

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STAFF MEMORANDUM

Memo No. 5

TO: MEMBERS OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON CHILD WELFARE PROVIDER RATE

IMPLEMENTATION

FROM: Laura D. Rose, Deputy Director

RE: Documents Relating to Child Welfare Provider Rate Implementation

DATE: December 10, 2009

Enclosed with this Memo are four items.

The first item is a document which was prepared by Dondieneita Fleary-Simmons, of the Department of Children and Families. Ms. Fleary-Simmons will be appearing at the December 17, 2009 meeting of the Special Committee. This document sets forth a proposed plan for the next year to implement child welfare provider rate regulation as required in 2009 Wisconsin Act 28. The document sets forth action steps and a timeline, and requests feedback from the Special Committee at each step.

The second item is a document was prepared by Special Committee Public Member Linda Hall and is distributed at her request. This document outlines a proposal for a four-year vision to implement performance-based contracting in the child welfare provider system. In addition, it outlines principals for consideration when implementing child welfare provider rate regulation. Finally, it contains proposals for legislation, and additional issues for further legislative action or study.

The third and fourth items are also distributed at the request of Public Member Linda Hall. They are a letter and attachment with information prepared by Monica Oss, a consultant to the Wisconsin Association of Family and Children's Agencies, on child welfare financing models.

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Enclosures