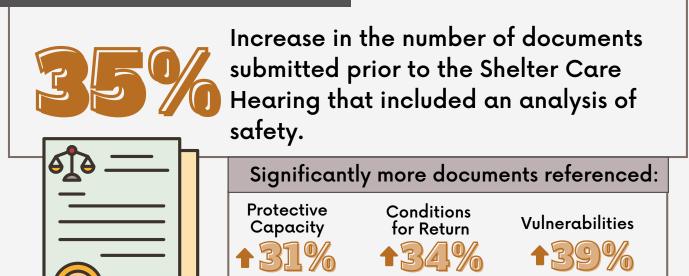
WASHINGTON SAFETY DECISION-MAKING PRACTICE EVALUATION JUNE 2022

TOP FINDINGS

The goal of the <u>Safety Summit Project</u> is to help dependency court systems increase utilization of the safety framework and develop a shared understanding around the assessment of child safety. The design of the Safety Summits was based on findings from the <u>baseline evaluation</u> of safety practices in identified project sites conducted. Sites were evaluated 3-5 months post training to compare practice to the baseline assessment. This infographic displays some of the most significant findings from the <u>Washington Safety Decision-Making Practice Follow-up Study</u>.

DISCUSSIONS OF SAFETY	
Shelter Care Hearings	Review Hearings
Specific 132% Safety Threats	Parental Protective
Efforts to Prevent	Justification for Supervised Family Time

ANALYSIS OF SAFETY







of the post-summit shelter care documentation included an analysis of safety and addressed specific safety threats

FAMILY TIME

increase in discussion of safety-related justification for supervised visitation at the Shelter Care Hearing

SAFETY PLANS



increase in discussion of safety planning at Shelter Care Hearings

PROMISING IMPACT: Project sites experienced a decrease in the percentage of cases where the child was removed after an in-home safety plan was put in place (measured at 6 and 12 months). Because the data are in aggregate, statistical comparisons were not made.

<u>References: Alicia Summers and Sophia Gatowski of the Capacity Building Center for Courts</u> (June 2022) Washington Safety Decision-Making Practice Follow-up Study



Administrative Office of the Courts Family & Youth Justice Programs <u>www.wacita.org</u>