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| LOCAL COMMISSIONERS MEMORANDUM |
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Transmittal No: 96 LCM-69

Date: August 9, 1996

Division: Services & Community

Development

TO: Local District Commissioners

SUBJECT: Maximum State Aid Rates (MSARs) for Foster Children Placed in Facilities Certified by the Office of Alcohol and Substance

Abuse Services (OASAS)

ATTACHMENTS: A - Programs certified by OASAS and their foster care per diem rates

B - Programs certified by OASAS and paid for by Medicaid

(A and B are available on-line)

This is to inform you of the MSARs approved by the State Division of the Budget (DOB) for programs certified by OASAS. As was described in 92 LCM - 8, this allows you to receive reimbursement for foster children (including JD/PINS) placed in these facilities.

The Division for Youth has issued a decision that the costs for JD/PINS placed in these facilities are not eligible for reimbursement through that agency. You can claim reimbursement for JD/PINS under the block grant on the Schedule K, not on the JD/PINS lines. You can claim reimbursement for non-JD/PINS foster children in the same way you claim for other foster children.

The rates for OASAS programs have been approved for 1994 and 1995. In the case of Pahl House, a revised rate was approved for 1993. The rates are in effect from January through December of each year and are shown on Attachment A. The rates for 1995 will remain in effect until OASAS receives approval for its 1996 rates. Foster children placed in these facilities will need to have a Medicaid card issued.

Attachment B contains a list of six other OASAS certified residential chemical dependency programs for youth. They are funded through Medicaid. Local districts should not be directly billed by these programs and they should not claim these costs as foster care.

System Instructions: Local departments of social services which place children in OASAS facilities should follow these procedures for WMS and CCRS.

- Each child who is in the local commissioner's custody and is to be placed in foster care under the MOU should be included in a WMS Services case (case type 40) and be authorized as the Direct Service of Foster Care (08). No POS line for room and board payments can be entered at this time since the required system changes are still pending. Manual payments and claiming adjustments are required. For a child already in foster care, in WMS end POS to the previous placement. In CCRS, enter a M950, Child Begins Absence, with a reason for a temporary foster care transfer.
- The child is to be tracked in CCRS and all Assessment Service Plans and Legal activity reporting are to be completed in the usual manner. Movement activities cannot be entered at this time.
- o An MA only case will have to be authorized to provide medical coverage where appropriate.
- Systems instructions will be updated when an Agency Code is assigned to OASAS and when individual facility numbers are available. At that time, both the POS line and the Connections activities will be allowed.

If you have any system questions, direct them to the Bureau of Services Information Systems at 1-800-342-3727.

If you have any other questions regarding this matter, please contact Mr. Joseph Della Rocca, Bureau of Resource Management at 1-800-342-3009, extension 3-1496 or (518) 473-1496, (User ID AX4520).

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Division of Services and
Community Development

Office of Alcoholism and Substance Abuse Services Rate Setting and Analysis

List of Long Term Certified Residential Chemical Dependency Programs for Youth - Eligible for Foster Care Payments

Per Diem Rates

			1993	1994	1995
1.	Program Name: Address:	Hill House 1 Hope Lane Albany, NY 12212		\$121.70	\$125.23
	Contract:	Mr. Glen Nicols			
	Phone:	(518) 452-0001			
2.	Program Name:	St. Joseph's Villa 3300 Dewey Avenue Rochester, NY 14616		\$108.34	\$111.47
	Contact:	Mr. Stephen Hanson			
	Phone:	(716) 865-1550			
3.	Program Name: Address:	PAHL House 106-108 9th Street Troy, NY 12180	\$77.49	\$79.81	\$82.12
	Contact:	Mr. John Penzer			
	Phone:	(518) 272-9206			
4.	Program Name: Address:	P.R.C.D., Inc.2654 Ridgeway Avenue Rochester, NY 14526		\$95.49	\$98.26
	Contact:	Mr. Glen Palmer			
	Phone:	(716) 723-7350			

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List of Certified Short-Term Residential Chemical Dependency Programs for Youth - Eligible for Medicaid Payments

1. Program Name: Arms Acres

Address: Seminary Hill Road Carmel, NY 10512

Contact: Deborah Gatins

Phone: (914) 225-3400

2. Program Name: Commonwealth Place
 Address: 6010 East Molloy Road

Syracuse, NY 13211

Contact: Thomas Murphy

Phone: (315) 434-2470

3. Program Name: Conifer Park

Address: 150 Glenridge Road

Scotia, NY 12302

Contact: Gail Harkness

Phone: (518) 399-6446

4. Program Name: Park Ridge Hospital Address: 1565 Long Pond Road

Rochester, NY 14626

Contact: Terry Wolff

Phone: (716) 454-1150

5. Program Name: Renaissance House Address: 920 Harlem Road

West Seneca, NY 14224

Contact: Eleanor Martinez

Phone: (716) 854-2977

6. Program Name: Rose Hill

Address: P.O. Box 637 - 2 Elizabeth Drive

Massena, NY 13662

Contact: Joan Kilroy

Phone: (315) 764-9700