

AFCARS ASSESSMENT REVIEW IMPROVEMENT PLAN – General Requirements

State: Wisconsin

Report Period Under Review: April 1, 2005 - March 31, 2006 (2006A)

No.	Requirement	Rating Factor	Findings	Task	Estimated/ Completed Date	State/ACF's Comments/Notes ACF's Sign-off Notes
Data Quality - Conversion						
27	<p>State transferred historical information on open cases. Specifically, it included information on: date of first removal, total number of removals, and whether the child's mother was married at the time of the child's birth. If the case was open at the time of conversion, information on the number of placement settings was included.</p>	3	<p>One issue that continues to impact the quality of Wisconsin's data, resulting in missing or incomplete information for some elements, is its four-year conversion process.</p> <p>For example, there are 404 records in the 2006A data file that do not have a date of first removal (foster care element #18). While this is a decrease from prior report periods and reflects that the State is addressing data clean-up, the number of records missing a date of first removal is still unacceptably high. The missing information is related to conversion</p>	<p>Instruct case workers to check each open case for prior removal episodes and/or missing placement settings.</p>		