

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

CHILDREN'S DIVISION

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What's Inside:

Update Behavioral foster Care (BFC) Incentive / Reinforcement Payments.

MEMORANDUM

TO: REGIONAL EXECUTIVE STAFF, CIRCUIT MANAGERS AND CHILDREN'S DIVISION STAFF

FROM: PAULA NEESE, DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: BEHAVIORAL FOSTER CARE (BFC) INCENTIVE / REINFORCEMENT PAYMENTS

DISCUSSION:

The purpose of this memorandum is to inform staff of changes made to the Child Welfare Manual regarding Behavioral Foster Care (BFC) Incentive/Reinforcement Payments. Section 4 Chapter 11 Attachment C.7 of the Child Welfare Manual, states the BFC provider may receive an amount equal to \$15.00 per week, but not to exceed \$60.00 per month for the completion of the weekly chart package and other required documentation. The manual has been updated to further clarify payment in this regard to include the following, "Should the BFC foster parent complete the chart package for a time increment less than one (seven day) week, payment will be prorated and equivalent in ratio to \$15.00 per week (e.g., \$2.14 per day)."

Staff should begin utilizing the use of a prorated payment standard as of the date of this memorandum.

NECESSARY ACTIONS:

1. Please review this memorandum with all Children's Division Staff.
2. All questions should be cleared through normal supervisory channels and directed to:

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CHILD WELFARE MANUAL REVISIONS:

Section 4 Chapter 11 Attachment C [Special Expenses Payment](#)