

July 27, 2005

Dear Foster Parent:

Once again we are looking to you for assistance. The department's social caseworkers and probation counselors are spending considerable amounts of time transporting children in their caseloads to a variety of appointments. In effort to afford some relief to workers we are requesting that foster parents, whenever feasible, transport children in their care to and from medical, dental, vision, counseling and mental health appointments, and visitation as authorized.

We realize that you may already be assisting with transportation and that is very much appreciated. If you do not currently provide transportation but feel you can do so this may provide tremendous assistance to workers.

The Department will offer some financial support for your assumption of your added responsibilities. If you are willing and able to help out in this matter we would ask that no later than the 20th date of the month following the transports you complete the enclosed form and forward to Management and Budget, Department of Children, Youth and Families, Management and Budget, Attn: Business Office-4th floor, 101 Friendship Street, Providence, RI 02903. The Department will then process payment to you in the amount of \$20.00 Dollars for each round trip transport provided in the month.

We would like to begin this process effective September 15, 2005. Any assistance that you are able to provide will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Thomas M. Bohan
Executive Director

Enclosure

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