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DEAR COUNTY DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL SERVICES

**ATTENTION: CHILD WELFARE SUPERVISORS
CHILD PLACEMENT STAFF**

SUBJECT: SFY 2006-2007 FACILITY RATES

The purpose of this letter is to provide you with information on the **Foster Care Maximization Program** and the list of **Facility Rates** for participating agencies for SFY 2006-2007.

The DHHS Controller's Office is responsible for establishing **Facility Rates** (i.e. cost-of-care rates) for agencies that participate in this program. In order to participate, agencies must comply with program requirements in North Carolina Administrative Code (10NCAC70D). The regulations in 10NCAC70D reflect federal regulations with which the DHHS Controller's Office, the Division of Social Services and agencies must comply in order for North Carolina to maintain this program. Private child-caring agencies must enter into a formal contract with the Division in order to receive reimbursements directly from the state.

Establishing **Facility Rates** allows North Carolina to claim additional federal IV-E and TEA foster care reimbursements for county DSS agencies and participating private child-caring agencies. Specifically, this program enables the state to receive federal IV-E and TEA reimbursement for foster care costs in excess of the standard board rate that are incurred on behalf of IV-E and certain TEA eligible children.

If the cost of a child's placement is in excess of the standard board rate, it is very important that county DSS staff ensure that the child-caring agency is participating in the current maximization program. If a county DSS determines that a potential placement resource for an eligible child does not have a **Facility Rate** established by the DHHS Controller's Office, the county DSS who places the minor will be responsible for

the portion of the cost of care in excess of the standard board rate. The facility or agency may contact Tina Bumgarner at (704) 462-2686 to determine if they meet the requirements and to request inclusion in the **Maximization Program**.

For child-caring facilities operated by county Departments of Social Services, federal IV-E and TEA maximization reimbursements are received directly by the county Department of Social Services. In such situations, the established monthly **Facility Rate** must be shown in Field 50 (Monthly Rate) of the DSS 5094 in order for the county DSS to receive the full maximization reimbursement.

According to federal and state regulations, foster care payment claims are not allowed to exceed the state-established Facility Rates. In addition, North Carolina Administrative Code includes a cost containment requirement in which the Child and Family Services Association of North Carolina recommends a cap or maximum facility rate for each type of care each year. Therefore, no **Facility Rate** established by the Division is allowed to exceed the maximum rate established, regardless of the facility's actual cost of care.

The monthly caps (allowable maximum facility rate) for each type of care for FY 2006-2007 are as follows:

Family Foster Care: Administration = 1823, Maintenance = 2009
Group Care = 6257
Institutional = 6427
Emergency = 6323
Therapeutic Camping = 4084

Agencies who qualify for IV-E maximization in one type of care, and begin offering an additional type of care during the SFY, will be authorized for the state average for that new type of care.

The state averages for each type of care for the 2006-2007 SFY are:

Family Foster Care: Administration = 1078, Maintenance = 1078
Group Care = 5109
Institutional = 5011
Emergency = 5237
Therapeutic Camping = 3795

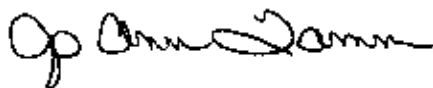
State Fund Agency members are indicated with an asterisk (*) on the enclosed list. These agencies are eligible for possible supplemental funds to assist with the foster care costs for non-IV-E children in placement with member agencies. Reimbursements are made based on the available funds, the agency's Facility Rate, and the foster care payment and resources reflected on a child's DSS 5094 form. Counties that pay in excess of the Standard Board Rate for children placed with these agencies should be able to realize some reduction in county costs for these placements.

As many agencies are aware, there is currently a Foster Care Rate Structure Work Group focused on the review and development of rates through a cost modeled process.

Although the rates expressed in this letter are not based on that cost model, progress is being made to bring about the change to a new methodology which has yet to be approved by the Administration of Children and Families.

If you have questions about this information, please refer to the Children's Services manual, Volume I: Chapter IV: Section 1203 or you may contact Tina Bumgarner at (704) 462-2686.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jo Ann Lamm". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

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2006 – 2007 State Established Facility Rates

DSS-FCFL Agency Code	State Fund Member	Agency Name	Service Type	MONTHLY MAINTENANCE	MONTHLY ADMIN	Monthly Total
ADT		Access Family Services	Family Foster	1,078	1,078	2,156
AAQ	★	Agape of North Carolina, Inc.	Family Foster	415	1,734	2,149
ABV	★	Alexander Youth Network	Family Foster	2,009	708	2,717
ABV	★	Alexander Youth Network	Institutional	6,427		6,427
ADF		Alliance Human Services, Inc.	Family Foster	1,480	1,823	3,303
ADG		Alpha Management Community Services, Inc.	Family Foster	1,078	1,078	2,156
AAO		Alternative Life Programs, Inc.	Family Foster	1,078	1,078	2,156
AAO		Alternative Life Programs, Inc.	Group	5,109		5,109
AAW	★	American Children's Home	Family Foster	614	890	1,504
AAW	★	American Children's Home	Institutional	6,427		6,427
AAV	★	Baptist Children's Home of NC	Emergency	4,318		4,318
AAV	★	Baptist Children's Home of NC	Group	3,955		3,955
AAV	★	Baptist Children's Home of NC	Institutional	4,715		4,715
AAV	★	Baptist Children's Home of NC	Therapeutic Camp	4,084		4,084
ABW	★	Barium Springs Home for Children	Family Foster	1,078	1,078	2,156
ABW	★	Barium Springs Home for Children	Institutional	6,427		6,427
ABQ	★	Bertie-Martin-Beaufort Shelter	Emergency	3,903		3,903
AAB		Bethany Christian Services	Family Foster	2,009	1,110	3,119
ABX	★	Boys & Girls Homes of NC, Inc.	Family Foster	482	562	1,044
ABX	★	Boys & Girls Homes of NC, Inc.	Institutional	4,020		4,020
ADM		Cardinal Therapeutic Homes Services	Family Foster	1,078	1,078	2,156
ADA		Caring Family Network (Youth Development Corp)	Family Foster	1,748	954	2,702
ADI	★	Caring for Children - AFI	Family Foster	1,424	1,584	3,008
ADI	★	Caring for Children - AFI	Intensive Family Foster	2,009	1,754	3,763
ABE	★	Caring for Children, Inc	Emergency	6,323		6,323
ABE	★	Caring for Children, Inc	Family Foster	983	1,263	2,246
ABE	★	Caring for Children, Inc	Group	4,692		4,692
ADE		Catawba County Department of Social Services	Group	6,257		6,257
ABZ	★	Central Children's Home of NC	Institutional	4,331		4,331
ABY	★	Cherokee Center for Family Services	Institutional	6,427		6,427
ACV		Children's Center of Surry, The	Group	4,690		4,690
ABU	★	Children's Home Inc, The	Family Foster	792	1,823	2,615
ABF	★	Children's Home of Cleveland County	Group	3,550		3,550
ABI	★	Children's Home Society of NC	Family Foster	538	1,164	1,702
AAN	★	Children's Homes of Iredell Co. Inc.	Group	3,979		3,979
ADN		Christine's Home	Group	5,109		5,109

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ACA		Church of God Children's Home, The	Institutional	3,500		3,500
AAM		Coastal Horizons Center	Emergency	6,323		6,323
AEB		Community Services for Children	Family Foster	1,078	1,078	2,156
ACB	★	Crossnore School	Institutional	5,588		5,588
		Cumberland County Department of Social Services	Group	6,189		6,189
ADJ		Easter Seals UCP NC, Inc.	Family Foster	1,868	1,014	2,882
AAD	★	Ebenezer Christian Children's Home	Group	3,316		3,316
AAA		Eckerd Youth Alternatives	Therapeutic Camp	3,504		3,504
AAV	★	Eliada Homes, Inc.	Family Foster	398	1,086	1,484
ABB	★	Elon Homes for Children	Family Foster	1,105	565	1,670
ABB	★	Elon Homes for Children	Institutional	4,834		4,834
ACC	★	Falcon Children's Home Inc.	Institutional	4,865		4,865
ACU		Family Emergency Teen Shelter, The	Emergency	6,323		6,323
ABG	★	Family Resources of Rutherford Cty	Emergency	5,102		5,102
ABT	★	Florence Crittenton Services	Institutional	3,994		3,994
ACW		Forward Care Management	Group	6,257		6,257
ACD	★	Free Will Baptist Children's Home	Emergency	2,994		2,994
ACD	★	Free Will Baptist Children's Home	Institutional	4,208		4,208
		Henderson County Office of Youth Programs	Group	6,257		6,257
ACY		Kidspace National Centers	Family Foster	1,130	1,602	2,732
AAK		Lee County Youth and Family Services	Emergency	4,967		4,967
AAE	★	Lifegains, Inc.	Family Foster	1,069	1,572	2,641
AAE	★	Lifegains, Inc.	Group	5,109		5,109
ADQ		Lighthouse Care Services/Nicole House	Group	2,367		2,367
ABR	★	Loray Girls Home Inc.	Group	6,257		6,257
AAT	★	Lutheran Family Services in the Carolinas	Emergency	5,924		5,924
AAT	★	Lutheran Family Services in the Carolinas	Family Foster	528	494	1,022
AAT	★	Lutheran Family Services in the Carolinas	Group	4,729		4,729
		McDowell County Department of Social Services	Emergency	2,727		2,727
ADV		Meridian Behavioral Health Services	Family Foster	1,078	1,078	2,156
AAX	★	Methodist Home for Children	Emergency	6,323		6,323
AAX	★	Methodist Home for Children	Family Foster	562	726	1,288
AAX	★	Methodist Home for Children	Group	6,257		6,257
ABL	★	Mountain Youth Resources	Emergency	5,662		5,662

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ACF	★	Nazareth Children's Home Inc.	Family Foster	568	995	1,563
ACF	★	Nazareth Children's Home Inc.	Institutional	4,661		4,661
ADP		New Horizons Comprehensive Youth & Family Services	Family Foster	1,078	1,078	2,156
ADZ		Omni Visions, Inc.	Family Foster	1,078	1,078	2,156
AAP		Onslow County Youth Services	Emergency	5,785		5,785
ACM	★	Phoenix Group Homes	Group	6,096		6,096
ABK	★	Presbyterian Home for Children, The	Institutional	4,744		4,744
AAJ		Quad Cty Group Homes (Serendipity House)	Group	3,524		3,524
ADR		Quality Assurance, Inc.	Family Foster	1,078	1,078	2,156
ADS		Quality Family Services, Inc.	Family Foster	1,078	1,078	2,156
ABJ	★	Rainbow Center, Inc.	Emergency	5,333		5,333
ABJ	★	Rainbow Center, Inc.	Group	5,918		5,918
ACI		Robeson House, Inc.	Emergency	3,470		3,470
ADB		Serenity Emergency Group Home	Group	2,552		2,552
ABA	★	Southmountain Children and Family Services	Family Foster	1,153	1,823	2,976
ACH		Specialized Children's Care, Inc.	Group	5,109		5,109
AEA		Therapeutic Support Services, Inc.	Family Foster	1,078	1,078	2,156
AAZ	★	Thompson Child and Family Focus	Family Foster	1,149	1,015	2,164
AAZ	★	Thompson Child and Family Focus	Group	6,257		6,257
AAZ	★	Thompson Child and Family Focus	Institutional	6,427		6,427
		Union County Department of Social Services	Emergency	3,719		3,719
ADU		Turning Point Homes, Inc.	Family Foster	1,078	1,078	2,156
ADW		Virtue, Inc.	Family Foster	1,078	1,078	2,156
		Wake County Human Services	Emergency	6,323		6,323
ABM		With Friends, Inc.	Emergency	6,244		6,244
ABH	★	Youth Focus	Emergency	6,323		6,323
ABH	★	Youth Focus	Family Foster	1,260	1,823	3,083
ABH	★	Youth Focus	Group	6,257		6,257
AAS	★	Youth Homes Inc.	Family Foster	1,229	1,323	2,552
AAS	★	Youth Homes Inc.	Group	6,158		6,158
AAF		Youth Network	Emergency	6,323		6,323
AAU	★	Youth Opportunities, Inc.	Emergency	5,569		5,569
AAU	★	Youth Opportunities, Inc.	Group	6,257		6,257
ABN	★	Youth Unlimited, Inc.	Family Foster	1,284	489	1,773
ABN	★	Youth Unlimited, Inc.	Group	5,741		5,741