

Dear Susan,

I hope that Cory is settling in comfortable and everything is well with your family. I just wanted to check in with you to insure that he is making some progress.

Now that your family has had some time to adjust, we should start making some plans for Cory's future. Because of Cory's pre-natal exposure to heroin, he will need some extra supports to help him live a normal life. Other children with Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome have responded well to treatments with early interventions. We need to make arrangements for the best treatments available to give Cory the same chances as other children.

I think it is important that you and your family take the time to get some specialized training. Some of this information you can get from MCFD's mandatory 53-hour foster parent training. But for special cases like Cory's, we need to sit down and find available courses and set aside some funding for you to attend.

Please, let me know how well you feel you understand Cory's condition, and then we can try to find you some suitable training programs.

Helena Spence

Guardianship worker