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Topic: Interstate Compact

Transmitting (check the box that best applies):

- New Policy
 Policy Change
 Policy Clarification
 Executive Letter
 Administrative Rule
 Manual Update
 Other: _____

Applies to (check all that apply):

- All DHS employees
 County Mental Health Directors
 Area Agencies on Aging
 Health Services
 Children, Adults and Families
 Seniors and People with Disabilities
 County DD Program Managers
 Other (please specify):

Policy/Rule Title:	Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children/ Financial and Medical Responsibility of Sending Agency		
Policy/Rule Number(s):	I-B.3.4.2/ 413-040-0240	Release No:	N/A
Effective Date:	3/15/2010	Expiration:	9/10/10
References:			
Web Address:	http://www.dhs.state.or.us/policy/childwelfare/manual_1/i-b342.pdf		

Discussion/Interpretation: These rules govern placement in another state for children in the Department’s custody. Prior rule directed that the Department would pay the receiving state’s foster care rate when placing a child in substitute care in another state. In conjunction with the foster care rate redesign, a temporary rule change has been implemented.

Under the new rule, foster care payment for all placements, including those in other states, is determined in accordance with Child Welfare Policy I-E.5.1, “Payment for Family Foster Care, Base Rate, Shelter Care, Enhanced Shelter Care, Level of Care, Chafee Housing and Independent Living Housing Subsidy.” This means that when the Department places a child in substitute care in another state, the Department now pays the Oregon base rate to the care provider. In addition, the Department also pays level of care if a CANS assessment determines that the child needs enhanced supervision.

Implementation/Transition Instructions: For any child being placed after 3/15/10, the payment rate will be the Oregon base rate plus any level of care which was assessed per CANS screening prior to the child leaving Oregon.

For children who already were placed out of state prior to 3/15/10, the following applies:

- If the Oregon base rate currently is being paid, no action is required.
- If the rate currently being paid is lower than the Oregon base rate, the rate needs to be changed to the Oregon base rate effective 3/15/10, and underpayments completed if applicable.
- A CANS referral should be made for any child who may need enhanced supervision. If the current rate being paid is higher than the Oregon base rate, then the new rate takes effect when the CANS screening is complete and the level of care, if applicable, has been determined.

Training/Communication Plan: ICPC training will include information about the new rule.

Local/Branch Action Required: Adjust payment rates as indicated above, process underpayments as needed, and submit CANS referrals on eligible cases.

Central Office Action Required: The Level of Care Unit will process referrals for CANS screenings. The ICPC Unit will convene a Rule Advisory Committee and schedule Policy Council Review of the revised administrative rule. The ICPC Unit will take steps to have a revised 1044 form (Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children Financial/ Medical Plan) posted on the DHS forms directory. Central Office staff will provide consultation and training as needed and requested.

Field/Stakeholder review: Yes No

If yes, reviewed by:

Filing Instructions:

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