

## **CWS3105W Adoption Assistance Case Scenario**

### **The Walsh Family Case Scenario example:**

Mr. and Mrs. Walsh have been fostering three Caucasian siblings, Kelly Taylor, age nine-, and four-year-old twins, Benjamin and Brandon Taylor. Kelly was placed in their home first on 10/1/2023 after an involuntary removal order. The court order showed reasonable efforts were made and the box was checked on the court order and the order contained language that the continuation in the removal home would be “contrary to the welfare” of the child and placement in foster care resulted. Kelly screened as IV-E eligible for this foster care episode and a copy of the Initial Notice of Action was received from the Benefits Specialist.

The twins share the same mother and father as Kelly. They entered care on 1/25/2024 from an involuntary removal order stating reasonable efforts to prevent removal were made and contrary to the child's welfare was also checked.

The agency tried to reunite the siblings with their birth family, but rights were terminated on biological mother and biological father on 5/5/2025. There were no subsequent appeals.

The children were registered on AREVA 5/18/2025 by their adoption FSS, Donna Martin. Kelly, Benjamin, and Brandon are now legally free for adoption. Mr. and Mrs. Walsh were asked if they are able to adopt without adoption assistance and they stated that they are not able to adopt without the financial assistance and support. They are interested in applying for Virginia Adoption Assistance and have requested an Application for Adoption Assistance.

Kelly was born substance exposed to methamphetamines. She has been diagnosed with ADHD. She attends biweekly counseling with an LPC and bimonthly medication management with a child psychiatrist. She is currently taking Vyvanse to manage her ADHD symptoms and behaviors. Kelly also has had chronic ear infections and has had tubes put in her ears twice. She has an ear infection even now, after the second set of tubes was placed. She has difficulty hearing sometimes and complains of her ears feeling "clogged." She has partial hearing loss. She was prenatally exposed to methamphetamines, which was confirmed at birth through drug test results of mom and baby. Kelly sees an ENT otolaryngologist Specialist every three months and consults with the Roanoke Valley Speech and Hearing Center biannually. The physicians have documented the office visits, surgeries, and medications used to manage Kelly's ear infections.

Benjamin and Brandon were placed in this home after their premature birth at 35 weeks. They were prenatally exposed to methamphetamines and spent a total of five weeks in the NICU at a local hospital after being born. The Walsh family visited the infants in the hospital, attempting to bond with the babies. Brandon had RSV (Respiratory Syncytial Virus) when he was two months old. He has had almost constant respiratory infections since then and sees a Pulmonary Lung Specialist quarterly; due to his age he is not yet diagnosed with asthma, but he is treated as though he has it (nebulizer and inhaler treatments weekly). The doctor says that he may always be susceptible to lung infections and will need to continue to be monitored.

Benjamin has almost constant ear infections and sees an ENT (Ear, Nose, and Throat) Specialist quarterly. He also struggles with breathing issues, though not as severe as Brandon, he requires a nebulizer treatment weekly. He is scheduled to have tubes in his ears and is being assessed for speech delays. The twins are both four-years-old. Brandon has strabismus (misaligned eyes) and Benjamin amblyopia (lazy eye that required an eye patch for a few weeks a month). Both boys also have motor skills delays and have physical therapy three times a week.

Kelly attends before and after school daycare at The Kids Place Inc. Her parents drop her and her siblings off at 6:00am, Kelly leaves for school at 8:00am and returns to The Kids Place Inc. after school care at 3:10pm. She remains at daycare until her parents pick all three children up at 6:30pm. The twins attend daycare every day because both mom and dad work out of the home and they have not yet started Kindergarten.

Mrs. Walsh is a special needs pre-school teacher at Little Ones Preschool and Mr. Walsh works at Goodwill Industries, a local non-profit organization. Mrs. Walsh makes approximately \$28,000 annually and Mr. Walsh has an annual salary of \$36,000. They do not have any additional children or household members to be considered.

Name	D.O.B.	Client ID	Case #	Last VEMAT	Amount	Score
Kelly Taylor	10/10/2015	9876543	20158793	05/01/2025	\$672	12
Benjamin Taylor	12/29/2021	9876544	20158793	05/01/2025	\$448	8
Brandon Taylor	12/29/2021	9876545	20158793	05/01/2025	\$448	8

+U.S. Citizenship verified by birth certificates for Kelly, Benjamin, and Brandon Taylor

Adoptive Parents: James “Jim” and Cynthia “Cindy” Walsh

Mortgage: \$700

Utilities: \$200

Cell: \$160

Car: \$90

Food: \$600

Homeowner Insurance: \$200

Health Insurance: \$180

Child Care Cost: \$250

Clothing: \$400

Extracurricular: \$300

Jim and Cindy Walsh were approved as foster adoptive parents on April 1, 2022. They have had a foster home recertification completed and they are currently approved resource parents from April 1, 2025- March 31, 2028, and a copy of their current Certificate of Approval was given to FSS Martin. They completed their sworn statements on March 30, 2025. Their background checks were returned from OBI and they do not have a criminal background. Fingerprints were returned from OBI for Jim Walsh on March 23, 2025 and fingerprints were returned from OBI for Cindy Walsh on March 21, 2025. Central Registry checks were returned for Jim Walsh on March 31, 2025 and Cindy Walsh on March 31, 2025.

The Walsh’s home address is 1234 Address Rd, Glen Allen, VA 23060. Their phone numbers are (987) 654-3210 (Jim) and (987) 654-0123 (Cindy). Their email addresses are [jim.walsh@gmail.com](mailto:jim.walsh@gmail.com) and [cindy.walsh@gmail.com](mailto:cindy.walsh@gmail.com).

The Adoption Assistance application was sent to the adoption Family Services Specialist and signed by both adoptive parents on August 15, 2025. The referral for Adoption Assistance was sent to the Assistance Negotiator on August 18, 2025. The Negotiator Report was completed August 27, 2025. The Adoption Assistance agreement begins September 1, 2025.

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