

Local interagency staffing teams are responsible for identifying the foster children who are emotionally or behaviorally disturbed and in need of a therapeutic placement (i.e. ISCEDC eligible). The large drop of almost 300 children parallels the drop in total number of children in foster care between SFY 2011 (8111) and SFY 2012 (6738). In SFY 2012, 26.1% of foster children were ISCEDC eligible (slightly higher than in SFY 2011, when the corresponding rate was 25.3%).

