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A CSA Informational Memorandum issued on 6/18/12 announced a new project called the DHS Incentive Payment. The DHS Incentive Payment is designed to improve access and expand mental health services to Medicaid eligible children with a serious emotional disturbance in foster care or with an open CPS case, Category 1 and 2. At the time of the announcement, the Department of Community Health (DCH) had not received final approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to implement the DHS Incentive Payment.

On June 28, 2012, DCH received notice from CMS that the application for the DHS Incentive Payment was approved with an implementation date of July 1, 2012. Many DHS and private agency child welfare staff and local Community Mental Health staff participated in informational calls last month to learn more about the DHS Incentive Payment. Participants were encouraged to begin discussions to work out collaborative efforts in their communities. DCH and DHS will be providing additional information over the next few months regarding implementation. If your county office or private agency was unable to participate in one of the informational calls last month, you must send a single email address for your office or agency to Jackie Panich at DCH in order to receive additional information about the DHS Incentive Payment.