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TRANSMITTAL DATE: January 30, 2018

TOPIC: ADCS/Foster Parent College Based Pre-Service Training Program

Target Audience – Qualified Vendors Providing Child Developmental Home Services

Effective January 1, 2018, the Arizona Department of Child Safety (ADCS) has replaced the Partnering for Safety and Permanency – Model Approach to Partnerships in Parenting (“PS-MAPP”) curriculum with the ADCS/Foster Parent College Based Pre-Service Training Program. In order to maintain alignment of training requirements with its ADCS partners, the Department of Economic Security, Division of Developmental Disabilities (“the Division”) will also require this curriculum for applicants/licensees for Child Developmental Home (CDH) services. In addition to the ADCS/Foster Parent Based training, initial CDH applicants are still required to complete DDD specific training, such as Article 9, the four disabilities, recordkeeping, Article 10, DDD Philosophy and Mission Statement, Habilitation and other DDD related topics.

Implementation and Requirements

The ADCS/Foster Parent College Based Pre-Service Training may only be administered by vendors who completed the ADCS sponsored *Train the Trainer* sessions. Licensed applicants may be enrolled per the instructions provided by ADCS.

- If a Child Developmental Home (CDH) license applicant is currently enrolled in PS-MAPP Training, the program must be completed by April 4, 2018 to be accepted as pre-service training by the Division.
- If an applicant has already completed PS-MAPP training but delayed applying for initial licensure, PS-MAPP will be accepted through July 1, 2018. If the application is not submitted by July 1, 2018, the applicant will be required to complete the Foster Parent College Based Pre-Service Training Program.
- An applicant for a CDH license who closed either a CDH license or Foster Care license in good standing and applies for a CDH license within 12 months of closure will not be required to complete the Foster Parent College Based Pre-Service program. PS-MAPP will still be accepted.
- If an applicant delays licensure after successfully completing the Foster Parent College training and returns as an applicant at a later date, the Division will recognize completion of the pre-service training.

- If there have been changes in federal law, Arizona statute, rule, policy, practice or required training, the licensing agency shall provide training covering the updates prior to submitting the home study to the Division.

Additional guidance from ADCS on Training Requirements for Foster Care Licensure in Arizona is attached to this vendor communication.

Questions related to this communication may be sent to dddolcr@azdes.gov.

Thank you!