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From: Fredi-Ellen Bove Jredi - Ellen Bove Administrator

Re: Availability of Funds: Brighter Futures Initiative (BFI) AMENDED

PURPOSE

This memo supplements the DSP Informational Memo Series 2017-28i, issued August 29, 2017.

The purpose of this memo is to notify county and tribal child welfare agencies outside of Milwaukee County that **the availability of Brighter Futures funding has changed**.

BACKGROUND

The RFP for the (BFI) program in counties outside of Region 3 (Milwaukee) was posted to Vendor Net on August 29, 2017. The Department recently became aware of changes in the funding structure, which necessitated revisions to the RFP.

INFORMATION SUMMARY

Due to a change in funding structure, the RFP for the BFI has been amended; the deadline for submissions has also been extended to October 24, 2017. Approximately \$1.2 million annually is available to DCF to make grant awards under this RFP with the intent to make at least seven (7) awards to fund programs for substance use prevention efforts and at least one (1) award to fund a program that reduces youth delinquency and/or increase adolescent self-sufficiency. The request for proposals can be found at: https://vendornet.wi.gov/Bids.aspx, under the program name Brighter Futures.

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