

# In-Home and Out-of-Home Care Services and Adoption Services Automated Payment Process

(FY2016 Appropriation Act - Public Act 84 of 2015)

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**Sec. 533 (1).** *The department shall make payments to child placing facilities for in-home and out-of-home care services and adoption services within 30 days of receiving all necessary documentation from those agencies.*

**Sec. 533 (2).** *The department shall provide a report on the status of the implementation and operation of this section by February 15 of the current fiscal year.*



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Private agencies and child caring institutions have access to the Michigan Statewide Automated Child Welfare Information System (MiSACWIS) for payment of out-of-home care services. The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) continues to partner with private agencies to provide technical assistance, training and reports to system users to improve utilization of the financial aspects of MiSACWIS and ensure timely payment for services rendered.

Each agency is responsible for approving their payment roster before MDHHS can release a payment. Payments are released on the next payroll following the approval of the individual roster. Payments are issued within 14 days of approval of the payment roster by the agency.

Payments for adoption services are planned for implementation into MiSACWIS during FY 2016. The MDHHS will collaborate with the agencies to provide technical assistance and training components for a smooth transition with this implementation. Until that time, adoption services payment types are still paid through a process that requires manual submission of documentation from service providers and manual review and verification of the documentation by MDHHS staff.

Payment for trial reunification services are not planned for incorporation into MiSACWIS at this time. Currently these payments are processed manually once the agency submits appropriate document to the MDHHS. MDHHS completes a manual review to verify the amount requested and the eligibility of payment under this program. After any questions or discrepancies are resolved, payments are approved.