NORTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES BISMARCK, NORTH DAKOTA

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TO: Directors, County Social Services

Regional Supervisors of County Social Services

County Eligibility Specialists County Social Workers Tribal Social Services PATH of North Dakota

Division of Juvenile Services

FROM: Dean Sturn, Administrator, Foster Care Program

SUBJECT: PATH of North Dakota – Maintenance Payment Change

PROGRAMS: Foster Care Maintenance Payments, 623-05-20-35

Effective July 1, 2014, the foster care maintenance rates for children placed in a PATH home will change:

- A rate of \$105.03/day will be paid for <u>all</u> children who are receiving services through PATH therapeutic programs.
- A rate of \$64.30/day will be paid for <u>all</u> children in the PATH regular foster care (PATH provides case management) and step-down programs.
- The county age appropriate foster care rate (flow through rate) will be paid in situations where siblings are placed in the same PATH foster home and one of the siblings does not need a therapeutic level of care and PATH is not providing case management services to that youth. It will also be paid in the case of a minor parent/infant placement.

PATH billing statements will reflect the above changes. Payments to PATH should not be authorized unless you have a billing statement for the appropriate month.

A group/therapeutic approval is still required for any PATH placement. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Deb Petry at (701)328-3581, or Deb Lachenmeier at (701)328-1710. Thank you.