

**Subject : Family and Community Resources**

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### **Policy**

Parents are involved in the identification and use of family and community resources to meet the basic life support needs of the family.

### **Procedure**

1. Parents are provided or made aware of available community resources such as adult classes, financial assistance programs, and employment counseling.
2. Each family receives a comprehensive Resource Brochure at orientation with instructions on how to use it to access information/services.
3. On home visits and other opportunities as they arise, Social Services Manager/FSW/Home-based teacher will give referrals based on needs the families have identified in the Family Partnership Agreement process.
4. Staff will send information on other opportunities for education, community collaboration and resource/referral to parents as they receive it. These will be posted on parent bulletin boards, referenced at parent meetings, home visits, and in monthly newsletters.