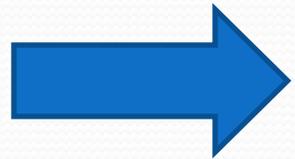


Where am I and what in the world am I looking for?

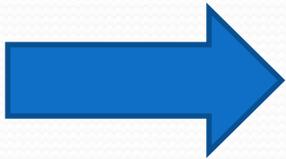


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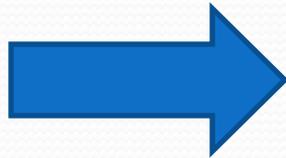
Where do I start???



Ask your client!



Releases...



Dig...

Prior to client interview

	Mental health providers?
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	Visits?
	Family support?
	Completed services?
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During the client interview

- Family support
 - Relatives vs. family friends
 - Possible placement for children?
 - Witnesses to positive parenting?



During the client interview

- Community support
 - Church?
 - Group sessions/therapies?
 - School?
 - Volunteer?
 - Responsible for anyone?



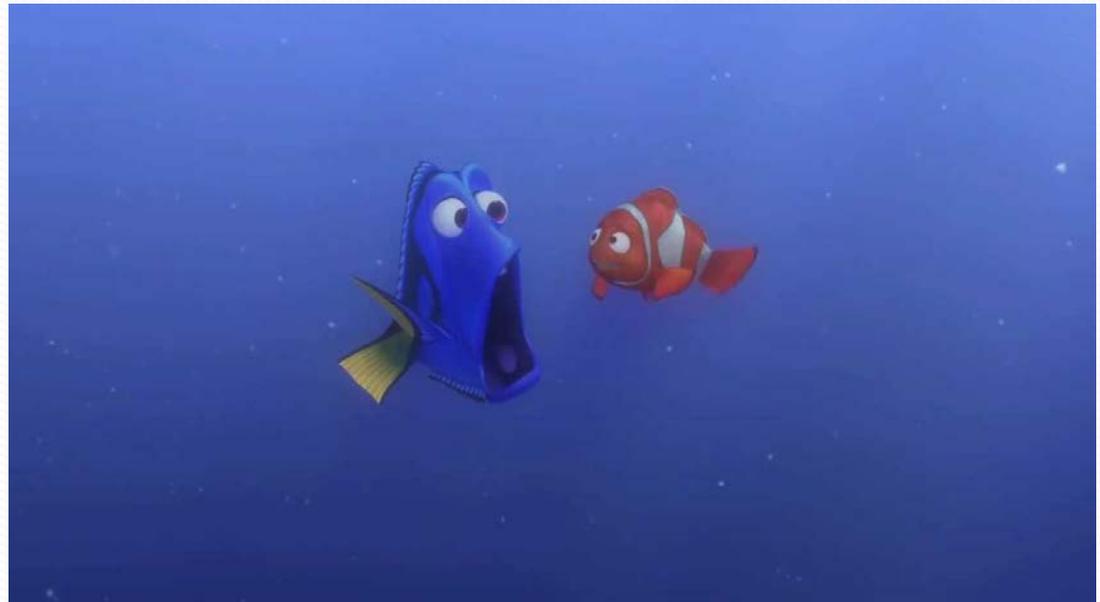
During the client interview

- Medical support
 - Doctor
 - Hospitals
 - Clinics
- What about for the kids?



During the client interview

- Any positive resources from CPS??
 - Family support specialists
 - Family case managers
 - CPS workers



During the client interview

- Justice system supports
 - Are they on probation? Have a defense attorney for pending?



Names, numbers, address...

OR AS CLOSE AS YOU CAN GET!!!



RELEASES!!!



Get these signed...



SPD HEALTH



SPD HEALTH 2



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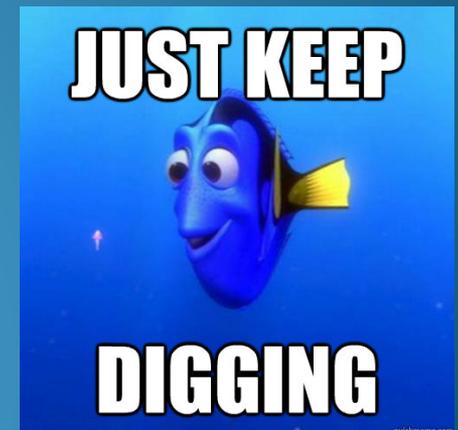
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Sign Here: 



Just keep digging, digging, digging...

Don't forget to stay on top of that CPS file. Not every county will continuously give you updates/discs. Set up an appointment to view/copy the file! Bring your CSS with you!



Don't forget the CHIPS file

- People make mistakes
 - Look for the technical details
 - Were TPR warnings ever attached or explained?
 - Were all the goals clearly laid out
 - Was everything that was “expected” of your client actually in the court orders?
 - Was the Family Case manager pre-mature to make a recommendation of TPR at any point in the case?

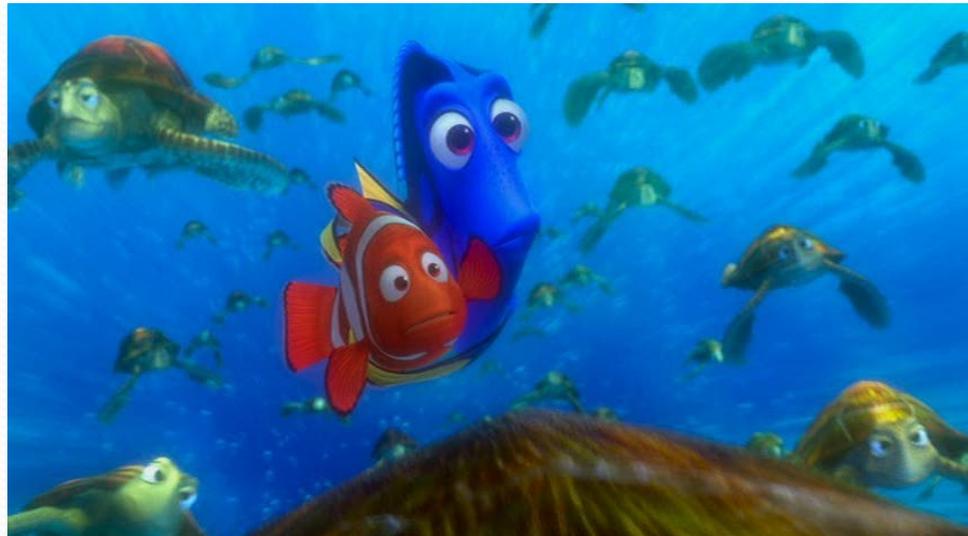
Review the case notes

- Who do you need to depose vs. who should you have your CSS/investigator interview?
- Come up with a system to flag positives and negatives throughout those workers case notes.



Don't forget

- Don't get caught up in your digging.... Be wary of reciprocal discovery
- Work together with your CSS worker when obtaining information.



**So – where do we dig in
our case problem?**