

## **THE GENOGRAM (CD-14G) INSTRUCTIONS**

The *(CD-14G) Genogram* is a one page, stand alone tool completed with the family within the first 30 days of the case opening. The Genogram should be updated when there is a change in family dynamics.

### **PURPOSE:**

The Genogram is completed in order to gain information regarding the structure and history of the family/household. It is important to know who makes up the family and who lives in the household. The Genogram should cover *at least three generations*. This provides information that relates to behavior passed from one generation to the next, extended family support and conflict, and important historical information that may be related to present functioning.

It is important, in a comprehensive assessment of the family, to construct a genogram that includes extended family members and intergenerational information. The worker will include as much information as is needed in order to make a thorough assessment of the family. Names, ages, significant family events, marriage dates, etc., are examples of information to include. The worker must use his/her judgment in determining the extent to which a genogram will be used.

### **NUMBER OF COPIES AND DISTRIBUTION:**

The number of copies and distribution will depend on the circumstances in which the tool is used.

### **Family-Centered Services and Family-Centered Out-Of-Home Care:**

The Genogram is to be retained in the assessment and services section of the case record.

### **Memorandum History:**