Developmental Jigsaw Puzzle Activity Rebecca (Sexualized Youth)

Rebecca (13 year-old) and her two siblings came to the attention of DCFS because they were sexually molested by their grandfather. The grandmother would not agree to the grandfather being removed from the home consequently, DCFS took custody of all three children.

Rebecca and her siblings were placed in different foster homes because of their sexualized behaviors.

Rebecca's foster parent describes her as a youth who will ask almost anyone who comes in contact with her to have sex with her. She approached the foster parent's 11 year old daughter and asked her to have sex with her. She has approached grown men asking them to have sex with her. The last straw for the foster parent was when she approached a man in a department store and asked him to perform a sex act with her. Rebecca indicated to the foster parent that she knows that she has a problem and needs help.

Rebecca is currently placed in the emergency shelter, where she has resided for the past nine months. According to the shelter staff she has made progress with controlling her sexualized behaviors. She attends school regularly and reacts appropriately to directives from teachers and staff.

She has regular visits with her siblings. In addition, other relatives visit her on a consistent basis. However, none of these relatives have stepped forward to be a placement for Rebecca.

A psychosexual evaluation was recently completed. One of the findings is that Rebecca can reside in a foster home with girls older than her.

DCFS decided to place Rebecca in a specialized foster home.