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Dear Mr. Feathers,

Please accept this letter as the Department's response to your Colorado Open Records Act inquiry with payment received in this office on **Aug 16, 2021**.

	You requested	Notes
1	"The predictive model report or comparable document explaining how the department's Eckerd Connect system calculates predicted risk scores	Here is a link to the study completed by CSU CSU Sustained Perm Project . Please note, we do not have the data any longer, as this project ended in March 2021.
2	If not already included in the predictive model report or comparable document, I also ask for documentation of how the different variables the model considers are weighted, i.e. which variables have the most influence on predicted risk scores.	The Department has no responsive documents to this portion of your request. Please note, this contract has ended and the Department no longer has access.



3	<p>Predictive risk score data from the department's Eckerd Connect system showing the number of children assigned to each level of risk, broken down in aggregate by the following child characteristics, for each year since the system was implemented, including 2021 to date (July 29, 2021)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Race - Gender - Disability - Race AND Gender - Race AND Disability - Gender AND Disability 	<p>Upon further research, the Department has determined that we have no responsive document to this portion of your request. The 0.5 hours were utilized to determine that raw data was submitted to the department's Eckerd Connect system, but the department did not have access to the proprietary algorithm that would generate the requested risk scores. The department cannot reliably replicate the requested risk scores.</p>
4	<p>Annual aggregate data since 2016, including 2021 to date (July 29, 2021), on the number of substantiated child abuse/neglect cases, broken down by the following child characteristics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Race - Gender - Disability - Race AND Gender - Race AND Disability - Gender AND Disability” 	<p>Please note, we can provide complete race and gender data, but disability data is not always entered in the electronic system. Please note, caseworkers have 60 days to close safety assessments, so there is a lag in reporting 2021 data.</p>

Please find responsive records in the attachment titled: *193-2021 2 Responsive Records*.

Sincerely,



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