DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

CHILDREN'S DIVISION

P. O. BOX 88

JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI

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MEMORANDUM

What's Inside:

Elevated Needs Level B Resource Parent Insurance

TO: REGIONAL EXECUTIVE STAFF, CIRCUIT MANAGERS, AND

CHILDREN'S DIVISION STAFF

FROM: CANDACE A. SHIVELY, DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: ELEVATED NEEDS LEVEL B RESOURCE PARENT

INSURANCE

DISCUSSION:

The purpose of this memorandum is to inform staff that a letter was sent in early September, 2012, from the Children's Division Central Office to Level B resource parents coded as CF in FACES regarding the provisions of statute, <u>210.539 RSMo</u>. The statute provides Level B resource parents who are eligible an opportunity to purchase health, dental, and vision insurance through Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan, MCHCP. The purchase of the insurance is at the resource parent's own expense.

The Children's Division, CD, provided to MCHCP the name and address of the Level B resource parents identified in FACES as of September 30, 2012. Each week MCHCP will be provided with an updated list.

Missouri Consolidated Health Care Plan has provided and will continue to provide information to those eligible resource parents regarding the enrollment process, plan options, wellness incentives, networks and premiums.

An information card, also called a push card, was developed by MCHCP for CD staff to give to all Level B resource parents. An initial supply of these cards was mailed to each circuit in early October, 2012. Additional cards may be requested by contacting Elizabeth. Tattershall@dss.mo.gov in the CD Central Office.

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

<u>Foster Care for Youth with Elevated Needs, Section 4 Chapter 14 Subsection 1</u> Children's Service Worker Responsibilities, Section 6 Chapter 3 Attachment M

FORMS AND INSTRUCTIONS

N/A

REFERENCE DOCUMENTS AND RESOURCES

House Bill 1576

RELATED STATUTE

210.539

ADMINISTRATIVE RULE

N/A

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

FACES REQUIREMENTS

N/A