Present Danger Plan

Family Name: _____ Date: _____

Section A

Child Information

List all children included in the Present Danger Plan

Name and Date of Birth/Age

Section B

Description of Present Danger

Describe all confirmed Present Danger Situations

Section C

Protective Actions

Describe in detail the protective action(s) to control Present Danger including names, contact information, days per week, hours per day, and the location of providers' participation in the plan.

Provider One

Name: _____ **Phone:** _____
Address: _____ **Email:** _____
When: _____
Where protective action is provided: _____
Protective Action: _____

Provider Two

Name: _____ **Phone:** _____
Address: _____ **Email:** _____
When: _____
Where protective action is provided: _____
Protective Action: _____

Section D

Monitoring the Present Danger Plan

Describe how the agency will monitor this plan and communicate with those involved, including Caretaker(s) and providers.

Anticipated End Date of Present Danger Plan: _____
Specialist Name and Phone Number: _____
Emergency Contact Number: _____

Section E

Signatures

Caretaker Signatures

Child Protective Services has explained the reason for a Present Danger Plan, discussed the details of the plan with me, and I understand the plan. I understand that if this plan no longer keeps my child(ren) safe, there will be a reassessment and the plan may change. This may mean moving from an in-home Present Danger Plan to an out-of-home Present Danger Plan and/or from no court involvement to court involvement. My signature below indicates that I understand and agree to my role in the plan and that I received a copy of the plan and the Frequently Asked Questions about Present Danger Plans.

Caretaker/Relationship	Date	Caretaker/Relationship	Date

Date Attachment Given to Caretaker _____ Date Attachment Given to Caretaker _____

I am/am not (circle one) enrolled or have reason to believe I am eligible for enrollment in the _____ tribe in South Dakota.

I request that the South Dakota Division of Child Protection Services notifies/does not notify (circle one) the ICWA office of the tribe identified above.

PDP Sent to ICWA Program Yes ☐ Date _____ No ☐ N/A ☐

Provider Signatures

Child Protective Services has explained the reason for a Present Danger Plan and discussed the details of the plan with me. My signature below indicates that I understand and agree to my role in the plan and that I received a copy of the plan and the Frequently Asked Questions about Present Danger Plans.

Provider/Relationship	Date	Provider/Relationship	Date

Date Attachment Given to Provider _____ Date Attachment Given to Provider _____

Specialist Signatures

My signature below indicates that I have discussed this Present Danger Plan with the Caretaker(s) and provider(s) responsible for carrying out the plan and that I provided a copy of the plan and the Frequently Asked Questions about Present Danger Plans.

Specialist Name _____

Specialist Signature _____ **Date** _____

Supervisor Signatures

Supervisor Name _____

Supervisor Signature _____ **Date** _____

Frequently Asked Questions for Present Danger Plan Providers

What is a Present Danger Plan?

A Present Danger Plan is an immediate, short term plan to keep the child(ren) safe when they have been identified as being in danger because of the actions of their caretaker(s). A Present Danger Plan is an alternative to placing children in foster care and is developed with the input from the child(ren)'s caretakers. By agreeing to the plan, you are committing to keeping the child(ren) safe while the Family Services Specialist learns more information by completing an Initial Family Assessment with the family. An Initial Family Assessment is a neutral approach for gathering information in response to a report of child abuse or neglect.

Family, friends , and/or neighbors can be part of the plan. The Department of Social Services may have other resources available to offer support throughout the Present Danger Plan.

What are the goals of a Present Danger Plan?

The goal of a Present Danger Plan is to work together to keep the child(ren) safe and placing them with people they know.

What if I change my mind after agreeing to the Present Danger Plan?

If you have concerns with the Present Danger plan or your ability to follow through with the tasks of the plan, contact the Family Services Specialist immediately. If the plan isn't followed, the agency will need to make other arrangements.

Can Present Danger Plan change?

Yes, The Present Danger Plan may change as additional or new information is learned and a less intrusive plan can be put in place, the plan can no longer ensure the safety of the child or the parent(s) no longer consent to the present danger plan.

What if my household members have changed since I agreed to the plan?

The Department of Social Services is required to ensure everyone in your household is agreeable to the plan. If the children are in your home on a 24/7 plan this will include completing background checks on all household members to ensure continues safety of the child(ren). Please alert the Family Services Specialist to any changes in your household during the course of the Present Danger Plan. Failure to alert the Family Services Specialist may cause significant changes in the plan.

What if I need assistance to meet the demands of the Present Danger Plan and the needs of the children?

Because the Present Danger plan is a voluntary plan and the child(ren) are not in the protective custody of the Department of Social Services, financial assistance is not directly available from Child Protection Services. Despite this, please let the Family Services Specialist know if any of the following situations *may prohibit* you from maintaining your commitment as a Present Danger Plan provider.

The Department of Social Services may be able to refer you to resources, or in some cases, provide services directly to you that can help you maintain your role as a provider such as:

- Child Care Assistance/Day Care
- Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program/Food
- Transportation Assistance/Gasoline
- Housing Concerns
- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)/Finances
- Any other item/need that may prevent you from providing care

When will the Present Danger Plan end?

The Present Danger Plan is short term. The Present Danger Plan will end when the Initial Family Assessment is completed and a determination is made that the children can be safely returned to the home or needs to enter legal custody with Child Protection Services. If safety continues to be a concern, you may be asked to be a resource for the family.

Communication between you and the Family Services Specialist is of utmost importance and you need to notify the Family Services Specialist of any questions or concerns you may have.

The Family Services Specialist must review the Present Danger Plan weekly to see if the plan remains sufficient and address areas of concern until the IFA is completed.