



Ohio Administrative Code Rule 5101:2-36-14 Protective service alert.

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(A) A public children services agency (PCSA) shall issue a protective service alert (PSA) if either of the following occurs:

(1) The PCSA receives an abuse or neglect report, the whereabouts of a child or his or her parent, guardian, or custodian are unknown, and the PCSA has reason to believe the child is in immediate danger of serious harm.

(2) The PCSA determines that protective services are needed, the whereabouts of the child or his or her parent, guardian, or custodian are unknown and the PCSA has reason to believe the child remains at risk of abuse or neglect.

(B) The PCSA shall issue a PSA in the statewide automated child welfare information system (SACWIS) and specify whether the PSA is to be processed as an in-state or out -of- state alert.

(C) Upon receipt of the notification that a person has been located, the PCSA who has located a person shall cancel the PSA.

(D) The PCSA is to set the expiration date of the PSA at a minimum of one year from the creation date. The PSA will expire on the expiration date selected as long as the requirement for a minimum of one year is met.

(E) A PSA may be extended prior to the expiration date. A PSA extension will expire one year from the issue date.
