TO: Child Support Agency Directors

FROM: Kristiane Randal
Division Administrator

RE: CY2014 Medical Support Performance Funding

PURPOSE
The Child Support contract between the Department of Children and Families and local child support agencies specifies that certain funds will be awarded on a performance basis. This memo provides the Medical Support performance funding for CY2014 child support contract.

BACKGROUND
In 2008, the federal Department of Health and Human Services released a new Medical Support regulation. This regulation expands child support program responsibilities to seek and enforce orders that require either parent to enroll the children under private health insurance plans that are available to the parent at a reasonable cost.

MEDICAL SUPPORT INCENTIVES
In the 2013-2015 Wisconsin Biennial Budget, the Wisconsin legislature continued GPR appropriation in the amount of $300,000 per state fiscal year to reward county child support agencies that identify private health insurance for Medicaid children. A total of $300,000 in GPR is available for SFY 2014 (July 1, 2013 – June 30, 2014). These funds are eligible for federal matching funds.

Medical support GPR of $300,000 is pro-rated across all county child support agencies based on a KIDS report that counts newly added worker-entered private health insurance coverage for children receiving Medicaid/BadgerCare. The performance reports cover the period from October 1, 2012 through September 30, 2013.

The Medical Support Incentive funds will be added to the child support contract allocations for calendar year 2014.

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Attachment: Medical Support Funding Allocation