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| LOCAL COMMISSIONERS MEMORANDUM |
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Transmittal No: 92 LCM-19

Date: February 5, 1992

Division: Family & Children
Services

TO: Local District Commissioners

SUBJECT: Local Social Services District Foster Boarding Home Payments

ATTACHMENTS: Attachment A, Foster Boarding Home Rate Schedule, is
available on-line

Department of Social Services Regulation 427.6(a) requires social services districts to establish a schedule of rates paid to foster family boarding homes for normal, special and exceptional foster care services and clothing replacement. Districts must annually submit this schedule to the Department. This regulation is referenced in the Program Manual Standards of Payment for Foster Care of Children, Chapter VIII, Section A, Page 1.

Please complete one copy of the attached Foster Boarding Home Rate Schedule and return it within two weeks to:

New York State Department of Social Services
Bureau of Resource Management
11th Floor, Section A
40 North Pearl Street
Albany, New York 12243

Attention: James Smith

If you have any questions, please call James Smith at 1-800-342-3715, extension 4-9420.

Joseph Semidei
Deputy Commissioner
Family & Children Services

ATTACHMENT A -

FOSTER BOARDING HOME RATE SCHEDULE

Please provide the following information:

1. District: _____

2. Monthly Payments to Foster Parents:

List the current monthly payments to foster parents who care for the categories of children indicated below.

Normal: Ages 0 - 5	\$_____
6 - 11	\$_____
12 and over	\$_____
Special level of care	\$_____
Exceptional level of care	\$_____

3. Annual Allowances for Clothing Replacement:

Ages 0 - 5	\$_____
6 - 11	\$_____
12 - 15	\$_____
16 and over	\$_____

4. Monthly Diaper Allowance:

Ages 0 - 3	\$_____
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5. Day Care and Babysitting:

If your district allows special payments to foster parents for day care and babysitting, please provide the following:

a) The average monthly payment to foster parents for day care/babysitting. \$_____

b) The average number of payments made each month. _____

6. Finder's Fee for New Foster Homes:

If your district pays a finder's fee to certified or approved foster parents who recruit new foster parents,

please provide the following:

a) The amount of the fee: \$_____

b) The average number of payments made each month: _____

7. The Effective Dates of the Foster Boarding Home Rates:

From Month/Year _____ to Month/Year _____

If these rates are changed before the next reporting date in January 1992, please notify the Department of the amounts of the revised rates and new effective dates.

8. Extraordinary Transportation Expenses:

Social services districts may make special payments for extraordinary transportation expenses not covered by the regular board and care allowance.

These include transportation provided by the foster parents for visits to voluntary agency staff and the child's natural parents. Also included are payments to the natural parents for travel in excess of fifty miles, the cost of public transportation when it is necessary for school attendance and other irregular transportation required by the agency or for agency approved reasons.

Does your district make special payments for these transportation costs? Yes _____ No _____

9. Name, Title and Telephone Number of the Person Who Completed This Schedule:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Telephone: (_____) _____