Protection and Safety Workers, Supervisors and Administrators
Resource Development Workers, Supervisors and Administrators

FROM: Todd Reckling, Administrator
Policy Section
Division of Children and Family Services

DATE: February 20, 2008

RE: Nebraska Safety Intervention System

Effective: Immediately

Duration: Until further regulation is issued

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Purpose: The purpose of this memo is to implement the Nebraska Safety intervention System process.

History: The Nebraska Safety Intervention System was developed in consultation with the National Resource Center for Child Protective Services, the Child Welfare League of America and ACTION for the Protection of Children. Development of the system began in 2005 with a review and comparison of similar models across the nation. All staff have been trained in the system and training is incorporated into new worker training.

Action Required:

- Staff are instructed to immediately begin to apply the processes outlined in the attached materials:
 1. Nebraska Safety Intervention System – Assessment Overview
 2. Nebraska Safety Intervention System – On-going Assessment and Case Planning for Children Identified as Unsafe and Their Families

- Supervisors are instructed to review the material with Protection and Safety Workers to highlight areas of attention for continued implementation.