Did You Know?

Relatives may be eligible to receive a one-time Relative Placement Support Benefit (RPSB) that is based on each child's immediate needs such as furniture, a deposit for a larger apartment, clothing, school supplies, etc.

During the worker's home visit to complete the DPP-1277 Relative Home Evaluation, the worker assesses the relative's home and must indicate what immediate needs the relative has in order for the RPSB to be appropriate.

The worker provides the relative with the Resource Options Relatives Can Explore document, and the relative signs the DPP-1278 Relative Placement Support Benefit Acknowledgment Form.

The worker completes the DPP-1277A Relative Placement Support Statement of Need Worksheet and processes payments based on their regional protocol. The RPSB is issued by check directly to the vendor providing for the needed service or item. The amount provided for each child is based upon the needs assessed during the relative home evaluation, and therefore is not automatically awarded.

Please see: SOP 4.5 Relative Evaluation and Placement

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