

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

CHILDREN'S DIVISION

P. O. BOX 88

JEFFERSON CITY, MISSOURI

March 18, 2011

What's Inside:
Transitional
Services for
Youth with
Elevated Needs
Level B.

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

SUBJECT: TRANSITIONAL SERVICES FOR YOUTH WITH ELEVATED NEEDS LEVEL B

DISCUSSION:

When the Career Foster Parent program for youth eligible for Individualized Care was introduced with memo CS93-27, September 30, 1993, the policy included provision for transitional payment to these resource providers when they provided services to the youth when they were not actually placed in the home. The term, Career Foster Parent, is now obsolete with memo CD10-08. The correct identifying term is Elevated Needs Level B.

Through the years, the interpretation of policy for the allowable transitional services payment was distorted to be that the resource home approved to provide Elevated Needs Level B foster care was eligible to receive the transition services payment if there was an available bed space in the home.

Memo CD11-01 was issued to explain the correct utilization of transitional services. To alleviate further confusion, the term, "availability", has been replaced in policy with the accurate term, "transitional services".

The payment code, AVAL, will remain unchanged at this time. AVAL is the payment code to use when completing a Payment Request for a Level B resource provider who has provided the transitional services as outlined in policy.

- 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:

PDS CONTACT Elizabeth Tattershall 573-522-1191 Elizabeth.Tattershall@dss.mo.gov	PROGRAM MANAGER Dena Driver 573-751-3171 Dena.D.Driver@dss.mo.gov
CHILD WELFARE MANUAL REVISIONS Financial Support Planning, Transitional Services Payments for Youth with Elevated Needs Resource Providers, Section 4 Chapter 11 Attachment I	
FORMS AND INSTRUCTIONS N/A	
REFERENCE DOCUMENTS AND RESOURCES N/A	
RELATED STATUTE N/A	
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	