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CHILD PLACING AGENCY LETTER 2006-02

TO: Child Placing Agencies and Family Courts that Certify Foster Homes

SUBJECT:

Correction to CPA Letter 2006-01

- Timeframe to Update Foster Home Terms
- Correction OCAL 3706-Definitions of Service Types

EFFECTIVE DATE: Immediately

CHANGES IN FOSTER HOME LICENSING TERMS

Child Placing Agencies **providing services to Wayne County children** are encouraged to update the terms on their foster homes **before April 10, 2006**. Beginning, April 15, 2006, Wayne County Department of Human Services will rely on this information to make placement decisions.

Respirator Dependent Child has been changed to **Respiratory Needs Child** (foster child has a medical condition that affects breathing, such as asthma).

Sincerely,

James B. Gale, Director
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OCAL 3706-DEFINITIONS OF SERVICE TYPES

General Care – foster child requires no special care or intervention from the foster parents beyond age appropriate needs

Relative Only – foster child(ren) and foster parent(s) are related as defined in Act 116

Specific Child Only – foster parent(s) license is to care for specific foster child(ren) only

Intensive Care – foster child requires special care or intervention beyond age appropriate needs

Sex Offender – Child – foster child has a history of sexually perpetrating-adjudication for a sexual offense is not needed

Emergency Shelter Care – foster parents willing to care for foster child(ren) with little or no notice/information about the child(ren). The identification of a foster parent as available for emergency shelter does not negate the agency and foster parents' responsibility to be in compliance with foster home rules including capacity and borrowed bed rules, if applicable.

Child with Mental Health Diagnosis – foster child has been diagnosed by a professional licensed to diagnose mental illness

Sexually Abused Child - foster child has a history of having been a victim of sexual abuse

Physically Aggressive Child – foster child has a history of being physically aggressive with adults and/or children

Physically Handicapped Child – foster child has a physical handicap

Developmentally Disabled Child – foster child has been diagnosed by a licensed professional with a developmental disability

Bed Wetting Care – foster child wets the bed beyond age appropriate timeframes

Runaways – foster child has a history of truanting from home/placements

Medical Needs Child – foster child has routine medical needs beyond general care

Medically Fragile Child – foster child has a medical condition which could be life threatening

HIV/AIDS Child - foster child is infected with the HIV/AIDS virus

Fetal Alcohol Child – foster child was born with fetal alcohol syndrome

Pregnant Teen – foster child is pregnant

Delinquent, Status – foster child has been adjudicated delinquent for a status offense

Delinquent, Property – foster child has been adjudicated delinquent for crimes related to property

Delinquent, Person – foster child has been adjudicated delinquent for crimes against people

Short Term Substitute Care – foster parent(s) is/are willing to care for children for short lengths of time

Drug Addicted Child – foster child has an addiction to drugs or alcohol

Fire Setting Child – foster child has a history of setting fires

Give Injections – foster parent(s) is/are trained to be able to give injections to a foster child

Cross Racial – foster parent(s) expresses willingness to foster children of a different race and/or culture from their own

Special Education Child – foster child requires special education services

ADHD Child – foster child has been diagnosed with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder

Respiratory Needs Child – foster child has a medical condition that affects breathing, such as asthma

DCH Therapeutic Care – May only be licensed for a maximum capacity of 1 child and used by agencies under specific contract to the Department of Community Health.

Medication Administration – foster parent(s) is/are able to routinely administer medication to a foster child

Special Education Child- foster child has been classified as a special education student by the school district