

**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, 2013, the foster care maintenance rates for children placed in a PATH home will change:

- A rate of \$100.99/day will be paid for all children who are receiving services through PATH therapeutic programs.
- A rate of \$61.83/day will be paid for all 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.