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December 9, 2020

Brandon Hannah
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129 E. Third
Flint, MI 48502

RE: License #: CB250201108
Investigation #: 2021C0420002
Ennis Center For Children - Flint

Dear Mr. Hannah:

Attached is the Special Investigation Report for the above referenced facility. Due to the violations identified in the report, a written corrective action plan is required. The corrective action plan is due 15 days from the date of this letter and must include the following:

- How compliance with each rule will be achieved.
- Who is directly responsible for implementing the corrective action for each violation.
- Specific time frames for each violation as to when the correction will be completed or implemented.
- **An explanation why previous corrective action plans have not obtained and maintained compliance for rules found in repeat noncompliance.**
- How continuing compliance will be maintained once compliance is achieved.
- The signature of the responsible party and a date.

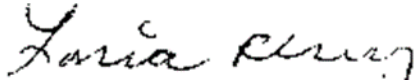
If you desire technical assistance in addressing these issues, please feel free to contact me. In any event, the corrective action plan is due within 15 days. Failure to submit an acceptable corrective action plan will result in disciplinary action.

FOR CWL ONLY

Please note that violations of any licensing rules are also violations of the MSA and your contract.

Please review the enclosed documentation for accuracy and contact me with any questions. In the event that I am not available and you need to speak to someone immediately, please contact the local office at (248) 975-5053.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lonia Perry".

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**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
DIVISION OF CHILD WELFARE LICENSING
SPECIAL INVESTIGATION REPORT
AMENDED**

I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

License #:	CB250201108
Investigation #:	2021C0420002
Complaint Receipt Date:	10/13/2020
Investigation Initiation Date:	10/13/2020
Report Due Date:	12/12/2020
Licensee Name:	Ennis Center for Children Inc
Licensee Address:	20100 Greenfield Road Detroit, MI 48235
Licensee Telephone #:	(313) 342-2699
Administrator:	Robert Ennis, Designee
Licensee Designee:	Robert Ennis, Designee
Name of Facility:	Ennis Center For Children - Flint
Facility Address:	129 E. Third Flint, MI 48502
Facility Telephone #:	(810) 233-4031
Original Issuance Date:	01/01/1992
License Status:	REGULAR
Effective Date:	02/28/2019
Expiration Date:	02/27/2021
Capacity:	Unknown
Program Type:	CHILD PLACING AGENCY, PRIVATE

II. ALLEGATION(S)

	Violation Established?
The agency failed to act on the foster parent's application for a group home license.	No
The agency would not work with the foster parent on maintaining the children placed in her foster home. The agency also gave false information related the children's' therapist's recommendation pertaining to placements for the siblings.	No
The agency did not invite the foster parent to a March and April 2020 FTM (Family Team Meeting) which she was the subject of. Additionally, the agency did not invite the children's therapist to an FTM held on 10/9/2020.	No
The agency never provided the children's service plans to the foster parent.	Yes
Additional Findings	No

III. METHODOLOGY

10/13/2020	Special Investigation Intake 2021C0420002
10/13/2020	Special Investigation Initiated - Telephone Spoke with Consultant 2
10/15/2020	Contact - Telephone call made Spoke with Complainant
10/15/2020	Contact - Face to Face Spoke with Foster Parent 1
10/19/2020	Contact - Document Sent Email to Chief Administrator A
10/20/2020	Contact - Document Sent Email to Chief Administrator A RE: Contact and pending staff interviews
10/21/2020	Contact - Document Received Email from Chief Administrator A: Re ensuring for contact information
10/27/2020	Contact - Face to Face Team's video meeting -Spoke with Chief Administrator A and Administrator B

10/27/2020	Contact - Document Received From Administrator B
11/05/2020	Contact - Telephone call made Spoke Briefly with Foster Care Worker (FCW) C- she will have to call me back
11/05/2020	Contact - Telephone call made Left message for Licensing Worker D
11/05/2020	Contact - Telephone call made Spoke to GAL E
11/05/2020	Contact - Telephone call made From FCW C- Interviewed
11/05/2020	Contact - Document Received To and from Therapist F. Spoke with
11/06/2020	Contact - Telephone call received Spoke with Foster Parent 1
11/09/2020	Contact - Document Sent Email to and from Administrators Re: remaining interviews- and site contact
11/9/2020	Contact- Telephone call received Spoke briefly with Licensing Worker D- interview pending
11/10/2020	Contact- face to face Spoke with Administrator B, interviewed Licensing Worker D and Licensing Supervisor G via Team's Video meeting, reviewed Foster Parent's hard file.
11/24/2020	Inspection Completed- Sub Compliance
12/07/2020	Exit Conference

ALLEGATION:

The agency failed to act on the foster parent's application for a group home license.

INVESTIGATION:

Foster Parent 1 reported she is caring for four foster children. They are her granddaughter (Child 4) whom she is in the process of adopting and three foster children. Two of the foster children, Child 1(age 7) and Child 2(age 4) are siblings.

Both children have been placed in her foster home since 2/19/2020. Child 1 and Child 2's sister, Child 3 is placed in another foster home due to Child 3's special needs. Foster Parent 1 reported making special efforts to maintain sibling contacts. She made a pack with Child 3's foster parent, Foster Parent 2 to have such contacts and she cared for Child 3 during times Child 3's foster parent had to work in April 2020. Foster Parent 1 said she applied for a group home license in March 2020 because these children's birth mother wanted her to try to get Child 3 placed within her (Foster Parent 1's) foster home. Foster Parent 1 said, she turned in all the required paperwork and the agency denied her. The agency said she didn't have an adequate vehicle with a third-row seat to accommodate and transport all the children. She said because of that she purchased a larger vehicle. She also obtained help via a nurse. She said she turned in paperwork again for group home licensure and the agency denied her. She insisted she completed an application for a group home license more than once. She did not believe the denial went through the state department. The agency denied her internally. She said Ennis denied her application by way of Licensing Worker D sending her a long text message. Licensing Worker D said the agency thought she would be taking on too much. Foster Parent 1 reported that was not true. She said she had all the children services in place.

She said the agency had a family team meeting in March and April to talk about the children, their placement plans and did not invite her. They told her they will not license her. Ennis never acted on her foster group home application. Additionally, to prevent her efforts to obtain placement of Child 3, the agency tried to intervene with Child 4's adoption being expedited so that she could not free up a placement bed for Child 3. They also open a special investigation on her, alleging she had contacted the birth parent about them allowing her to get guardianship of the children, which was not true. She believes this was another agency effort to delay her adoption progress, her opening up a bed in her home Foster Parent 1 acknowledged the agency did move forward with obtaining consent for Child 4's adoption.

On 10/27/2020 I spoke with Chief Administrator A and Administrator B face-to face via a Team's meeting. Chief Administrator A advised he had a telephone conversation with Foster Parent 1 about her interest and the agency explored it, but Foster Parent 1 never submitted a group home license application to Ennis. He and Administrator B both reported they would have acted on such an application. Both administrators acknowledged there were/are concerns related to all three siblings being placed with Foster Parent 1 but that would not have caused them to have not acted on a submitted application. They would have and if warranted, based on concerns, would have not recommended the license change.

Administrator B reported being advised by the department that a group home license was not necessarily required, and what impact a denial could have on a current license. The agency was advised a variance to the foster home's license could achieve the same results for increasing the foster home's licensing capacity if warranted. Administrator B reported this information, as well as the agency's

concerns were discussed with Foster Parent 1; and Foster Parent 1 said no to the variance.

Both administrators reported discussing the agency's concerns with Foster Parent 1 after she voiced an interest in placement of Child 3. They advised Foster Parent 1 they could not recommend placement of Child 3 into her home, for all three siblings to be permanently placed in the home given the level of Child 3's needs, and Foster Parent 1's level of responsibilities with the other children in her care. They denied slowing down Foster Parent 1's adoption of her granddaughter (Child 4) or generating a special evaluation to slow anything down or create a problem for Foster Parent 1. Chief Administrator A advised the adoption flow was impacted by the special evaluation which came up and had to be explored, and with information provided to MCI (Michigan Children's Institute). He reported expediency of Child 4's adoption/consent was not a delay by Ennis but was impacted due to Foster Parent 1's age. Departmental Policy mandates that an adoption consent cannot be expedited if the applicant is over 60, as is the case for Foster Parent 1. None of those matters outlined were delays initiated by Ennis. Nor was the special evaluation allegation, which Administrator B advised was reported to the agency. The allegations that Foster Parent 1 contacted the birth parents about getting or granting guardianship of the siblings to her, came from the outside and the matter warranted investigation. Administrator B questioned whether Foster Parent 1 may have gotten confused about matters. She reported, Foster Parent 1 will at times, when speaking with different people, tell them different things about the same matter. Or Foster Parent 1 may distort what she reported. Foster Parent 1 once told someone the agency sent out a whole file on her when the agency had not.

GAL E and Therapist F were interviewed separately by me via telephone on 11/5/2020. Both reported Foster Parent 1 reported either that Ennis mislead her about getting a group home license or that she was getting a group home license. GAL E said Foster Parent 1 knew the plan for the siblings was to get them all together. GAL E said Foster Parent 1 reported Foster Parent 1 was going to get her granddaughter adopted to free up a space in her home, for Child 3; but GAL E knew no other specifics. She nor Therapist F knew whether Foster Parent 1 had applied for a group home license.

Foster Care Worker (FCW)C was interviewed by me via telephone on 11/5/2020. FCW C only knew that a group home license was explored. Foster Parent 1 said, she was going to look into getting a group home license, would talk with Licensing Worker D about it. Foster Parent 1 nor Licensing Worker D never specifically told FCW C that Foster Parent 1 submitted a group home license application.

I interviewed Licensing Worker D and Licensing Supervisor G on 11/10/2020 via a Team's meeting while I was on-site at the agency and they were at other locations. Both basically corroborated the information as reported by Chief Administrator A and Administrator B related to the goal for the children at placement with Foster Parent 1 and non-submission of a group home application.

Licensing Worker D acknowledged there were at least two prior discussions with Foster Parent 1 about a group home licensing. One in March 2020 that came from the foster care worker and another in July 2020 during the time of Foster Parent 1's annual foster home inspection. During the latter discussion Licensing Worker D explained the process and Foster Parent 1 seemed to understand it and the impact caring for another child would have on her and the family. At that time Foster Parent 1 seemed okay with her license remaining as it was. She talked about her stressors and challenges, of caring for the children. Foster Parent 1 did not ask to change her license at that time or to increase her placement.

Licensing Worker D and Licensing Supervisor G denied Foster Parent 1 submitting any paperwork for a group home license once, let alone two or three times. Licensing Supervisor G said Foster Parent 1 may have gotten confused with paperwork she submitted for adoption. Additionally, that Foster Parent 1 has reported incorrect information. Foster Parent 1 once said she submitted paperwork via FCW C to transfer her license. When FCW C was asked about it, FCW C reported Foster Parent 1 had not.

Reviewed:

MISACWIS case file documents and the agency's physical file for Foster Parent 1:

- Neither records showed documentation of an application for a group home license, which would be for five to six children.
- The last application dated 4/19/2019 was for a foster family home license for one to four children.
- MISACWIS showed a social work contact dated 9/11/2020 by Licensing Worker D indicating a telephone contacted to Foster Parent 1 regarding her wanting to increase her license to care for the sister of the two children already placed in her home. During that conversation Foster Parent 1 reported an interest in pursuing a license change to accept placement of the additional child. Foster parent 1 reported her adoption was processing and she anticipated having the adoption completed by the second week of October. If that was accurate, she reported being okay with waiting until the adoption was completed to make any placement changes.
- No documentation showing Foster Parent 1 had submitted an application for a foster family group home.

APPLICABLE RULE	
R400.12308	Application submission
	(1) An agency shall act on a completed and signed application.

ANALYSIS:	The evidence does not support the allegations. There is no evidence showing Foster Parent 1 submitted an application or paperwork for a foster family group home; or that the agency failed to act on such.
CONCLUSION:	VIOLATION NOT ESTABLISHED

ALLEGATION:

The agency would not work with the foster parent on maintaining the children placed in her foster home. The agency also gave false information related the children's therapist's recommendation pertaining to placements for the siblings.

INVESTIGATION:

Foster Parent 1 reported the children's Guardian Ad Litem (GAL) got involved and had Ennis to remove Child 3 from Foster Parent 2's home. Foster Parent 1 said Child 3 was moved abruptly because school and optically needs were not been acted on by Child 3's foster parent. Then Ennis sent her(Foster Parent 1) a letter advising her they were going to remove Child 1 and Child 2 from her care because the goal was permanent custody and the new foster parent for Child 3 would be taking all three siblings. Foster Parent 1 said, she was open to taking all three girls, but instead of placing all three of the siblings with her, Ennis was seeking to remove Child 1 and Child 2 from her care. She reported there was an FTM on 10/9/2020, which she was invited to attended, but the children's therapist was not. At that FTM FCW C reported Therapist F said it was in the best interest of Child 1 and Child 2 to be moved with her sister; and Ennis said they were going to be moving the girls right away. Foster Parent 1 said Therapist F had never told her what Ennis reported Therapist F reported. She said she was attacked at the team meeting for not wanting to get the siblings together, which she denied was the case. She wanted to get all three girls together in her home. She said, the group brought up the fact she filed for a Foster Care Review Board (FCRB) hearing, and Children Ombudsmen complaint. They said they would let the FCRB settle the situation. The FCRB sided with her on keeping the two girls in her care; and then a court hearing was scheduled to review the siblings' placement plan.

Foster Parent 1 telephoned me on 11/6/2020 of the court hearing's outcome and concern with reporting by Ennis at the hearing. The court ordered Child 1 and Child 2's placement with Child 3 in Foster Parent 3's foster home. Foster Parent 1 expressed concern that the agency had advised the court that a licensing specialist, told them Foster Parent 1 was too old. Foster Parent 1 thought the agency was referring to me. I re-advised her that my role was to complete the agency's special investigation related to alleged rule violations not make child placement decision on this case. I would not be the licensing specialist the agency referenced in court.

Chief Administrator A and Administrator B as mentioned earlier in this report, acknowledged there were/are concerns related to all three siblings being placed with Foster Parent 1. There were agency discussions about such and with Foster Parent

1. Both administrators reported the agency stressed to Foster Parent 1 the plan was to have all three siblings placed together. This plan was explained to Foster Parent 1 and Foster Parent 2 when the children were placed from a relative home to each respective foster parent's home in February 2020. Foster Parent 1 was never told she needed to get a bigger vehicle in order to have placement of Child 3/being able to care for all the children. The agency never stopped working with Foster Parent 1 on Child 1 and Child 2's needs. The GAL, Court and Ennis were in support of finding a home that could take all three siblings and be able to meet their needs. A foster home that could take all three children was also supported by the children's birth parents and Therapist F. Administrator B acknowledged that with Therapist F, Therapist F has wavered on whether the three children's placement together should or should not be with Foster Parent 1. Therapist F had reported at a past provider's meeting that Foster Parent 1 was overwhelmed with the care of the children and couldn't handle it. Therapist F has since indicated it's not her role to make child placement decisions.

Both administrators reported Child 3 had to be replaced due to issues of her medical and educational needs not being met in Foster Parent 2's home. The court authorized that move. The agency's intent with that replacement was that Child 1 and Child 2 would also be placed within the new foster home. Foster Parent 1 was advised Child 1 and Child 2's replacements were pending. Foster Parent 1 appealed to the FCRB. On 10/13/2020 the FCRB indicated it would not be in Child 1 and Child 2's best interest to be replaced from Foster Parent 1's home. Thereafter, the matter was scheduled with the court for a ruling about Child 1, Child 2, and Child 3's placements and that hearing was scheduled for 11/6/2020.

On 11/10/2020 during an on-site agency visit, Administrator B reported the court ordered placement of Child 1 and Child 2 in the new foster home, uniting the two with siblings with Child 3. Foster Parent 1 did not take the matter well. The licensing worker is working with Foster parent 1 on moving Child 1 and Child 2 within the next 30 days. Administrator B denied the agency reporting to the court anything related to me and a reporting by me. Administrator B did not know what Foster Parent 1 may have been referencing pertaining to a licensing person saying she was too old.

On 11/5/2020 I interviewed GAL E via telephone. GAL E reported, Child 1, Child 2 and Child 3 were removed from their aunt's care in February 2020. The department was not able to place them with the grandmother, but the plan was always to keep the siblings together. Ennis did not have a home for all three siblings initially but reported they would work on getting a home. A few weeks ago, Ennis reported having a home able to take all three siblings. Child 3 had to be moved from Foster Parent 2's home and was placed in the new foster home. As reported earlier, GAL E knew Foster Parent 1 was trying to pursue placement of Child 3. GAL E was not supportive of that. She had concerns due to the fact Foster Parent 1 is over 60, would have five children under 10 with special needs. GAL E questioned Foster Parent 1's ability to care for the three siblings given her age and the girls' individual needs. She supports Child 1 and Child 2's move. She knew Foster Parent 1 reported

Therapist F was supportive of Foster Parent 1 obtaining placement of Child 3. Foster Parent 1 said she had a letter from the therapist, but GAL E never saw or received such a letter from the therapist. GAL E reported the agency continues to work with Foster Parent 1 around the children and what they need.

On 11/5/2020 I interviewed FCW C by telephone. FCW C reported Foster Parent 1 never complained about the adoption of her granddaughter being delayed or concerns about it with respect to trying to get placement of Child C. FCW C reported when the three siblings were placed on 2/19/2020, it was reported to both Foster Parent 1 and Foster Parent 2 the goal was to reunite the siblings. Both foster parents had at one point, voiced wanting to get all three girls, but were not able to do so due to physical spacing issues and or the needs of the individual children in their care. Foster Parent 1 thought she could, but multiple service providers working with Foster Parent 1 and the children in her care, did not think that was a good idea. Those individuals included, herself, other agency staff, Child 1's school and the GAL. Therapist F, who was working with Child 1, Child 2 and Child 3 in the home also felt Foster Parent 1 would not be able meet all three children's needs because of what Foster Parent 1 had "on her plate"/responsibility for her. However, Foster Parent 1 thought Therapist F believed Foster Parent 1 should have all three siblings. Therapist F never reported that to FCW, and Therapist F never submitted written monthly or quarterly therapeutic reports.

FCW C reported the agency was always upfront with Foster Parent 1 related to the children's needs, addressing her questions, concerns and working with her. FCW C denied making false reports related to Therapist F recommendation but admitted Therapist F seems reluctant now to report a clear statement about placement recommendation for the children. However, everyone supports all three children being together. FCW C reported, Foster Parent 1 was invited to and was a part of the 10/9/2020 SAFE (Safety and Facilitation Expert)-FTM where the children's case was discussed. She said, all expressed information about the children, their needs and placement recommendation. Foster Parent 1 was never left out of the discussion. But the agency did not support having the children in long term placement with Foster Parent 1 due to the children's needs and Foster Parent 1's specific situation and the impact those could have to all three children's need being met.

On 11/5/2020 I interviewed Therapist F by telephone. She reported seeing Child 1 and Child 2 since January 2020. She only worked with Child 3 for two months; 7/7/2020-10/9/2020. She was not aware of any agency staff making a false statement pertaining to a recommendation she made or supported. She reported she did not really make a placement recommendation. She said Child 1 and Child 2 appeared to be doing well with Foster Parent 1; but she had only had a couple of sessions with Child 3. She expressed to the agency and Foster Parent 1 that it would likely be less traumatic to move one child into the foster home with the two children as opposed to moving all three to another home. She left the placement decision to Ennis's foster care and licensing programs. She admitted expressing a

concern to FCW C related to Foster Parent 1 taking on another child, in that it would be a lot for Foster Parent 1 to take on. However, Foster Parent 1 had reported Foster Parent 1 had support. Therapist F said she just said okay to the statement Foster Parent 1 had made about support. Therapist F reported her statements were acknowledgements not her recommendation for or against Foster Parent 1 over another placement. She thought the agency should look at whether the children would be going home. Whether it was absolutely necessary for them to be replaced. If the children were going home, why replace them temporarily. If they were not going home, then yes, the three siblings should be placed together. Therapist F reported understanding that a lot goes into placement decisions, and that's why she felt it's the agency's decision and recommendation related to the children's placements.

APPLICABLE RULE	
R 400.12207	Staff responsibilities.
	(3) An agency shall require that social service workers be directly responsible for all of the following activities: (a) Placing and supervising children in out-of-home care. Social service workers shall work directly with the children, their families, and other relevant individuals and be primarily responsible for the development, implementation, and review of service plans for the children and their families.
ANALYSIS:	The evidence does not support the allegations. The agency was working with all parties related to the children, their needs and placement potentials. Foster Parent 1 disagreed with the agency does not recommending her for the siblings' placement The court ultimately made the decision related to all three children and their placement.
CONCLUSION:	VIOLATION NOT ESTABLISHED

ALLEGATION:

The agency did not invite the foster parent to a March and April 2020 FTM (Family Team Meeting) which she was the subject of. Additionally, the agency did not invite the children's therapist to an FTM held on 10/9/ 2020.

INVESTIGATION:

Foster Parent 1 reported the agency intentionally denied her an invitation to a March and April 2020 FTM. She said she was the subject of the meetings, so she should have been invited. She reported the agency also did not invite Therapist F to a 10/9//2020 FTM.

On 10/19/2020, MISACWIS case file documentation was reviewed, and the record did not show documentation of a March or April 2020 FTM. An FTM was

documented for 2/18/2020 prior to the Child 1 and Child 2's placement with Foster Parent 1 related to placement and safety concerns. Another FTM was documented for 5/27/2020, which showed Foster Parent 1 participated in. A 10/9/2020 SAFE (Safety and Facilitation Expert)-FTM was also documented, which Foster Parent 1 reported participating in.

Chief Administrator A, Administrator B, and FCW C all reported there were no FTM held in March or April 2020. They reported Foster Parent 1 was made aware of and attended FTMs held related to the siblings. This was inclusive of a 10/9/2020 SAFE-FTM that was facilitated by a trained departmental facilitator, not Ennis.

Administrator B and FCW C reported there was a concern mentioned that Therapist F was not invited or in attendance at the 10/9/2020 SAFE-FTM. Both explained that the SAFE Facilitator not Ennis schedules and sent out the invites to these meetings. Ennis provides input as to who should be invited. As it relates to the 10/9/2020 SAFE-FTM a mix-up occurred. This SAFE-FTM was actually scheduled for an earlier date. Therapist F was on the email/invite for the meeting set for earlier in October 2020. The date was changed to 10/9/2020 and Therapist F was left off the next invite email. During the 10/9/2020 SAFE-FTM someone mentioned, or it was realized Therapist F was not in attendance. During the meeting, they paused and FCW C called Therapist F. Therapist F did not answer and FCW C left a message asking Therapist F if she would be joining the meeting. Therapist F called her back after the meeting and spoke with FCW C. Therapist F said she was not aware/did not get the updated invite.

GAL E could not recall an FTM in March or April 2020. She recalled a 3/18/2020 telephone call with Foster Parent 1 and a 4/28/2020 court hearing. As for Therapist F being at or not being invited to the 10/9/2020 SAFE-FTM, GAL E said there were a lot of people in attendance. She said this meeting was not facilitated by Ennis. She said, it's just workers, birth parents, parents' attorneys, and GAL during FTMs. During the 10/9/2020 meeting Foster Parent 1 mentioned Therapist F being opposed to the children's move; and it was realized Therapist F may not have been invited to the meeting. GAL E affirmed FCW C's reporting about a pause in the meeting and someone calling Therapist F.

Therapist F reported attending maybe two FTMs. She affirmed FCW C's reporting related to her invite to the SAFE-FTM prior to, and issue with her attendance at the 10/9/2020 SAFE-FTM.

APPLICABLE RULE	
Policy FOM 722-6 B	Family Team Meeting.
	FTMs should include child welfare staff, parents, caretakers, foster parents, children, youth, and may also include extended family, friends, neighbors, community-based service providers,

	<p>community representatives, tribal representatives, for Indian children, or other professionals involved with the family.</p> <p>Each meeting must be documented in MiSACWIS using the FTM hyperlink and all of the appropriate forms must be completed for each type of meeting</p>
ANALYSIS:	<p>The evidence does not support the allegations. No FTM was held in March or April 2020 related to this case.</p> <p>The therapist was invited to the initially 10/1/2020 scheduled SAFE-FTM but was inadvertently excluded from the meeting invite when that meeting was rescheduled to 10/9/2020. The FCW contacted the therapist during the meeting to include the therapist in this FTM, but the therapist did not answer. The FCW spoke with the therapist after the meeting.</p>
CONCLUSION:	VIOLATION NOT ESTABLISHED

ALLEGATION:

The agency never provided the service plans to the foster parent.

INVESTIGATION:

Foster Parent 1 reported she has not received a copy of the Child 1 and Child 2 service plans since their placement with her.

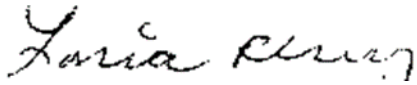
Chief Administrator A and FCW C acknowledged the reports had not been provided to Foster Parent 1 timely. FCW C reported prior to this complaint Foster Parent 1 had never complained about non-receipt of the service plans. She and Chief Administrator A reported the two reports were provided to Foster Parent 1 either the week of 10/20/2020 or on 10/16/2020.

A review of the children's MISACWIS file showed Child 1 and Child 2 were placed in Foster Parent 1's foster home on 2/19/2020. An updated service plan for the service period's 3/11/2020-6/3/2020 and 6/4/2020-9/1/2020 were documented along with a respective Parent/Agency Treatment Plan Agreement (PATPA). The PATPAs did not contain Foster Parent 1's signature. A 10/16/2020 social work contact was documented indicating a text was sent to Foster Parent 1 advising her that the two service plans were left for her at the front desk, but the worker was also willing to drop them off.

APPLICABLE RULE	
Policy FOM 722-8C	Foster Care-Parent Agency Treatment Plan & Service Agreement.
	Signature: When completed, obtain all signatures as appropriate, including those of parent(s)/guardian(s), foster care worker, supervisor, foster parent, caregiver, any youth age 14 and older and in the case of placement agency foster care cases, the local DHS office designee
ANALYSIS:	<p>The agency admitted it did not provide the 3/11/2020-6/3/2020 and 6/4/2020-9/1/2020 service plans to Foster Parent 1 timely.</p> <p>Case record showed the PATPA for each listed service plan was not signed by Foster Parent 1. The agency failed to obtain the foster parent's signature on the reports within the timeframe as required by the standard.</p>
CONCLUSION:	VIOLATION ESTABLISHED

IV. RECOMMENDATION:

Upon receipt of an acceptable corrective action plan continuation of the facility's current licensing status is recommended.

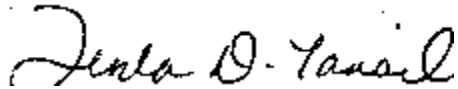


December 4, 2020

Lonia Perry
Licensing Consultant

Date

Approved By:



December 9, 2020

Linda Tansil
Area Manager

Date