

# NOTIFICATION OF CHANGES TO CHILD WELFARE MASTER CONTRACT(S)

(FY2018 Appropriation Bill - Public Act 107 of 2017)

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**Section 531:** *The department shall notify the house and senate appropriations subcommittees on the department budget, the house and senate fiscal agencies, and the house and senate policy offices of any changes to a child welfare master contract template, including the adoption master contract template, the independent living plus master contract template, the child placing agency foster care master contract template, and the residential foster care juvenile justice master contract template, not less than 30 days before the change takes effect.*



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The amended Residential Foster Care Short Term Assessment (RFCST) master contract has been posted to the MDHHS public website in the Master Contract Templates section at: [http://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-71551\\_7199---,00.html](http://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-71551_7199---,00.html).

Changes were made to the RFCST master contract. A revision was made to the Referral section to require a court order when a specific contracted abuse/neglect program is needed for an adjudicated delinquent child. Any exceptions to the identified bed capacity must be obtained through the Division of Child Welfare Licensing (DCWL) for all youth admitted above the number of contracted beds. Billing language has been changed to limit the number of years that MDHHS will honor a payment request for services provided. Identified staffing ratios have been removed to allow for adjustment to individual contracts. The Performance Outcome section has been revised. All percentage thresholds have been removed from each performance outcome. Minor administrative changes were also made.