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DATE: November 7, 2019

TO: Child Support Agency Directors

RE: CY2020 Medical Support General Purpose Revenue Funding

PURPOSE:

This memo provides information to child support agencies (CSAs) regarding the Medical Support General Purpose Revenue (GPR) funding for the Calendar Year 2020 (CY2020) Child Support contract.

BACKGROUND:

In 2008, the federal Department of Health and Human Services released a new Medical Support regulation. This regulation expanded 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 GPR:

In the 2019-2021 Wisconsin Biennial Budget, the Wisconsin legislature appropriated \$300,000 in 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 2020 (July 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020). These GPR funds are eligible for federal matching funds of 66%, which generates an additional \$582,353 for county child support programs. *The medical support GPR funding is used for all eligible, necessary, and allowable child support expenditures.*

The medical support GPR of \$300,000 is pro-rated across all county child support agencies based on an annual KIDS report for the period of October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019, which tracks the added "worker-entered" private health insurance coverage for children receiving Medicaid/Badger Care. The attachment shows the amount of medical support earned by each county.

This funding will be part of the CY2020 State-County Child Support Contract allocations - System for Payments and Reports of Contracts (SPARC) contract line 7606 and no expenditures should be reported directly by counties on this contract line. Counties will receive this funding by June 30, 2020 through a payment process done by the DCF Bureau of Finance.

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Attachment: [CY20 Medical Support GPR](#)