Statement of Consideration (SOC)

PPTL 20-35 SOP 12.15, SOP 12.17, and SOP 12.24. The following comments were received in response to SOP drafts sent for field review. Thanks to those who reviewed and commented. Comments about typographical and grammatical errors are excluded; these errors have been corrected as appropriate

**SOP 12.15 Ongoing Training, SOP 2.17 Foster and Adoptive Home Reviews and SOP 12.24 Per Diem Rates (Including Specialized Foster Care)**

1. **Comment:** there should be guidance about what happens when a Medically Complex foster parent(s) fails to complete training.  While the rate may change, what happens with the placement?

**Response:**  A medically complex approved foster home should be managed in the same manner as other foster home approval types.  The home should be placed on hold and unable to accept new placements.  However, a child(ren) should not be moved automatically, as increased placement moves are not in a child’s best interest. Consideration should be given to the child’s permanency goal, attachment to the family, and any specific barriers the family may be facing that led to the lapse in training. Information has been added to SOP 12.24 advising that a written plan should be developed with the family. The plan should be reasonable, time specific, and address how the family will bring their training into compliance.