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The Department of Social Services concurs with the overall findings of the analysis.

There are, however, a several items in the report that bear clarification:

- ? On the bottom of page 1, we need to be clear that the local departments are attending the statewide training, not providing it.
- ? At the top of page 4, we would add that the major reason the Department indicated the family assessment approach may increase needed resources is because more service needs were identified in the pilot localities.
- ? In the next paragraph on page 4, we just want to be clear that even though a CPS worker conducting a family assessment is not required to use the "refuse entry" language that is in the regulations currently for investigations, the worker only enters the home when allowed to do so by an adult in the home.