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TO: Service Region Administrators
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FROM: Kelli Root, Acting Assistant Director
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DATE: October 25, 2021

SUBJECT: SOP 4.29.2 Transition Planning for Youth Transitioning Out of Out-of-Home Care or Extending Commitment

This purpose of this memorandum is to provide guidance regarding youth who are currently on extended commitment that returned to an out-of-home care (OOHC) placement during the flexibility period of the Consolidated Appropriations Act (CAA). The timeframe for youth to request to return to care after their 19th birthday expired on September 30, 2021. There were 61 young people age 21 or older who were exited from the Cabinet for Health and Family Services (Cabinet's) custody on October 1. However, young people under age 21 who returned to care during this time were not required to be exited from care since they have not reached the age of 21. If any of those young people who have remained on extended commitment are noncompliant, please refer to [SOP 4.29.2 Transition Planning for Youth Transitioning Out of Out-of-Home Care or Extending Commitment](#). Language has been corrected to indicate that a youth has 14 calendar days to file a service complaint after receiving the [DPP-337 Notice to Deny or Terminate Extension of Commitment](#) letter from the Cabinet. [The DPP-337 Notice to Deny or Terminate Extension of Commitment](#) is now in a fillable form format.

Please note this does not only apply to young people who returned to care during the flexibility period of the CAA; this is the standard of practice for all young people on extended commitment. The policy was updated in April 2021; however, this was also during the period of when flexibilities around extended commitment were implemented as a result of the CAA.

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