



## TEAM PLANNING GUIDE ACHIEVING AND SUSTAINING PERMANENCE FOR YOUTH

*Please use these questions to guide your team's planning to increase the number of youth in foster care who exit with a family relationship they can count on for a lifetime.*

- 1. Please engage in a conversation that reflects on the following: (10 minutes)**
  - What have you learned at the Convening so far that has been reaffirming for you?
  - What have you heard that has challenged you the most?
  
- 2. Please engage in a conversation guided by the following planning questions: (50 minutes)**
  - Who are the youth in your community most in need of family permanence, e.g. youth age 11 and older; youth entering care as teens; youth age 17 and older; youth of color; or youth waiting for adoption? *(Reference: your own data/data provided and/or Fact Sheet Two)*
  - What priority permanency goals are needed for youth in foster care in your community and what would you like the outcomes to be within the next 18 months?
  - What key strategies would you strengthen or implement to achieve these outcomes? *(Reference: Fact Sheet Three)*
  - What existing/additional partners are needed to achieve these outcomes and what would their roles be?
  - What are your immediate next steps when you return to your community?
  
- 3. Please write a summary of your outcomes, strategies, and immediate next steps on the large sheets of paper at your table, and leave for the Convening organizers to collect and collate for review by all Convening participants during the closing luncheon. (15 minutes)**
  - Name of State/County/Tribal Team
  - Outcomes to achieve within 18 months
  - Strategies to strengthen or implement these outcomes
  - Immediate Next steps