

A

- AA - Adoption Assistance
- ABC Unit - Acute Behavioral Crisis Unit at Mt Sinai Hospital
- ABLE - Adult Basic and Literacy Education
- ACR - Administrative Case Review
- AAG - Assistant Attorney General
- ABH - Advanced Behavioral Health, Inc.
- ACF - Administration for Children and Families (Federal)
- AD - Area Director
- ADA - American's with Disabilities Act
- ADD - Attention Deficit Disorder
- ADHD - Attention Deficit Hyperactive Disorder
- AFCAMP - African, Caribbean, and American Parents of Children with Disabilities
- AG - Attorney General
- AIC - Alternative Incarceration Center
- AO - Area Office
- AOSW - Area Office Social Worker
- APHSA - American Public Human Services Association
- APPLA - Another Planned Permanent Living Arrangement
- APS - Adult Protective Services
- ASFA - Adoption and Safe Families Act
- ASO - Administrative Service Organization

B

- BHP - Behavioral Health Partnership
- BLS - Bureau of Labor Statistics
- BOR - Board of Regents (Education)
- BSF - Building Stronger Families

C

- CA - Case Aide
- CAN - Connecticut Association of Non-profits
- CAN Codes - Child Abuse and Neglect Codes for LINK reporting
- CARES - Child and Adolescent Rapid Emergency System
- CASAC - Connecticut State Adolescent Substance Abuse Treatment Coordination Project
- CBHAC - Children's Behavioral Health Advisory Council
- CBT - Cognitive Behavioral Therapy
- CCPA - Connecticut Community Providers Association
- CDHI - Commission on the Deaf and Hearing Impaired
- CDI - Commercial Drivers license
- CHIPS - Children's Hospital Inpatient Psychiatric Services
- CHDI - Children's Health Development Institute
- CHOICE - Children's Homes Offering Individualized Cooperative Environment
- CFSR - Child and Family Service Review
- CHAP - Community Housing Assistance Program

- CHEER - Community, Housing, Educational and Enrichment Resources Program
- CIP - Children in Placement
- CJR - Connecticut Junior Republic
- CJTS - Connecticut Juvenile Training School
- CLOC - Children's League of Connecticut
- CMCU - Centralized Medication Consent Unit
- CO - Central Office (505 Hudson Street, Hartford, CT 06106)
- CONCEPT - Connecticut Collaboration on Effective practices for Trauma
- CPA - Child Placing Agency
- CPI - Confidential Personal Information
- CPS - Child Protective Services
- CPT - Child Placement Team
- CREC - Capital Region Education Council
- CR-CFT - Considered Removal - Child and Family Teaming
- CSC - Children's Services Consultant
- CSEA - Child Support Enforcement Agency
- CSHCN - Children with Special Health Care Needs
- CSSD - Court Support Services Division (Judicial Branch)
- CTBHP - Connecticut Behavioral Health Partnership
- CTJJA - Connecticut Juvenile Justice Alliance
- CWLA - Child Welfare League of America
- CY - Calendar Year
- CYSA - Connecticut Youth Services Association
- CYSPI - CT Youth Suicide Prevention Initiative

D

- DART - Detection Assessment Research & Treatment at Yale new Haven Hospital
- DAS - Department of Administrative Services
- DBT - Dialectical Behavior Therapy
- DCF - Department of Children and Families
- DDS - Department of Developmental Services
- DMHAS - Department of Mental Health and Addition Services
- DMST - Domestic Minor Sex Trafficking
- DOB - Date of Birth
- DOC - Department of Correction
- DOL - Department of Labor
- DPH - Department of Public Health
- DR - Differential Response
- DRS - Differential Response System
- DSM - Diagnostic Service Manual
- DSS - Department of Social Services

E

- ECCP - Early Childhood Consultation Partnership
- EAP - Employee Assistance Program
- EBT - Electronic Benefit Transfer

- ED - Emergency Departments (at hospitals)
- EDT - Extended Day Treatment
- EEO - Equal Employment Opportunities
- EEOC - Equal Employment Opportunities Commission
- EIP - Early Intervention Program
- EITC - Earned Income Tax Credit
- EMPS - Emergency Mobile Psychiatric Services
- EPSDT - Early Periodic Screening Diagnosis and Treatment
- ESL - English as a Second Language
- **Emily J.** - Lawsuit which challenged the conditions of confinement in the Juvenile Detention Centers operated by the defendant officials of the State of Connecticut and the state's treatment of those children confined in those facilities.

F

- FAE/FAS - Fetal Alcohol Effect / Fetal Alcohol Syndrome
- FAQ - Frequently Asked Questions
- FAR - Family Assessment Response
- FASU - Foster and Adoptive Services Unit
- FAVOR - Family Advocacy for Children's Behavioral Health
- FBR - Family Based Recovery
- FIT - Family Intensive Therapy (Waterford Country School Program)
- FFY - Federal Fiscal Year
- FFT - Functional Family Therapy
- FPL - Federal Poverty Level
- FSATS - Family Substance Abuse Treatment Services
- FSE - Family Search and Engagement
- FST - Family Support Teams
- FT - Full Time
- FTI - Federal Tax Information
- FWSN - Family With Service Needs
- FY - Fiscal Year

G

- GA - General Assembly
- GAFS - Global Assessment Functioning Scale
- GAIN - Global Appraisal for Individual Needs
- GAL - Guardian Ad Litem
- GED - General Educational Development
- GID - Gender Identity Disphoria
- GSD - Gender and Sexual Diversity (an alternative to: LGBTQQIAA)

H

- HART - Human Anti-trafficking Response Team
- HB - House Bill
- HHS - Department of Health and Human Services (Federal)
- HR - Human Resources

- HYP - Hartford Youth Project

I

- ICFSS - Intensive Community Family Support Service Programs
- ICO - Interstate Compact Office
- IEP - Individualized Education Program
- IFP - Intensive Family Preservation
- IICAPS - Intensive In-home Child and Adolescent Psychiatric Services
- IOP - Intensive Out Patient
- IS/MIS - Information Systems/Management Information Systems
- ITC - Immediate Temp. Custody – Probate Court
- IS - Information Systems
- IRB - Institutional Review Board
- IV-E - Title IV-E of the Federal Social Security Act

J

- JJ - Juvenile Justice
- JJPOC - Juvenile Jurisdiction Policy and Operations Coordinating Council
- JJPIC - Juvenile Jurisdiction Planning and Implementation Committee
- **Juan F.** - Consent decree which resulted from a federal class action suit filed against the Department of Children and Youth Services, now the Department of Children and Families (DCF). The suit broadly challenged the department's management, policies, practices, operations, funding, and protocols concerning abused and neglected children in its custody and those who might come into its custody.

K

L

- LD - Learning Disabled
- LEA - Local Education Agency
- LEP - Limited English proficiency
- LGBTTTQQIAAP (or LGBT, LGBTQ, etc.) - Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Two Spirit, Queer, Questioning, Intersex, Asexual, Allies and Pansexual

M

- Manson - Manson Youth Correctional Institution
- MBE - Minority Business Enterprise
- MDFT - Multi-Dimensional Family Therapy
- MEPA - Multi Ethnic Placement Act
- MET - Motivation Enhancement Therapy
- MIT - Multidisciplinary Investigation Team
- MSS - Managed Service System
- MST - Multi-Systemic Therapy
- MST- FIT - Multi-Systemic Therapy - Family Intensive Therapy
- MST-PSB - Multi-systemic Therapy – Problem Sexual Behavior

- MYI - Manson Youth Correctional Institution

N

- NAMI-CT - National Alliance for the Mentally Ill of Connecticut
- NCSEA - National Child Support Enforcement Association

O

- OA - Office Assistant
- OCA - Office of the Child Advocate
- OFAS - Office of Foster and Adoption Services
- OOS - Out of State
- OPM - Office of Policy and Management
- OPP - Our Piece of Pie Program
- OTC - Order of Temporary Custody

P

- PASS - Preparing Adolescents for Self-Sufficiency Group Home
- PATH - Parents Available to Help
- PD - Program Director
- PDCs - Permanency Diagnostic Centers
- PEAS - Parent Education and Assessment Child Services
- PFC - Professional Foster Care
- PIP - Program Improvement Plans
- PHP - Partial Hospitalization Program
- PIP - Preschool Intervention Program
- PM - Program Manager
- PMAC - Psychotropic Medication Advisory Committee
- PMI - Psychotropic Medication Information
- PO - Probation Officer
- PPSP - Permanency Placement Services Program (Policy Chapter 48-22-2)
- PPT - Permanency Planning Team
- PPT - Pupil Placement Team
- PRT - Placement Review Team
- PRTFs - Psychiatric Residential Treatment Facilities
- PS - Program Supervisor/Protective Supervision
- PT - Permanency Teaming
- PT - Part Time
- PWCL - Parents With Cognitive Limitations
- PY - Program Year
- PYDI - Positive Youth Development Initiative

Q

- QA - Quality Assurance
- QC - Quality Control

R

- RA - Regional Administrator
- RFP - Request for Proposal
- RBA - Results Based Accountability
- RBT - Reinforcement Based Therapy
- ROM - Results Oriented Management
- RRG - Regional Resource Group
- RTA CT - Raise the Age Connecticut
- RTC - Residential Treatment Center

S

- SAC - State Advisory Council
- SACS - Sexual Assault Crisis Services
- SAFAR - Substance-Abusing Families at Risk
- SB - Senate Bill
- SCAN - Suspected Child Abuse and Neglect - clinic at CCMC
- SCJM - Superior Court for Juvenile Matters
- SDE - State Department of Education
- SED - Serious Emotional Disturbance
- SFY - State Fiscal Year
- SHP - Safe Harbor Project
- SIU - Special Investigations Unit
- SNAP - Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program
- SSA - Social Security Administration
- SSI - Social Security Income
- SSN - Social Security Number
- STAR Home - Short-Term Assessment and Respite Home
- STEP - Support Team for Educational Progress
- SW - Social Worker
- SWCA - Social Work Case Aide
- SWET - Supportive Work, Education and Transition Program
- SWS - Social Work Supervisor
- SWT - Social Worker Trainee

T

- TANF - Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
- TDM - Team Decision Making
- TFC - Therapeutic Foster Care
- TF-CBT - Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavior Therapy
- TFH - Therapeutic Foster Home
- TOG - Transfer of Guardianship
- TOPS - Time Out for Parents
- TPC - Treatment Planning Conference
- TPR - Termination of Parental Rights
- TSS - Therapeutic Support Staff
- TPR - Termination of Parental Rights

U

- UC - Unemployment Compensation
- UI - Unemployment Insurance
- USD2 - Unified School District 2
- USDA - United States Department of Agriculture
- USDOL - United States Department of Labor

V

W

- WATCH - Wraparound Services – Community Child Guidance Clinic
- WEP - Work Experience Program
- WIA - Workforce Investment Act
- **W.R.** - Lawsuit that was filed by several plaintiffs (youths in DCF's care and/or their parents) who claimed that the DCF discriminated against them on the basis of their mental illness and that they were harmed by DCF's failure to put into place policies and procedures to make sure that mentally ill youth in the care of DCF had placements available to them which would help them to live in the community.

X

Y

- YAB - Youth Advisory Board
- YCI - York Correctional Institution
- YIC - Youth In Crisis
- YPP - Youth Parents Program
- YSAB - Youth Suicide Advisory Board
- YSB - Youth Service Bureau
- YSO - Youth Services Officer

Z