

CHANGE NOTICE FOR MANUAL

CHANGE NUMBER 05-2013

DATE: JUNE 15, 2013

MANUAL: CHILD WELFARE SERVICES MANUAL. TIME-LIMITED FAMILY REUNIFICATION SERVICES

TO: DIRECTORS OF COUNTY CHILD WELFARE AGENCIES

ATTENTION: CHILD WELFARE STAFF AND ATTORNEYS

RE: REVISION OF TIME-LIMITED FAMILY REUNIFICATION SERVICES POLICY

EFFECTIVE: JULY 1, 2013

I. BACKGROUND | CHANGE INTENT

Policy for the Intensive Family Reunification Services program was last updated in March 2009. Revisions have been made to reflect several changes needed as a result of the shift from private providers to the local public Child Welfare agencies. Prior to June 30, 2013, these services have been provided by private agencies. As of July 1, 2013, funding will be distributed directly to all public child welfare agencies. Client eligibility and allowable activities will be determined by Federal requirements.

II. SPECIFIC CHANGES

- The program name will be known as “Time-Limited Family Reunification Services”.
- The following sections of policy have been removed:
 - II. D. Key Elements of Design;
 - III. C. Referral Sources;
 - III. E. Reunification Forms;
 - III. F. Staff Qualifications;
 - III. G. Training;
 - III. H. Contractor Responsibilities and
 - IV. Program Reporting, Evaluating and Monitoring.
- Revisions have been made for record-keeping and documentation.

III. INSTRUCTIONS

Please note the above changes to Time-Limited Family Reunification Services program and begin using the revised manual as of July 1, 2013.

The Division's Performance Management/Reporting and Evaluation Management Section will be releasing a Change Notice detailing the updated SIS service and program codes available. That Change Notice number is CN-SIS-02-2013 and when it is released, it will be accessible at <http://info.dhhs.state.nc.us/olm/manuals/dss/rim-01/chg/>.

Questions related to the Time-Limited Family Reunification Services program should be directed to Michelle Reines in the Community-Based Programs Office at michelle.reines@dhhs.nc.gov

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| CHAPTER 2: INTENSIVE FAMILY REUNIFICATION SERVICES (CHANGE 05-2009) | TIME-LIMITED FAMILY REUNIFICATION SERVICES PROGRAM (CHANGE 05-2013) |

Sincerely,



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