Timeline of QRTP Placements

Qualified Residential Treatment Programs (QRTP)

Best practice is to review & approve all QRTP placements *prior to* placement in a QRTP. All other judicial finding requirements, including those required for IV-E eligibility, remain in effect.

<u>Wyoming's QRTPs</u>

Cathedral Home (Laramie)
YES House (Gillette)
Meadowlark (Cheyenne)
Red Top Meadows (Jackson)

Maximum of 30 Days after Placement

Maximum of 60 Days after Placement

Ongoing through QRTP Placement

Qualified Individual Assessment (QIA)

A QIA is statutorily required for **every** QRTP placement (W§ 14-3-429(c)(iv)(A).

A clinical assessment of any kind is not considered a QIA.

Initial Judicial Review & Approval

Judicial Review & Approval is statutorily required for *every* QRTP placement (W§ 14-3-429(c)(iv)(B).

Ongoing Judicial Review & Approval

Judicial Review & Approval is statutorily required for *every* QRTP placement (W§ 14-3-431(j)(ii)(A-D).

Judicial Review & Approval cannot be completed until the QIA has been completed. All judicial findings must be child and family-specific, per 45 CFR §136.21(d).

Statutory Requirement	Example
Consider and review the clinical assessment and QIA documentation and determination (at hearing placing the child) OR review other information provided by DFS (at subsequent hearings during the QRTP placement).	The minor child, XXX, shall be placed in the custody of the Department of Family Services for placement in accordance with the recommendations of the Qualified Individual Assessment, the CANS, and XXX, XXX, etc.
Determine if the needs of the child can be met through placement at home, in a foster family home or, if not, whether placement in a QRTP can provide the most effective and appropriate level of care in the least restrictive environment. Determine if the QRTP placement is consistent with the child's short and long-term goals identified in the Case Plan.	The minor child's placement in a QRTP will provide the least restrictive and most appropriate level of care, consistent with the short and long term goals for the minor child and their permanency plan.
Document the specific treatment or service needs that will be met by the QRTP and the length of time the child is expected to need those treatment and services.	The specific treatment needs that will be met for the minor child in the QRTP placement include working on fostering personal responsibility and participating in family, group, and individual therapy, while residing in an environment that can maintain the child's safety. The minor child is expected to remain at a QRTP for approximately six months, depending on the child's progress in treatment.
Document the efforts made to prepare the child to exit care or to be placed in a foster family home.	The Department of Family Services has made reasonable efforts to maintain the child in their community, including WrapAround Services, individual counseling, day treatment, safety planning, ankle monitoring, and placement in foster family homes.
Approve or disapprove the placement.	The Court hereby approves of the QRTP placement.