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TO: COUNTY WELFARE BOARDS

RE: Ruling No. 23

Attached is a new Ruling No. 23, Responsibility for Cases of Unattached Children Referred from Out-of-State. Additional copies for distribution to staff are being forwarded under separate cover.

We believe the contents are self-explanatory. Should you have any question please discuss with your Field Representative.

Very truly yours,

DEPARTMENT OF INSTITUTIONS AND AGENCIES

Irving Engelman, Chief

Bureau of Assistance

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Approved Elmer V. Andrews, Director Division of Welfare

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INTRODUCTION

There has been increasing concern within the Department regarding requests from other states related to planning for the care in New Jersey of unattached children found in need while living in other states. These requests often concern minor children who leave New Jersey on their own initiative and become stranded; children who may be reunited with a parent or parents now residing in New Jersey; children whose parents or others with whom they left this State are no longer available to care for them; or, children born in other states who are without parents or others to care for them, and for whom plans are being considered for care in New Jersey.

A. Definition of Unattached Child

For purposes of this regulation, an "unattached child" shall mean any person under 21 years of age who is unaccompanied by a parent or spouse.

B. Statement of Policy

Because of special competence in the field of child welfare the State Board of Child Welfare will assume complete responsibility for developing plans for unattached children from out-of-State whose care in New Jersey is requested. This will include financial assistance from the State Board of Child Velfare when eligibility is established for one of the programs administered by that agency.

C. Procedures

In order to carry out this policy the following procedures shall be observed:

1. Referral to Central Office of State Board of Child Welfare

All referrals or requests from out-of-State concerning unattached children (whether received by letter, telephone or other means), shall be immediately referred to the <u>Division of Inter-Agency Services</u>, State Board of Child Welfare 163 W. Hanover Street, Trenton 25.

2. Reports to Central Office, SBCW

The county welfare board making the referral shall transmit to the Division of Inter-Agency Services, SBCW, the original inquiry (if by letter), and a summary statement of any information available in agency records. The county welfare board is not required to make any investigation of the facts, nor to enter into correspondence or other negotiations with individuals or agencies out-of-State prior to the referral to the SBCW.

3. Effective Date of Regulation

This regulation shall be effective immediately.

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Regulations consistent with this policy are being issued concurrently to the District Offices of the SBCW and to the municipal welfare departments.

Any out-of-State referrals or requests concerning unattached children presently under consideration by a county welfare board shall be immediately referred to the Division of Inter-Agency Services, SBCM, in accordance with above instructions.

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