

# CWS-CARES Foster Care Placement Fact Sheet

A guide on [Placement Search](#), [Ending Placements](#), and [Foster Care Payments](#) in CWS-CARES.

## An Introduction to Foster Care Placement

When a child is removed from their home, a foster care placement must be found. In California, this process prioritizes placing children in family-based settings with relatives or approved resource families.

CWS-CARES functionality allows Social Workers to search multiple placement options, add placements to a short list, and view placement status on a single screen. The new Foster Care Eligibility Determination (FCED) interface connects CWS-CARES to CalSAWS, allowing Social and Eligibility workers to share documents, rate determinations, and payment information for foster homes electronically.



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## Placement Search

The Placement Search feature helps Social Workers find available placements for a child whenever they need out-of-home foster care placement. **Multiple results populate on a single screen** when a search is entered, and workers can use **the multi-select feature** to associate one or more placements to the child. Once associated, workers can **compare potential placements** on the same screen to determine the best fit for the child's specific needs. The screenshot below shows the results returned when searching for a placement and the multi-select association option.

Fields marked with \* are mandatory.

### Placement Search

|                                               |                                       |
|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Location Name                                 | Placement Category<br>Congregate Care |
| Placement Type<br>1 option selected           | Placement City                        |
| STRTP X                                       | Placement County<br>--None--          |
| Placement Zip Code                            | Spoken Language<br>Select an option   |
| Placement Specializations<br>Select an option |                                       |

Cancel Search

Q Search

Total: 19 Selected: 3

| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Location Name                                     | Placement Type                                     | Phone Number   | Address                                                | Placement Availability |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|----------------|--------------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | SCQA Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Program   | Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Program (STRTP) | 400-01-3068    | 7599 Mockingbird Junction, Campbell, California, 95050 | 22                     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | FRQA Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Program   | Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Program (STRTP) | (510)-161-8680 | 7259 Gina Plaza, Ralsin City, California, 93652        | 17                     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | 625SHORT TERM RES THERAPEUTIC PROGRAM 10          | Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Program (STRTP) | (555)-555-6666 | 243MetroPlz, Uptown, Illinois, 606430000               | 80                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | Acc Short - Term Residential Therapeutic Program  | Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Program (STRTP) | (555)-888-9999 | 303RiverRd, Columbus, Ohio, 432150000                  | 59                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | SITAC STRTP                                       | Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Program (STRTP) | (555)-888-9999 | 303RiverRd, Columbus, Ohio, 432150000                  | 60                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | CC Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Program     | Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Program (STRTP) | (661)-700-3463 | 253 Forster Plaza, Bay View, California, 94806         | 24                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | SC Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Program     | Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Program (STRTP) | (209)-475-5503 | 04639 Warbler Road, Los Gatos, California, 94023       | 24                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | CCQA Short - Term Residential Therapeutic Program | Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Program (STRTP) | (619)-212-5969 | 9203 Little Fleur Street, Richmond, California, 94806  | 23                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | FresnoQA Short - Term Residential Therapeutic     | Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Program (STRTP) | (661)-328-1253 | 6714 Nancy Point, Selma, California, 93662             | 81                     |

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## Ending a Placement

The screenshot below shows the fields required to end a placement in CWS-CARES. While removing a placement directly is not supported, workers can instead end the current placement by adding the *End Date* and selecting an *End Placement Reason* from the dropdown. For placements that are entered accidentally, workers follow the same process and select the ***Entered in Error*** option from the dropdown. The *Entered in Error* option is also available in the *End Placement Change* page but not the *Reason for Placement Change* field.



## Foster Care Data Exchange

The new Foster Care Eligibility Determination (FCED) interface with CalSAWS is still being tested in the CWS-CARES Production Simulation environment. CWS-CARES Project is actively working alongside CalSAWS to address the issues testers have reported, many of which are related to data conversion. By CWS-CARES Go-Live, data conversion issues **will be resolved and tested sufficiently** to ensure placement families receive appropriate funding to support the children in their care. Recent Eligibility fixes and enhancements relate to: CalSAWS Vendor IDs, Case Linking/De-Linking, Adoption Assistance Program functionality, and Permanency. For more details on defect resolutions, view the weekly [CWS-CARES Release Notes](#) on the Production Simulation Hub.

To avoid additional delays in data exchange, ensure documents like the FC 2 and SOC 158A are generated, reviewed for errors, and submitted to CalSAWS within the designated timeframe. This may require some manual adjustments to these documents.

## Learn more about Foster Care in CWS-CARES on the CWDS website:

- [Case Management Demonstrations](#)
- [Case Management FAQs](#)
- [Informational Articles \(CWS-CARES Public Library\)](#)
- [CWS-CARES Guides and Infographics](#)
- [FCED & Eligibility Demonstrations](#)
- [FCED & Eligibility FAQs](#)
- [FCED Hub](#)
- [Production Simulation Hub](#)