#### DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

#### CHILDREN'S DIVISION

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What's Inside: Child Care Homes as Foster Homes

### JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI

February 3, 2014

MEMORANDUM

TO: REGIONAL EXECUTIVE STAFF, CIRCUIT MANAGERS, AND

CHILDREN'S DIVISION STAFF

FROM: TIM DECKER, DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: CHILD CARE HOMES AS FOSTER HOMES

# DISCUSSION:

The purpose of this memorandum is to introduce a policy revision which provides clarification regarding the process to be used when licensed or registered child care providers apply to be a licensed resource home for the Children's Division.

Protecting and ensuring the safety and well being of Missouri's children is the Children's Division's mission. Assisting an applicant's understanding with the Foster Family Home Licensing Rule, the Children's Division registered or contracted provider guidelines and the Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS), Section for Child Care Regulation (SCCR) provides the opportunity to avert conflicts with the policies for the registered child care providers, licensed child care providers and licensed resource homes.

#### **NECESSARY ACTION**

- 1. Review this memorandum with all Children's Division staff.
- 2. Review revised Child Welfare Manual chapters as indicated below.
- 3. All questions should be cleared through normal supervisory channels and directed to:

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# **CHILD WELFARE MANUAL REVISIONS**

Child Care Homes as Foster Homes, Section 6 Chapter 3, Subsection 4

FORMS AND INSTRUCTIONS N/A
REFERENCE DOCUMENTS AND RESOURCES N/A
RELATED STATUTE N/A
ADMINISTRATIVE RULE Foster Family Home Licensing Rule
COUNCIL ON ACCREDITATION (COA) STANDARDS N/A
CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES REVIEW (CFSR) N/A
PROTECTIVE FACTORS N/A
Parental Resilience
Social Connections Knowledge of Parenting and Child Development
Concrete Support in Times of Need Social and Emotional Competence of Children

N/A