

October 2, 2020

# GENERAL LETTER NO. 18-C(2)-1

- ISSUED BY: Bureau of Child Welfare and Community Services Division of Adult, Children, and Family Services
- SUBJECT: Employees' Manual, Title 18, Chapter C(2), **Case Management**, Title Page, new; Contents page 1-3, new; pages 1-112, new.

# Summary

This general letter issues a new chapter developed to support the redesign of the child welfare manual.

Portions of the Employees' Manual Chapters:

- 13-D, *Guardianship*
- Chapter 17-C, *Case Planning Policy*
- Chapter 17-C(1), *Case Planning Procedures*
- Chapter 17-C(2), Case Planning Practice Guidance
- Chapter 17-C(3), Additional Case Planning Information
- Chapter 17-D, Case Management Policy
- Chapter 17-D(1), Case Management Procedures
- Chapter 17-D(2), *Case Management Practice Guidance*
- and Chapter 17-D(3), Additional Case Management Information

have been moved to 18-C(2), *Case Management*, which outlines policy, procedures, and practice guidance for case planning and case management of child welfare service cases.

# **Effective Date**

Immediately

# **Material Superseded**

None.

# **Additional Information**



January 15, 2021

# **GENERAL LETTER NO. 18-C(2)-2**

- ISSUED BY: Bureau of Child Welfare and Community Services Division of Adult, Children, and Family Services
- SUBJECT: Employees' Manual, Title 18, Chapter C(2), *Case Management*, Contents pages 1-3 revised; page 1-15, 20-73, and 87-104, revised.

# Summary

Chapter 18-C(2) is revised to:

- Add a section on Protective Child Care.
- Update references to "Trial Home Visits" or "THV" changed to "Court Ordered Trial Home Visits" or "Court Ordered THV" and update related policy.
- Update case management Response to Unauthorized Absence from Placement.
- Update information for Supervised Apartment Living (SAL) services.

# **Effective Date**

Immediately.

# **Material Superseded**

<u>Page</u>	<u>Date</u>
Contents 1-3	October 2, 2020
1-15	October 2, 2020
20-73	October 2, 2020
87-104	October 2, 2020

# **Additional Information**



June 11, 2021

# **GENERAL LETTER NO. 18-C2-3**

- ISSUED BY: Bureau of Child Welfare and Community Services Division of Adult, Children and Family Services
- SUBJECT: Employees' Manual, Title 18, Chapter C(2), *Case Management*, Contents page 1-3, page 7, 11-15, 16, 19, 23 and 24, 26, 36, 50, 52, 55, 64, 81, 89, 96, and 111, revised.

# Summary

This chapter is updated to:

- Reflect the transition from Family Team Decision-Making (FTDM) Meetings to Solution Focused Meetings (SFMs)
- Revise definitions of terms within the chapter

# **Effective Date**

July 1, 2021

# **Material Superseded**

Remove the following pages from Employees' Manual, Title 18, Chapter C(2), and destroy them:

Page	<u>Date</u>
Contents 1-3	January 15, 2021
7, 11-15	January 15, 2021
16, 19	October 2, 2020
23 and 24, 26, 36, 50, 52	, 55, 64 January 15, 2021
81	October 2, 2020
89, 96	January 15, 2021
111	October 2, 2020

# Additional Information



December 24, 2021

# **GENERAL LETTER NO. 18-C2-4**

- ISSUED BY: Bureau of Child Welfare and Community Services Division of Adult, Children and Family Services
- SUBJECT: Employees' Manual, Title 18, Chapter C(2), *Case Management*, Contents page 1-3, revised; Contents page 4, new; pages 2-6, 7, 8-10, 11-15, 24, 25, 26, 27-35, 36, 37-49, 50, 51, 52, 53 and 54, 55, 56-63, 64, 65-73, 74-80, 81, 82-86, 87 and 88, 89, 90-95, 96, 97-104, 105-110, 111, 112, revised; 113-120, new.

# Summary

This chapter is updated to implement the Structured Decision Making (SDM) Safety Assessment developed in collaboration with Evident Change.

# **Effective Date**

January 4, 2022

# **Material Superseded**

Remove the following pages from Employees' Manual, Title 18, Chapter C(2), and destroy them:

<u>Page</u>	<u>Date</u>
Contents 1-3 2-6 7 8-10 11-15 24 25 26 27-35 36 37-49 50 51 52 53 and 54 55 56-63 64	June 11, 2021 January 15, 2021 June 11, 2021 January 15, 2021 June 11, 2021 June 11, 2021 January 15, 2021 June 11, 2021
65-73	January 15, 2021

74-80	October 2, 2020
81	June 11, 2021
82-86	October 2, 2020
87 and 88	January 15, 2021
89	June 11, 2021
90-95	January 15, 2021
96	June 11, 2021
97-104	January 15, 2021
105-110	October 2, 2020
111	June 11, 2021
112	October 2, 2020

# **Additional Information**



March 11, 2022

# **GENERAL LETTER NO. 18-C2-5**

- ISSUED BY: Bureau of Child Welfare and Community Services Division of Adult, Children and Family Services
- SUBJECT: Employees' Manual, Title 18, Chapter C(2), **Case Management**, pages 107 and 108, revised.

# Summary

This chapter is updated to include information about the Casey Life Skills Assessment.

# Effective Date

Immediately.

#### **Material Superseded**

Remove the following pages from Employees' Manual, Title 18, Chapter C(2), and destroy them:

Page Date

107 and 108 December 24, 2021

# **Additional Information**

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December 16, 2022

## GENERAL LETTER NO. 18-C2-6

- ISSUED BY: Bureau of Child Welfare and Community Services Division of Adult, Children, and Family Services
- SUBJECT: Employees' Manual, Title 18, Chapter C(2), *Case Management*, Title Page, Contents 1-3, revised; Contents 4, removed; page 1, 2-15, 16, 17 and 18, 19, 20-22, 23, 24-104, revised; 105 and 106, 107 and 108, removed.

#### Summary

This chapter is revised to

- Update the definition of foster care.
- Add definition of MDT and putative father.
- Add father engagement information.
- Update Protective/Foster Care Child Care.
- Add Multidisciplinary Team information.
- Add the presumption that it is in the best interest of children age 10+ to attend court,
- Add language regarding recognizing removing a child from the child's family causes harm and that it must be weighed against potential harm in allowing child to remain,
- Clarify language about the court considering placing the child in the custody of the other parent of the child first,
- Add information on the Fostering Connections to Success and Increasing Adoptions Act of 2008 regarding notifying relatives,
- Add parents of child's siblings to the list of possible kin to search for,
- Clarify changes regarding Notice to Relatives to include that the Department may share information as necessary to any adult relative that receives notice,
- Add information on sibling visits every 30 days, as well as 232 definition of sibling,
- Add information on Family Interactions
- Add information on communicating with MCOs and health risk assessments,
- Add reunification practice standards
- Update style and formatting throughout.

#### **Effective Date**

Immediately.

#### **Material Superseded**

Remove the following pages from Employees' Manual, Title 18, Chapter C(2), and destroy them:

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16	June 11, 2021
17 and 18	October 2, 2020
19	June 11, 2021
20-22	January 15, 2021
23	June 11, 2021
24-106	December 24, 2021
107 and 108	March 11, 2022

# Additional Information

# GENERAL LETTER NO. 18-C2-7

- ISSUED BY: Bureau of Child Welfare and Community Services Division of Family Well-Being and Protection
- SUBJECT: Employees' Manual, Title 18, Chapter C(2), *Case Management*, Contents 3, 77-83, revised.

## Summary

This chapter is revised to reflect licensed foster care clothing allowance increase.

## **Effective Date**

Immediately.

## **Material Superseded**

Remove the following pages from Employees' Manual, Title 18, Chapter C(2), and destroy them:

<u>Page</u>	<u>Date</u>
Contents 3	December 16, 2022
77-83	December 16, 2022

#### Additional Information

## **GENERAL LETTER NO. 18-C2-8**

ISSUED BY: Bureau of Child Welfare and Community Services Division of Family Well-Being and Protection

SUBJECT: Employees' Manual, Title 18, Chapter C(2), Case Management, 17, 56, 84-86, revised.

#### Summary

This chapter is revised to

- Add Family Interactions as a separate Family-Centered Service
- Update Title IV-E amendment information on the Department's responsibilities with missing and exploited children
- Add information/link to Human Trafficking Comm. document

#### **Effective Date**

Immediately..

## **Material Superseded**

Remove the following pages from Employees' Manual, Title 18, Chapter C(2), and destroy them:

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 56, 84-86
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#### Additional Information



September 1, 2023

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## GENERAL LETTER NO. 18-C2-9

ISSUED BY:	Bureau of Child Welfare Division of Family Well-Being and Protection
SUBJECT:	Employees' Manual, Title 18, Chapter C(2), Case Management, Contents 2, Contents 3

70-76, 77-83, 84-86, 87-104, revised; 105, new.

#### Summary

This chapter is revised to implement extended foster care information per HF 2252 and to reflect changes to voluntary placement agreements.

#### **Effective Date**

Immediately.

#### **Material Superseded**

Remove the following pages from Employees' Manual, Title 18, Chapter C(2), and destroy them:

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70-76	December 16, 2022
77-83	May 19, 2023
84-86	June 30, 2023
87-104	December 16, 2022

#### Additional Information



May 10, 2024

# **GENERAL LETTER NO. 18-C2-10**

- ISSUED BY: Bureau of Child Welfare and Community Services Division of Family Well-Being and Protection
- SUBJECT: Employees' Manual, Title 18, Chapter C(2), *Service Provision Case Management*, Contents 2 and 3, 41-55, 56, 57-69, 70-102, revised; 103-105, removed.

## Summary

This chapter is revised to update the Concurrent Planning section to include the new statewide process beginning May 1, 2024.

## Effective Date

Immediately.

## Material Superseded

Remove the following pages from Employees' Manual, Title 18, Chapter C(2), and destroy them:

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41-55	December 16, 2022
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57-69	December 16, 2022
70-105	September 1, 2023

# **Additional Information**



December 13, 2024

# **GENERAL LETTER NO. 18-C2-11**

- ISSUED BY: Bureau of Child Protective Services Division of Family Well-Being and Protection
- SUBJECT: Employees' Manual, Title 18, Chapter C(2), *Service Provision Case Management*, Title Page, Contents 1, Contents 2 and 3, revised; Contents 4, new; 1-14, 15 and 16, 17, 18-40, 41-104, revised; and 105-120, new.

# Summary

This chapter is revised to

- Update language relating to SBC and to add a section on Transportation
- Update style and branding throughout.

# **Effective Date**

Upon receipt.

# **Material Superseded**

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Contents 2 and 3	May 10, 2024
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15 and 16	October 2, 2020
17	June 30, 2023
18-40	December 16, 2022
41-104	May 10, 2024

# **Additional Information**