Subject: Referrals – Accessing Community Services and Resources

Source: Source: This policy complies with Head Start Performance Standard 45 CFR 1304.40 (b).

Policy

All referrals must be documented on the "In-House –Referral" form, by checking the concern: *(Check all that apply)*

Attendance	Child Development	Family Development
Classroom	Communication	Emergency (Food, Shelter, Etc)
Home Visit	Motor	Mental Health (Depression, Etc)
Child Health	Cognitive	Substance Abuse
Health/Medical	Social-Emotional	Domestic/Family Violence
Dental	Self-Help	Parenting/Child Management
Nutrition	Other	Financial
Mental Health (Behavior	;)	Other

Procedure

- 1. An In-House Referral will be the form used for any type of referral. Complete all information that may be pertinent to the situation.
- 2. Send/email the completed In House Referral form to the main office by the center director to the intended manager.
- 3. Once the appropriate manager gets the documentation, they have up to ten days to follow up on the information. If this is a food referral, this should be done **immediately** to make sure family members have food as soon as possible. Call the Social Services Manager and fax the in House Referral to 940-687-0800.
- 4. After the referral has been received by the intended manager, that manager will locate the resource for the family then complete the In-House-Referral follow-up portion of the form.
- 5. After all has been completed the manager will complete a follow up and place copy of the in house referral form along with the referral /referral follow up form in the child's binder under the section of the content area.