

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

CHILDREN'S DIVISION

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MEMORANDUM**What's Inside:**Retaining Missouri
Medicaid for Out Of
State Placements

TO: REGIONAL EXECUTIVE STAFF, CIRCUIT MANAGERS, AND
CHILDREN'S DIVISION STAFF

FROM: CANDACE SHIVELY, DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: RETAINING MISSOURI MEDICAID FOR OUT OF STATE
PLACEMENTS

DISCUSSION:

The purpose of this memo is to inform staff of new functionality in FACES which will allow children in Children's Division (CD) custody, adoption or guardianship status the option to retain Missouri (MO) Medicaid, if appropriate, when residing out of state.

Currently, when a child with an active Alternative Care function in FACES is placed out of state the Title XIX episode is closed. Certain circumstances have been identified in which it is appropriate for a child to retain MO Medicaid while being placed out of state.

Effective Wednesday, February 22, 2012, when a child's residence county changes to "999-Out of State" the current Title XIX period will be closed. Staff will receive an informational message informing them that they have the option to retain the MO Medicaid. If it is in the best interest of the child to retain MO Medicaid while residing out of state, staff must contact either the ICPC Unit or the CD MO HealthNet Liaison in Central Office to make a request. A new checkbox, "Out of State Medicaid Override", will now be available in the Title XIX Information section on the Alternative Care Information screen. This new checkbox will only be available to the Central Office groups indicated previously. If a request to retain MO Medicaid for an out of state child is approved, Central Office staff will be responsible for marking this new checkbox in FACES. This will create a new Title XIX period. The begin date of the new period will be the date the box is checked. Therefore, it is imperative that if staff desire to retain MO Medicaid for a child who is out of state, they should contact Central Office as soon as possible to prevent a gap in coverage.

Central Office staff has already identified a current list of out of state children who lost their MO Medicaid coverage with the recent changes outlined in memo CD12-05. ITSD will automatically restore the MO Medicaid for these specific children and the Out of State checkbox will be marked. So staff need not take action on any out of state children who lost their MO Medicaid coverage.

NECESSARY ACTION:

1. Review this memorandum with all Children's Division staff.
2. All questions should be cleared through normal supervisory channels and directed to:

PDS CONTACT:

FACES Help Desk
1-800-392-8725, option #3

PROGRAM MANAGER:

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CHILD WELFARE MANUAL REVISIONS:

N/A

FORMS AND INSTRUCTIONS

N/A

REFERENCE DOCUMENTS AND RESOURCES

N/A

RELATED STATUTE

N/A

ADMINISTRATIVE RULE

N/A

COUNCIL ON ACCREDITATION (COA) STANDARDS

N/A

CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES REVIEW (CFSR)

N/A

PROTECTIVE FACTORS

N/A

FACES REQUIREMENTS

As outlined in the memo