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The Foster Care Agency/Provider Payment Handbook has recently been updated and is no longer available in print form. Please provide the web link to all foster parents to ensure both staff and foster parents have access to this valuable tool.

The Foster Care Agency/Provider Payment Handbook is a resource available on the DHS public site for all paid, non-county child care funded foster care providers. This handbook applies to both placement agency foster care (PAFC) providers and DHS foster homes. The handbook can be found in the Forms and Publications section of the DHS public site or at this link: www.michigan.gov/documents/FIA-Pub843_16406_7.pdf. This tool can also be used by foster care workers to better understand the payment process when assisting providers.

The payment schedule is also available in policy. RFS 205 is the Children's Foster Care Payment Schedule and RFS 206 is the Independent Living Payment Schedule. Both of these policy items are updated annually. Here is a sample of the schedule in policy and the handbook.

Billing Period		Invoice Received	Tentative Warrant
Begin	End	By Payment Control	Delivery
02/25/2013	03/10/2013	03/13/2013 03/20/2013	03/22/2013 03/29/2013
03/11/2013	03/24/2013	03/27/2013 04/03/2013	04/05/2013 04/12/2013
03/25/2013	04/07/2013	04/10/2013 04/17/2013	04/19/2013 04/26/2013
04/08/2013	04/21/2013	04/24/2013 05/01/2013	05/03/2013 05/10/2013
04/22/2013	05/05/2013	05/08/2013 05/15/2013	05/17/2013 05/24/2013