

**DATE:** May 10, 2006

**TO:** District Administrators and Community-Based Care CEOs

**THROUGH:** Don Winstead, Deputy Secretary  
Greg Keller, Assistant Secretary for Operations  
David Fairbanks, Director of Provider Relations

**FROM:** Beth Englander, Director  
Office of Family Safety

**SUBJECT:** Administrative Rule 65C-31 – Young Adult Services

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The department has entered into to a settlement agreement regarding the Administrative Rule 65C-31 on Young Adult Services. As a result of this agreement, two modifications to current requirements are effective upon receipt of this memorandum:

- 1) The previous limit of \$1,000 on aftercare is no longer in effect, and,
- 2) The previous limit of \$5,000 on transitional support services is also no longer in effect.

These limits were initially established as a mechanism to assist in controlling expenditures. The statutory provision that expenditures are subject to the availability of funds remains in effect, but there are no specific limits in rule on the amount of aftercare or transitional support services that can be provided to an individual young adult. Therefore, each CBC Lead Agency will be responsible for establishing whatever controls it determines to be appropriate.

In addition, all reductions to Road to Independence (RTI) awards must be rescinded if the award reduction is currently under appeal and the appellant is being provided “aid paid pending.” The awards must be recalculated using the needs assessment process contained in Administrative Rule 65C-31, which will be posted on the Florida Administrative Weekly before the end of May 2006. This process will apply to approximately 72 RTI awards.

These provisions are in effect as of receipt of this memorandum. If you have any questions, please contact Joel Atkinson, Independent Living Program Manger, at 850-921-4118.