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Practice Alert

SMAS FOR YOUTH WITH ELEVATED NEEDS-LEVEL A MAINTENANCE

This is a reminder that a child in an adoptive or guardianship placement must meet the criteria set forth in the same manner as a child in alternative care. The worker shall arrange a team meeting and obtain the required documentation according to policy for children in care.

When children are approved for a Youth with Elevated Needs-Level A maintenance rate to meet their special needs, the adoptive parent(s)/guardian(s) are required to attend Level A 18 hour Behavioral Modification training. Training must be completed prior to payment of the above standard rate. No back payments to the date of placement will be approved.

If a subsidy is sent prior to the completion of the training, it will be held in Central Office until the training has been completed and it is entered into the FACES system.

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