

Ex Parte Arraignment Information

Rhode Island Department of Children, Youth and Families

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In the course of Child Protective Services investigations, it is sometimes necessary to remove children from their homes. Initially, these children are placed on 48 hour holds by the police or CPIs or 72 hour holds by a doctor/nurse practitioner and a partial packet is sent to the Intake Unit with information about the removal. If the children are to remain out of their homes after the hold expires, an Order of Detention, ex parte must be obtained.

When an Order of Detention, ex parte, is granted, an arraignment is held in Family Court within seven (7) days. To ensure that necessary information is available to the judge at the arraignment, the Court Activity Window and Out of Home Placement Window must be updated immediately by the CPI.

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Procedure From Policy 500.0120: Ex-Parte Arraignment Information

- A. After being granted an Order of Detention, ex parte, the CPI will enter the arraignment information in the Court Activity Window. (The Out of Home Placement Window should have been updated by the CPI when the child was placed).
- B. Either an intake or FSU worker must attend the arraignment. The worker will update the Court Disposition Form and ensure that the information is entered in the Court Activity Window.