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The intent of this correspondence is to advise that all Stafford Act flexibilities offered by the Children's Bureau in response to the COVID-19 pandemic disaster declarations will expire on June 30, 2023, as outlined in ACYF-CB-IM-23-05. Although Kentucky's state of emergency ended on March 22nd, 2022, the federal state of emergency was extended through May 11, 2023. These flexibilities included virtual face-to-face visits and suspended fingerprint based criminal records checks.

Through the federal state of emergency, the Cabinet for Health and Family Services (Cabinet/CHFS) had flexibilities in place for conducting face-to-face case manager visits virtually. Flexibilities for virtual case manager visits will end on June 30, 2023, and pre-pandemic in person face-to-face visit requirements will resume on July 1, 2023. This includes private provider case management visits and Cabinet caseworker visits.

CCT 23-03 provided information concerning fingerprint-based records checks. Detailed information can be found at <a href="https://manuals-sp-chfs.ky.gov/resources/Documents%20and%20Forms/CCT%2023-02%20KARES%20implementation-quidance.pdf">https://manuals-sp-chfs.ky.gov/resources/Documents%20and%20Forms/CCT%2023-02%20KARES%20implementation-quidance.pdf</a>.

Therapy may continue through the use of telehealth in accordance with each professional governing body.

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