Required application/update for Title IV-D (child support) services and referrals to Title IV-A (public assistance); healthchek; third party insurance; and supplemental security income (SSI).

- (A) The Title IV-E agency as defined in rule 5101:2-1-01 of the Administrative Code shall:
 - (1) Complete a referral for Title IV-D child support in the statewide automated child welfare information system (SACWIS) within sixty days from the date the child entered foster care the JFS 01435 "Title IV-E agency application/update for child support services" (rev. 4/2006) for all Title IV-E foster care maintenance (FCM) eligible children, except where parental rights have been terminated by court order or permanent surrender.
 - The Title IV-E agency may also make an application for FCM non-eligible children.
 - (2) Assign child support rights to the Ohio department of job and family services (ODJFS) for Title IV-E FCM children through <u>SACWIS</u> the JFS 01435 within thirty business days of the date <u>of</u> the <u>referral</u> Title IV-E agency obtains legal responsibility for the care and placement of the child.
 - (a) Assignment of child support shall will be effective the first day of the calendar month following the in which all Title IV-E eligibility effective date or the first of the month following the Ohio works first (OWF) assignment termination should the newly determined Title IV-E child be removed from the OWF assigned home eriteria are met.
 - (b) Assignment of child support will terminate the last day of the calendar month when Title IV-E agency in which the agency's temporary custody of the child is terminated.
 - (3) Send any court orders and other verifications available with the JFS 01435 to the Title IV-D agency as defined in rule 5101:12-1-01 of the Administrative Code in the county in which the child was removed from the home.
 - (4) Send an updated JFS 01435 and any court orders upon verification of any changes in the circumstances of the child or parent(s).
 - (4) Determine good cause circumstances where it is in the best interest of the child not to send a referral to the Title IV-D agency for child support. Good cause circumstances shall be documented in SACWIS and include but are not limited to the following:

(a) The parent(s) would be unable to comply with the permanency plan of reunification due to the financial hardship caused by paying child support.

- (b) The child is expected to be in foster care for no more but less than sixty days.
- (c) The noncustodial parent is a potential resource.
- (d) Other appropriate circumstances determined by the Title IV-E agency.
- (B) The Title IV-D agency shall:
 - (1) Determine the county with the administrative responsibility for the child support order and forward the JFS 01435 to the Title IV-D agency with the administrative responsibility.
 - (2)(1) Pursue and establish paternity, court orders, or enforce existing orders.
 - (3)(2) Assist the Title IV-E agency in securing support payments and medical support from the parent(s) on behalf of the child.
 - (4) All child support payments shall be collected and disbursed by the office of child support within the Ohio department of job and family services through the child support payment central (CSPC) process.
 - (5) If the Title IV-E eligible child was a recipient of Ohio works first prior to entry into substitute care, then a new assignment of support rights is needed.
 - (3) Collect and disburse all child support payments through the child support payment central (CSPC) process.
- (C) The Title IV-E agency in receipt of child support payments on behalf of a child in their custody shall use the Title IV-D payment to support the child's cost of care.

 Any excess Title IV-D payments remaining at the child's custody termination shall follow the child.
- (C)(D) The Title IV-E agency must complete in SACWIS provide written notification to the county department of job and family services (CDJFS) Title IV-A agency or unit in the client registry information system enhanced (CRIS-E)/Ohio integrated eligibility system (OIES) within ten business days of a child entering legal responsibility.
- (D)(E) The CDJFS Title IV-A worker is responsible for furnishing information pertinent

to eligibility that may be available in existing Title IV-A records in the <u>CRIS-E/OIES</u>, no later than ten business days after receipt of a written request by the Title IV-E agency.

(E)(F) The Title IV-E agency is responsible for completing the JFS 03528 "Healthchek and Pregnancy Related Services services Information information Sheet sheet" (rev. 3/2014) (rev. 5/2011) for each Title IV-E FCM eligible child pursuant to rule 5101:2-42-66.1 of the Administrative Code.

(F)(G) The Title IV-E agency shall:

- (1) Attempt to determine if the parent(s), guardian, or custodian has health care insurance coverage available to every Title IV-E FCM eligible child. If such insurance coverage is available, the Title IV-E agency must complete the JFS 06612 "Health Insurance Information Sheet" (rev. 5/2001) (rev. 6/2009).
- (2) Complete the JFS 06613 "Accident/Injury Insurance Information Form" (rev. 6/2009) (rev. 7/2003) for every Title IV-E FCM eligible child who is involved in an accident where there may be third party liability.
- (3) Consider making application to the regional office of the social security administration (SSA) for supplemental security income (SSI) benefits for every child. The Title IV-E agency may receive Title IV-E FCM reimbursements and SSI benefits concurrently pursuant to rule 5101:2-47-12 of the Administrative Code.

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