TUSCARAWAS COUNTY JOB & FAMILY SERVICES TRANSPORTATION OF CHILDREN IN AGENCY CUSTODY

POLICY

Tuscarawas County Job & Family Services allows foster parents to consent for children in the custody of the agency to travel in vehicles and with persons consistent with the directives of the agency and the judgment of the foster parents.

PROCEDURE

- 1. A foster child being transported by anyone other than the child's foster parent, agency staff, the child's parent or other approved family member, or staff from any foster care network is considered an exception to the existing agency policy.
- 2. In the absence of any directive from agency staff to the contrary, foster parents may consent to a child in the custody of the agency being transported by a licensed driver who possesses appropriate insurance coverage. This may include a licensed, insured driver under the age of 18 as long as all applicable laws and regulations regarding the number of passengers and time of travel are followed.
- 3. Any time a foster parent allows a child in the custody of the agency to travel or be transported by anyone other than their foster parent, agency staff, the child's parent or other approved family member, or staff from the foster care network, the foster parent or foster care network must make a notation in their monthly report, JFS CM 92(a) or CM 92(b), which is provided to the agency. The same must note:
 - a. The name of the driver
 - b. The date the child was transported
 - c. The event or circumstance to which the child was transported

Michelle Tope, Director Date Date Date 29, 2013