

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

CHILDREN'S DIVISION

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**What's Inside:**

Elevated  
Medical Foster  
Care Resource  
Home Capacity.

M E M O R A N D U M

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

FROM: CANDACE A. SHIVELY, DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: ELEVATED MEDICAL FOSTER CARE RESOURCE HOME CAPACITY

DISCUSSION:

The purpose of this memorandum is to inform staff that language in the Medical Foster Care policy has been clarified regarding capacity limitations.

Elevated Medical Needs placement types are restrictive in capacity as are all elevated needs resource homes. Elevated medical needs resource homes total capacity is four. Only two elevated needs placements may be placed in a home simultaneously.

**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**

[Medical Foster Care, Section 4 Chapter 15](#)

**FORMS AND INSTRUCTIONS**

N/A

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| <b>REFERENCE DOCUMENTS AND RESOURCES</b><br>N/A  |
| <b>RELATED STATUTE</b><br>N/A  |
| <b>ADMINISTRATIVE RULE</b><br>N/A  |
| <b>COUNCIL ON ACCREDITATION (COA) STANDARDS</b><br>N/A   |
| <b>CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES REVIEW (CFSR)</b><br>N/A  |
| <b>PROTECTIVE FACTORS</b><br>Parental Resilience<br>Social Connections<br><a href="#">Knowledge of Parenting and Child Development</a><br>Concrete Support in Times of Need<br>Social and Emotional Competence of Children |
| <b>FACES REQUIREMENTS</b><br>N/A   |