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YDC/YFC Interim Per Diem Rates
Effective July 1, 2008

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SCOPE: County Commissioners and Executives
County Children and Youth Administrators
Chief Juvenile Probation Officers
County Children and Youth Fiscal Officers
Juvenile Court Judges' Commission
Youth Development Center/Youth Forestry Camp Facility Directors

PURPOSE:

To advise counties of the Fiscal Year (FY) 2008-2009 interim per diem rates for the Department's Youth Development Centers and Youth Forestry Camps (YDCs/YFCs). These interim per diem rates will be effective July 1, 2008. Tentative interim per diem rates for FY 2009-2010 are also being provided for planning purposes.

Per Diem Rates

Counties are responsible for 40 percent of the cost of care of youth placed in residential care and secure care at state-owned and operated and state-contracted facilities that serve delinquent youth. Per diem rates are calculated based on total costs and total days of care adjusted by revenues. The table on page 2 of this bulletin shows the estimated interim per diem rates for each facility in the YDC/YFC system. The interim rates will be used to calculate the YDC/YFC billings to counties for their share of the cost of care for the identified fiscal years.

Counties should note that state-owned/operated delinquency facilities have no right to refuse admission to youth committed to them by a county juvenile court. These facilities are also responsible for paying the full cost of medical care, psychiatric care and psychological services. Federal regulations prohibit delinquent youth committed to a public facility from receiving Medical Assistance benefits while in the facility.

REFER COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS REGARDING THIS BULLETIN TO:

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**YDC/YFC Interim Per Diem Rates for
Fiscal Year 2008-2009 - Effective July 1, 2008
and
YDC/YFC Tentative Interim Per Diem Rates for FY 2009-2010**

Facility	Level	Interim Rates FY 08-09	Tentative Interim Rates FY 09-10
Youth Forestry Camp #2	Residential	\$251	\$266
Youth Forestry Camp #3	Residential	\$296	\$314
Loysville Youth Development Center	Intermediate and High Security	\$329	\$349
North Central Secure Treatment Unit	High Security – Male and Female	\$419	\$444
New Castle Youth Development Center	Intermediate and High Security	\$403	\$427
South Mountain Secure Treatment Unit	High Security	\$445	\$472
Cresson Secure Treatment Unit	High Security	\$353	\$374