## Tips for Ohana Conference



#### FOR VCM WORKER



## why cws is involved?

Ex: physical neglect/DV/SA issues. Please just a quick overview- avoid sharing details at the beginning - we will address later in 'Concerns'



#### purpose

FAC opens by asking SW or family what they would like to discuss.

Sample Purposes:
Discuss Service Plan
Visits
Case Direction
Ongoing concerns
ex: ongoing substance
abuse by parents



## update on children

Know who the children are placed with, who their PCP/Dentist are + current health, what school they attend, extracurricular activities, mental health + how they are doing, list services for children



# hopes + dreams

Ex of what you can share:
For children to remain in
a healthy and stable
home



## family strengths

Workers often share that it is a big strength for parents to have family support attending OC or consistency with services



#### concerns + legal timelines

Explain current legal status & what that means, what are the expectations moving fwd. \*Please be prepared to clearly state what VCM is looking for in order to move towards case closure.

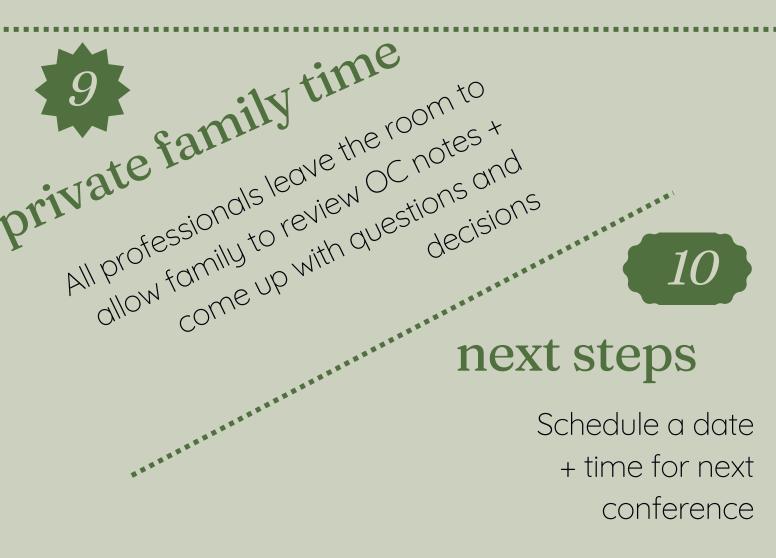
### help + services

Be prepared to list services parents are asked to complete & provide update on current status, next steps/ Understand that we will put a 'to-do-by' date for any needed referrals or follow-ups- for ex: we will ask the SW "when will you call HIna Mauka to submit the referral for SAA?" Be prepared to explain the reason for services - parents will often ask why they need to do a SAA or attend a parenting class



#### visits

If parents share custody, FAC will be asking how visits are going. Be prepared to share when the last visit was? How often? Location? Are they supervised or unsupervised- related to safety. Progress of visits for each parent + siblings





# important dates to bring to the OC:

