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To:	Local District Commissioners
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Subject:	Per Diem Chargeback Rates for OCFS Operated Facilities and Programs – Final Calendar Year (CY) 2000 Rates for January 1, 2000, through December 31, 2000
Contact Person(s):	See Section IV. Other
Attachments:	A – Final CY2000 Per Diem Chargeback Rates B – Final CY2000 “ADJUSTMENT” Per Diem Chargeback Rates C – Final CY2000 Levels of Care and Facilities
Attachments Available On – Line:	The attachments, as well as the LCM, are available on the Rate Setting page of the OCFS Website, which can be accessed at the following address: Link to Internet Site: http://www.ocfs.state.ny.us/main/rates/

I. Purpose

The purpose of this Local Commissioners Memorandum (LCM) is to issue Final Calendar Year (CY) 2000 Per Diem Chargeback Rates for care provided to youth placed in facilities operated by the Office of Children and Family Services (OCFS). These final rates are based on CY2000 actual expenditures for the cost of care provided to youth in such facilities directly operated by OCFS, net of the available funding from Federal sources for such programs. Federal claims at the applicable final rates for eligible youth for CY2000 will be submitted to the Federal government for reimbursement to OCFS.

II. Background

Per Diem Chargeback Rates for OCFS facilities are used for billing the care provided to youth placed in residential facilities directly operated by OCFS. Rates used for such billing purposes are initially calculated and billed as “interim rates” subject to a reconciliation of the actual expenditures for each base period. Local social services districts are required to make payments based on interim rates, which are charged to them on a quarterly basis in the OCFS quarterly cost-of-care bills.

When “final rates” are determined for each level of care for a prior period, such rates are calculated using a methodology approved by the State’s Division of the Budget and certified in accordance with Section 529 of the Executive Law. Bills that reconcile the differences between interim and final rates for prior periods are issued to local social services districts for care provided to youth for which they are responsible.

III. Program Implications

Final CY2000 Per Diem Chargeback Rates specified in Attachment A of this LCM have been approved by the State’s Division of the Budget and certified in accordance with Section 529 of the Executive Law. These rates will be used to bill for the differences between the interim and final rates for youth placed in applicable OCFS facilities during the period of January 1, 2000, through December 31, 2000. For such CY2000 reconciliation bills, each fiscally responsible local district will receive a set of three reports that are separate and distinct from the regular quarterly cost-of-care bills. Those reports will be labeled as follows:

- š One report will re-present the quarterly bills for CY2000 based on interim rates and applicable care days (labeled “OLD”). This report will reflect previous billings at interim rates.
- š A second report will re-present the quarterly bills for CY2000 based on final rates and applicable care days (labeled “NEW”). This report will reflect previous billings at final rates.
- š A third report will present the reconciled differences between the “OLD” and the “NEW” reports as it relates to the changes from interim to final rates (labeled “ADJ”). Attachment B specifies the differences between interim and final rates (referred to as “ADJUSTMENT” Rates), which will be reflected in the bills labeled “ADJ.”
 - o **Local districts will be required to pay the “ADJ” bills once they are issued.**

Quarterly billings for periods subsequent to CY2000 will continue to reflect existing interim rates. Efforts are being made to catch up the process of finalizing rates for those periods. OCFS will communicate the final rates determined for each prior period, and specify the “ADJUSTMENT” rates for each period, in subsequent LCMs. The issuance of “ADJ” bills for prior periods not yet finalized will follow the issuance of an LCM for each of those periods.

IV. Other

Contacts for questions about the issues related to this LCM are as follows:

For questions concerning rate-related issues, please contact Daniel Zeidman, OCFS Rate Setting, at (518) 474-1384; or by e-mail through Outlook or Exchange; or through the Internet: Daniel.Zeidman@ocfs.state.ny.us

For placement-related questions about specific youth, please contact Ralph Morano of the Bureau of Classification and Movement at (518) 486-4642; or by e-mail through Outlook or Exchange; or through the Internet: Ralph.Morano@ocfs.state.ny.us

For payment questions, please contact Mark Sullivan of the Bureau of Financial Operations at (518) 486-6973; or by e-mail through Outlook or Exchange; or through the Internet: Mark.Sullivan@ocfs.state.ny.us

Bills will be issued according to the usual procedures for chargeback billing, which means that payments or correspondence about bills should be directed as follows:

NYS Office of Children and Family Services
Care and Maintenance Claims Unit
Capital View Office Park
52 Washington Street
Rensselaer, New York 12144-2375

Copies of this LCM should be shared with accounting supervisors and other staff associated with these programs.

s/s Susan A. Costello

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Attachment A

**Final Calendar Year 2000
Section 529 Per Diem Chargeback Rates**

Level	Program	Per Diem Rates
1	Secure Residential Services	262.69
2	Limited Secure Residential Services	223.15
3	Non-Community Based Residential Services	234.51
4	Community Residential Homes	209.31
5	Family Foster Care	62.41
6	Evening Reporting Centers	104.28

**Final Calendar Year 2000
Title IV-E* Per Diem Chargeback Rates**

Level	Program	Title IV-E Per Diem Rates
3	Non-Community Based Residential Services	215.40
4	Community Residential Homes	208.08
5	Family Foster Care	67.67

* Where a child has been determined to be Title IV-E eligible, the Title IV-E per diems are used in the billing procedure to determine a federal share for each payment line for such a child.

**“ADJUSTMENT” Rates
Final Calendar Year 2000
Section 529 Per Diem Chargeback Rates**

Level	Program	Per Diem Rates
1	Secure Residential Services	18.65
2	Limited Secure Residential Services	26.79
3	Non-Community Based Residential Services	32.40
4	Community Residential Homes	33.21
5	Family Foster Care	8.44
6	Evening Reporting Centers	1.62

**“ADJUSTMENT” Rates
Final Calendar Year 2000
Title IV-E* Per Diem Chargeback Rates**

Level	Program	Title IV-E Per Diem Rates
3	Non-Community Based Residential Services	32.39
4	Community Residential Homes	39.01
5	Family Foster Care	14.05

* Where a child has been determined to be Title IV-E eligible, the Title IV-E per diems are used in the billing procedure to determine a federal share for each payment line for such a child.

Attachment C

Final Calendar Year 2000 Levels of Care and Facilities

Secure Residential Services			
Brookwood	Harlem Valley	MacCormick	Tryon Girls

Limited Secure Residential Services			
Columbia*	Goshen**	Gossett	Highland
Industry School	Lansing	McQueen	Oatka
Pyramid Reception	Pyramid Transition	Taberg	Tryon Boys
Tryon Reception	Youth Leadership Academy		

Non-Community-Based Residential Services			
Adirondack Residential	Adirondack Wilderness	Allen	Annsville
Auburn	Brace	Brentwood	Bronx
Brooklyn	Cass	Cattaraugus	Great Valley
Harriet Tubman (Cayuga)	Middletown	Red Hook	Staten Island Residential
Tryon Girls			

Community Residential Homes			
Albany	Brooklyn	Buffalo	Buffalo-Courtland
Gloversville	Long Island	Rochester	Schenectady
Staten Island	Syracuse-E. Genesee	Syracuse-Salina	Westchester

Family Foster Care

Evening Reporting Centers			
Bronx-Given	Bronx-Wilder	Brooklyn	Rochester

* Became a limited secure facility on 6/8/00

** Became a limited secure facility on 5/1/99