

Appendix A
School District and Family Center LCTS Services/Programs

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, there has been an increase in the number of children with behavioral and family problems requiring interagency intervention; and

WHEREAS, there has been an increase in the number of these children requiring placement out of their homes in facilities located outside the County and the School Districts of Cass County; and

WHEREAS, the cost of treatment, room and board to the Agency and the cost of education to districts, for out of county placements have strained their respective budgets; and

WHEREAS, Cass County, Cass County Schools, Cass County Family Centers and the Cass County Children's Initiative have a commitment to service children locally

NOW, THEREFORE, Cass County Commissioners, Cass County School Districts, Cass County Family Centers and the Cass County Children's Initiative hereby agree to participate in the provision of developing and providing preventive or early intervention services to children, adolescents and families at risk.

Eligible parties are: Pillager School District, Pine River-Backus School District, Walker-Hackensack-Akeley School District, Cass Lake-Bena School District, Northland Community Schools and the three Cass County Family Centers (Northland, Pillager, Pine River-Backus).

II. EACH OF THE PARTICIPATING PARTIES AGREES TO:

1. Develop and provide LCTS qualified preventive or early intervention services to children, adolescents and families at risk.
2. Maintain records according to mutually agreed upon standards and make such records available to other parties to the Agreement for inspection or audit as requested, subject to the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act and 20 U.S.C. 1232g, and the rules promulgated thereunder.
3. Ensure that project personnel whose cooperation and involvement are necessary for the success of the project are available to participate as needed.
4. Maintain all records necessary to gain maximum reimbursement for services delivered.

III. EACH OF THE PARTICIPATING SCHOOL DISTRICT ENTITIES AGREES TO:

1. The participating school district will pay the actual expenses as detailed in the annual, qualifying program budget for developing and providing qualifying LCTS preventive or early intervention services to children, adolescents and families at risk.

2. It shall be the responsibility of the school districts to provide the Children's Initiative fiscal agent the specific invoices and certification, on or before July 30 of each year.

IV. EACH OF THE PARTICIPATING FAMILY CENTER ENTITIES

AGREES TO:

1. Provide timely, consistent data requested in how Integrate Funds were used towards qualifying preventive or early intervention services to children adolescents and families at risk.
2. It shall be the responsibility of the Family Centers to provide the Children's Initiative fiscal agent the specific invoices and certification, anytime during the year after January 15 and before October 31.

V. THE BOARD AGREES TO:

1. Assist school districts in the development of a contract that is satisfactory to all participating partners. If the contract developed is not satisfactory to a participating partner, then that partner shall not be required to sign the contract.
2. Reimburse, via itemized invoices, each of the participating school districts up to the Board designated amount for the qualifying LCTS program that engages preventive or early intervention services, including CTSS, to children, adolescents and families at risk. Payment will be made within 30 days of the end of the current school year invoice.
3. Any current year designated LCTS qualifying program funds per school district not needed for these services, may be applied towards CTSS services approved by the Cass County Children's Initiative Board.
4. Process itemized invoices up to the Board designated amount to the following, for qualified preventive or early intervention services to children, adolescents and families at risk, including Home Visiting programs: Northland Family Center, Pillager Family Center, and Pine River-Backus Family Center, payment will be made within 30 days of the invoice date.