

Statement of Consideration (SOC)

PPTL 24-13 SOP 4.5.10, SOP 4.18, SOP 5.1, SOP 5.3, SOP 5.4, SOP 5.5, SOP 5.6, SOP 5.7, SOP 5.9, SOP 5.10, DPP-1257 series. 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 5.1

- 1. Comment:** Some staff are concerned about only completing the first page of the SC&R to approve the placement and then R&C completes the rest. Staff think this could lead to unsafe and inappropriate placements that R and C won't end up approving.

Response: Section 1 of the Safety Check and Review considers immediate safety including background checks and home environment. A thorough section 1 should be completed. A more in-depth exploration of items in section 2 will be completed in the home study for foster parent approval.

- 2. Comment:** Staff feel that part of the agreement needs to include that the Caretaker will abide by all court orders regarding visitation of the child with parents and will not allow parents to reside in the home or child to return to home of the parent.

Response: Families should be made aware of current court orders involving the children and visitation however the contractual agreements do not address court orders.

- 3. Comment:** Staff feel there needs to be a requirement that the Caretaker ensures the child attends school just like foster children have to attend school.

Response: After permanent custody is granted a caregiver shall follow KRS regarding school enrollment.

SOP 5.4

- 1. Comment:** in the footnotes, the reference to bed holds, this is only while in a foster situation and not after permanency and SPC payments correct?

Response: Correct

SOP 5.7

1. **Comment:** This is not part of the 1257 contract (only childcare and respite are noted). Does this need to be removed from SOP or added to the contract?

**transportation is only in adoption contracts for our MC youth that have a lot of medical needs/appointments and will have excessive transportation. These are minimal.

Response: Change has been made.

SOP 5.10

1. **Comment:** Where it states subsidy will 'resume', will we have to back up for the months suspended? (ie.. caregiver does not respond to annual contact and SPC is suspended as of 7/1. They finally respond at the end of August. Does it start back at the end of August or do we have to back pay July & August?)

Response: No, they would not receive the month of the suspension and only receive the following month. Clarification is being added to SOP.

2. **Comment:** typo in footnote ...The adoptive parent submits the form to the R&C should be permanent caregiver. Also the footnote is not indicated which line it refers to.

3.

Response: This has been corrected.

DPP-1257C

1. **Comment:** The annual contact form (1257C) should that form number actually be 1257B to keep consistent with the form sequence that adoption subsidy has?

Response: Change has been made.

DPP-1257A

1. **Comment:** should we remove the IV-E and State funded boxes at the top? It was removed from the 1257.

Response: Change has been made.