

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

CHILDREN'S DIVISION

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M E M O R A N D U M

TO: CHILDREN'S DIVISION AND CONTRACTED STAFF

FROM: DARRELL MISSEY, DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: Resource Development Training Changes

DISCUSSION:

The purpose of this memorandum is to introduce the Missouri Caregiver and Adoption Resource Education (MO C.A.R.E.) curriculum as the statewide pre-service training for foster and adoptive parents. The MO C.A.R.E curriculum is the culmination of Missouri's participation in a five-year pilot with the National Training and Development Curriculum (NTDC). The curriculum combines Missouri specific information and required trainings with content adapted from NTDC for Foster and Adoptive Parents. NTDC was funded through a Cooperative Agreement with the Children's Bureau, Administration on Children, Youth and Families, and the US Department of Health and Human Services. The full NTDC curriculum may be found at www.ntdcportal.org.

The Child Welfare Manual Section 6, Chapter 2 has been revised to reflect the following changes:

- Removal of duplicative information;
- Overview of the new MO C.A.R.E curriculum;
- Updated Foster Parent Competencies;
- Clarification regarding CPR/First Aid requirements and procedure;
- Revision of In-Service training requirements and approved curriculums; and
- Introduction of the Statewide Curriculum Review Team.

The Statewide Curriculum Review Team (SCRT) was formed to develop a curriculum based off of the NTDC data that was a good fit for Missouri. They created MO C.A.R.E. and are tasked with the fidelity of the program. Any changes to the new curriculum will have to go through the SCRT workgroup. There is a new form for those who wish to propose changes to MO C.A.R.E. It is called the Statewide Curriculum Review Team Change Request Form (CD-324) and will be available on e-forms.

The MO C.A.R.E. curriculum and training materials will be available on the Children's Division Intranet page for [Resource Development - Childrens Division \(mo.gov\)](http://Resource Development - Childrens Division (mo.gov)). When an applicant completes MO C.A.R.E. please track in FACES with the code V080 for 26

hours. Although the psychotropic training (V013) for informed consent (V150) are embedded into the pre-service curriculum, you still must enter those codes into FACES due to the settlement requirements (they are 2 hours each).

Participant manuals will continue to be printed and available through the warehouse and may be ordered by emailing cd.profdevelopment@dss.mo.gov.

Spaulding and Relative trainings are currently being revised so those processes remain the same for now.

We encourage conversation between local CDs and your core FST members (JOs, GALs, etc.) to let them know about the new curriculum.

NECESSARY ACTION <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Review this memorandum with all Children’s Division staff.2. Review revised Child Welfare Manual chapters as indicated below.3. All questions should be cleared through normal supervisory channels and directed to:	
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CHILD WELFARE MANUAL REVISIONS Section 6, Resource Development, Chapter 2 (Training) – DSS Manuals (mo.gov)	
REFERENCE DOCUMENTS AND RESOURCES CD-100 , CD-324 , CM-14	
RELATED STATUTE (List or put N/A if not applicable.)	