#### DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

CHILDREN'S DIVISION

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#### What's Inside:

Legacy Common Vendor Area Screen Changes

# **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** REGIONAL EXECUTIVE STAFF, CIRCUIT MANAGERS,

AND CHILDREN'S DIVISION STAFF AND ALL FAMILY SUPPORT DIVISION REGIONAL AND COUNTY STAFF

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**FAMILY SUPPORT DIVISION** 

SUBJECT: LEGACY COMMON VENDOR AREA SCREEN CHANGES

FOR DEPARTMENTAL VENDOR NUMBER ASSIGNMENT

**REFERENCE:** CHILDREN'S DIVISION

FAMILY SUPPORT DIVISION

#### **DISCUSSION:**

This memorandum outlines changes in the Legacy Common Vendor Area for assigning of Departmental Vendor Numbers (DVN) and updating vendor information of providers doing business with the Department of Social Services (DSS). This change will affect all DVNs assigned by DSS and Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) staff.

Vendor numbers are assigned to providers through the DSS Legacy Common Vendor Area screens. Effective February 6, 2009, the assignment and update of provider DVN's is revised to:

- 1. Require entry of a valid Tax Identification Number (TIN) and IRS Name at the time of DVN assignment, and;
- 2. Display "V" on VNMI to indicate a tax identification number and Internal Revenue Service (IRS) name combination is verified.

Note: Verified provider tax information is updated by an electronic process after acceptable verification of the information is submitted and validated by the IRS.

# EXAMPLES OF LEGACY VENDOR SYSTEM CHANGES

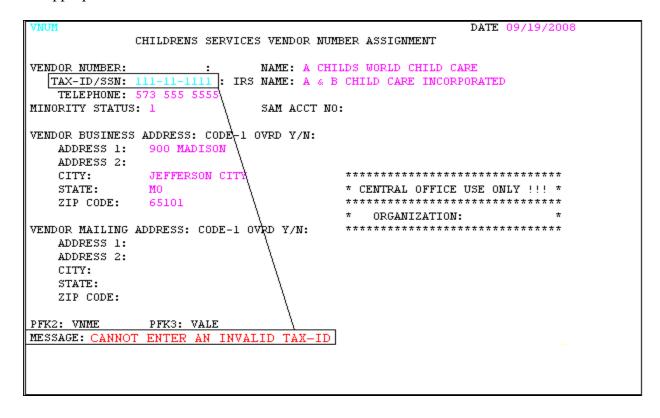
VNUM: Entries are required in the Name, Tax-ID, Minority Status, Telephone, Address 1, City, State, and Zip Code fields to assign a DVN. In addition, for child care providers, the IRS name is also required.

VNUM	DATE 09/19/2008
CHILDRENS SERVICES VENDOR NUMBER ASSIGNMENT	
VENDOR NUMBER: : NAME: A CHILDS WORLD CHILD CARE TAX-ID/SSN: 43-1234567 : IRS NAME: A 5 B CHILD CARE INCORPORATED TELEPHONE: 573 555 5555 MINORITY STATUS: 1 SAM ACCT NO:	
VENDOR BUSINESS ADDRESS: CODE-1 OVRD Y/N:	
ADDRESS 1: 900 MADISON	
ADDRESS 2:	
CITY: JEFFERSON CITY	******
STATE: NO	* CENTRAL OFFICE USE ONLY !!! *
ZIP CODE: 65101	******
	* ORGANIZATION: *
VENDOR MAILING ADDRESS: CODE-1 OVRD Y/N: ************************************	
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CITY:	MATORY FOR DVN ASSIGNMENT
STATE:	
ZIP CODE:	
PFK2: VNME PFK3: VALE	
MESSAGE: ENTER VENDOR DATA	

When an invalid TIN is entered, the message "Cannot Enter an Invalid Tax-ID" displays. A valid Tax Identification Number must be entered at the time of DVN assignment on VNUM. Invalid numbers such as 111-11-111, 123-45-6789, etc will not be accepted.

Note: The TIN number is assigned only by the IRS. As a part of the validation process, DSS is to review and only accept IRS documentation. No other number can be used in lieu of a TIN assigned by the IRS. The provider is to submit proof from the IRS of their valid TIN. For examples of appropriate IRS documentation, please reference Section II of the CSIPS Payment Handbook at the following link:

http://dssweb/fsd/administration/fmos/docs/csips handbook files.pdf. When the provider does not submit a valid TIN, the provider should be advised to contact the IRS for appropriate documentation.



When the IRS validates the combination of TIN and name submitted by DSS, a verification code of "V" displays on VNMI.

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VNMI 012345678
                                                                     09/19/2008
NAME OF CHILD
                       CHILDREN SERVICES VENDOR INQUIRY
CARE FACILITY
VENDOR NUMBER:
                                  SAM ACCT NO:
                                                        LAST UPDATE: 07/15/2004
VENDOR NAME:
               BRIGHT CHILDREN IN CARE
                                                        MINORITY: 1
     TAX-ID / SSN:
                                 AUNT BEA'S BRIGHT CHILDREN
                                                                           ٧:
                                                                          :
     PAYEE DVN
     PAYEE NAME :
                              V= COMBINATION OF TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
                              AND NAME MATCHES IRS RECORDS
TELEPHONE NO.: 573-555-5555
BUSINESS ADDRESS
    ADDRESS 1: 123 MAIN STREET
    ADDRESS 2:
           : JEFFERSON CITY
    CITY
                                  STATE: MO
                                               ZIP: 65101 3334
MAILING ADDRESS
    ADDRESS 1:
    ADDRESS 2:
    CITY
                                  STATE:
                                               ZIP:
                         PFK9: VPAR
                                                  PFK7: VNMA
PFK3: VALL PFK4: VTXI
MESSAGE: INQUIRY COMPLETE
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Additionally, the DHSS/Section for Child Care Regulation staff has access to assign DVNs for child care providers. However, DHSS staff does not have regulatory authority to require tax information from its providers. System edits have been created to allow DHSS staff to assign a DVN without entering a TIN or IRS name. This will assist in the reduction of invalid tax information. This edit is only applicable to DHSS staff. When a child care provider is awarded a contract by DSS, Contract Management staff in Central Office will enter the TIN from the IRS documentation submitted by the provider. The child care contract will not be awarded without the appropriate IRS documentation.

#### **NECESSARY ACTION**

- 1. Review this memorandum with all Children's Division staff.
- 2. All questions should be cleared through normal supervisory channels and directed to:

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# **CHILD WELFARE MANUAL REVISIONS**

N/A.

## FORMS AND INSTRUCTIONS

N/A.

#### REFERENCE DOCUMENTS AND RESOURCES

http://dssweb/fsd/administration/fmos/docs/csips\_handbook\_files.pdf

#### RELATED STATUTE

N/A.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE RULE

N/A.

# **COUNCIL ON ACCREDITATION (COA) STANDARDS**

N/A.

## CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES REVIEW (CFSR)

N/A.

#### PROTECTIVE FACTORS

Parental Resilience - N/A.

Social Connections - N/A.

Knowledge of Parenting and Child Development - N/A.

Concrete Support in Times of Need - N/A.

Social and Emotional Competence of Children - N/A.

# **FACES REQUIREMENTS**

N/A.