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FROM:

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SUBJECT:

Child Victims of Sexual Exploitation (Children's Mental Health Wraparound

Services) Payment Documentation

PURPOSE: The purpose of this memorandum is to provide further clarification on the allowable use of the Children's Mental Health Wraparound (100806) funding for the treatment and/or services of a child who has been the victim or suspected victim of commercial sexual exploitation (CSEC). In addition, guidance is provided on the documentation of these direct payments for the treatment and/or services provided to a CSEC identified child in the Florida Safe Families Network (FSFN).

BACKGROUND: Children's Mental Health Wraparound (100806) funding is available to those CSEC identified children who meet this funding's eligibility criteria. However, the Department must be able to track and monitor costs associated for all CSEC identified children; therefore, a new Other Cost Accumulator (OCA), CSEC0, titled CBC-Child Victims of Sexual Exploitation-MH, has been created this fiscal year, along with a new FSFN Reporting Category, CSEC-Children's Mental Hlth Svcs-Case Plan, so that the services can be documented in FSFN.

Consistent with previous guidance on 100806 funding, services purchased with these funds must be identified in the mental health treatment plan or the service plan for the child as defined in s. 394.496, Florida Statute (F.S.), or the case plan for the child as described in ss. 39.6011 and 39.6012, F.S. The child who has been the victim or suspected victim of commercial sexual exploitation must be in out-of-home care or be at risk of placement into out-of-home care AND have a functional impairment which interferes with or limits the child's role or functioning in family, school, or community or would have met the functional impairment criteria during the referenced year had they not had services or supports provided. Use of this funding is not for room & board placement costs of a CSEC identified child, but for non-Medicaid reimbursable support

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services needed, which have been identified in the child's case plan or mental health treatment plan.

Tools to be utilized in the assessment of placement decisions, as referenced in s. 409.1678, F.S., for the sexually exploited child include:

- The Human Trafficking Screening Tool (HTST)
- The Level of Care Placement Tool

Eligible services include the following:

- Treatment and intervention for sexual assault
- Victim-witness counseling
- Behavioral health care
- Family counseling
- Life skills training
- Education tailored to the child's individual needs, including remedial education if necessary
- Mentoring by a survivor of sexual exploitation, if available and appropriate the child
- Substance abuse screening and, when necessary, access to treatment
- Planning services for the successful transition of each child back to the community
- Activities structured in a manner that provides sexually exploited children with a full schedule.

Note: There is no requirement that the identified placement be certified under s. 409.1678, F.S. Placement should be in response to the prioritized specific needs of the sexually exploited child. A child may receive the services above and still reside within the community or within his/her family home. Services are not limited to out-of-home care.

This reporting category captures the cost of services that will provide non-Medicaid reimbursable wraparound services to children, whom within the previous 12 months were sufficient to meet diagnostic criteria specified in the CD 0-3R, DSM-5 (including V-codes), or ICD-10 (including ICD-10 Z code) equivalent (or most recent edition). The following DSM-5 V codes and ICD-10 Z codes are excluded: V63.9 (Z75.3); V63.8 (Z75.4); V15.81 (Z91.19); 278.00 (E66.9); V65.2 (X76.5); V40.31 (Z91.83); and V62.89 (R41.83).

ACTION REQUIRED: Please share this information with appropriate staff members and begin using the new FSFN Reporting Category, CSEC-Children's Mental HIth Svcs-Case Plan, to record payments for treatment and/or services to child victims of human trafficking.

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Please note that this new "CSEC-Children's Mental HIth Svcs-Case Plan" FSFN Reporting Category, mapped to OCA CSEC0, is different from the already established "Children's Mental HIth Svcs-Case Plan" FSFN Reporting Category, mapped to OCA 19MCB. While both FSFN Reporting Categories are funded from Children's Mental Health Wraparound (100806) funding and intended for treatment and wraparound services; "CSEC-Children's Mental HIth Svcs-Case Plan" FSFN Reporting Category must only be used for CSEC identified children. As in the prior fiscal year, "Human Trafficking Placement and/or Services" FSFN Reporting Category, mapped to OCA SEC00, is State Funded and part of Family Safety & Preservations Services budget authority, and is intended for room & board and related services.

CONTACT INFORMATION: If you have questions regarding the implementation of this procedure, please contact Kimberly Grabert at (352) 303-1366 or via email: Kimberly.Grabert@myflfamilies.com. If you have questions regarding the FSFN Reporting Category, please contact Barney Ray at (850) 717-4700 or via email: Barney.Ray@myflfamilies.com.

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