

REVENUE ENHANCEMENT

Pre-Placement Administrative Costs

16-3-1

Policy

DCF shall claim pre-placement administrative Title IV-E funding for otherwise eligible children receiving in-home services and who are at imminent risk of removal from the home.

Legal reference: [Public Law 109-171](#).

Social Worker Responsibilities

A Social Worker assigned to a case involving a child eligible for pre-placement administrative Title IV-E funding shall:

- determine if the child receiving in-home care is at imminent risk of removal from the home, assess the family's likelihood of future maltreatment, the need for continued protective service involvement and determine the intensity of service provision;
 - review the case every 90 days to determine (or redetermine) as to whether the child remains at imminent risk of removal from home; and
 - provide justification for continuing the plan if the child remains "at risk."
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Funding Eligibility

In order to be eligible for pre-placement administrative Title IV-E funding:

- the child must be at imminent risk of removal from the home;
- and**
- reasonable efforts are being made by DCF to prevent the removal; or
 - DCF is pursuing the removal of the child from the home.
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Determining Administrative Costs

DCF shall use the Random Moment in Time Study (RMTS) to determine the candidacy rate and apply the in-home Title IV-E eligibility rate (penetration rate) to determine the amount of allowable administrative costs.

Funding begins in the month in which candidacy is documented.

Cross reference: DCF Policy 16-7-2, "Random Moment Time Study."
