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Subject(s)

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1) FOM 722-16,
YOUNG ADULT
VOLUNTARY
FOSTER CARE
(YAVFC)

Funding and Payments

Information previously contained in FOM 902-21, Young Adult Voluntary Foster Care (YAVFC) Funding and Payments, is now found in this item.

Reason: Reorganization of policy manuals

YAVFC Eligibility

Youth are eligible to enter YAVFC if residing with a biological parent, even if parental rights have been terminated, provided the abuse/neglect case is open on the youth's 18th birthday.

Clarification was added regarding calculation of grace periods.

Marriage is removed as a reason for a youth to be found ineligible.

Reason: Federal clarification and CSA recommendation

YAVFC Eligibility Documentation

The [MDHHS-5778, Young Adult Voluntary Foster Care Verification Form](#), is now to be used for a youth's YAVFC eligibility. The MDHHS-5778 can be completed by an employer, volunteer coordinator, school personnel, or medical professional with knowledge of the youth's employment, enrollment in an education program, volunteer work, or medical conditions for YAVFC eligibility.

The MDHHS-5778 can be used to document one type of eligibility criteria. If a youth is required to show two types, such as for both education and employment, then a MDHHS-5778 needs to be completed for each.

Reason: Explanation by CSA of new form.

Bed Holds

Youth in YAVFC are eligible for a bed hold if entering a facility to treat a mental illness or substance abuse disorder.

Reason: Federal clarification and CSA recommendation

Minor Corrections and Updated links.

Reason: Policy maintenance

2) FOM 722-16A, YOUNG ADULT VOLUNTARY FOSTER CARE (YAVFC) FAIR HEARINGS

This is a new policy section. All information formerly in FOM 902-21A, Young Adult Voluntary Foster Care (YAVFC) Fair Hearing Process, can now be found here.

Updated name of the Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules (MOAHR).

Updated information about hearing decisions. Copies of the recommended decision are sent to FCD and the petitioner. Either party may file written exceptions within the timeframe as set forth in the recommended decision. The MDHHS Director has 30 calendar days to issue a final decision and order or remand for rehearing.

The petitioner has the right to appeal the final decision and order to probate court within 30 calendar days after the final decision and order is received.

The final decision and order may require MDHHS to take action. MDHHS must implement any required action within 14 calendar days of the mailing date of the hearing decision.

Reason: Clarification requested by Federal Compliance Division.

**3) FOM 902-21,
YOUNG ADULT
VOLUNTARY
FOSTER CARE
(YAVFC) FUNDING
AND PAYMENTS**

All information that was previously in this policy section can now be found in FOM 722-16, Young Adult Voluntary Foster Care (YAVFC).

Reason: CSA recommendation

**4) FOM 902-21A,
YOUNG ADULT
VOLUNTARY
FOSTER CARE
(YAVFC) FAIR
HEARING PROCESS**

All information that was previously in this policy section can now be found in FOM 722-16A, Young Adult Voluntary Foster Care (YAVFC) Fair Hearings

Reason: CSA recommendation

**5) FOM 970,
MICHIGAN WORKS!
AGENCY
REFERRALS**

Item Obsolete

This policy item is obsolete. Information regarding Michigan Works can be found in FOM 722-03C, Older Youth: Preparation, Placement and Discharge.

**MANUAL
MAINTENANCE
INSTRUCTIONS**

Added Items ...

[FOM 722-16A](#)

Changed Items ...

[FOM 722-16](#)

[FOM 902-21](#)

[FOM 902-21A](#)

Deleted Items ...

FOM 970