

Abstract

**What Barriers Do Social Workers Face Regarding the Reintegration of Children Placed into Foster Care with Their Birth Parents?
A Perspective from A Non-Profit Organization in South Africa.**

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The goal of the research was to examine the barriers that social workers face regarding the reintegration of foster children with their family after they have been removed from their biological parents' care. Different literature was consulted to provide an understanding of the findings gathered by previous research. This research followed a qualitative approach whereby data was collected by having semi-structured interviews with seven social workers from a Non-Profit Organisation in Eastern Cape, South Africa. The result of the research showed the barriers that social workers face regarding the reintegration process. From the key finding it was gathered that social workers at the organization experienced several challenges to reintegrate children due to parents who did not cooperate or were deceased, leaving the children in the foster care system for longer periods of times than anticipated.