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TO: Child Support Agency Directors
FROM: Kristiane Randal
Division Administrator
RE: CY2016 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 CY2016 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 2015 -2017 Wisconsin Biennial Budget, the Wisconsin legislature appropriated \$300,000 in General Purpose Revenue (GPR) for each state fiscal year to reward county child support agencies that find private health insurance for Medicaid children. A total of \$300,000 in GPR is available for SFY 2016 (July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016). 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/Badger Care. The performance reports cover the period from October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015.

The Medical Support Incentive funds will be part of the child support contract allocations for calendar year 2016.

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Attachment: CY16 Medical Support GPR