**441—152.5 (234)** Contract. All providers shall enter into a contract with the department using Form 470-3052, Foster Group Care Services Contract.

**152.5(1)** Contract effective date. When the agreed-upon contract conditions have been met, the effective date of a new contract, a renewed contract, or an amendment to add a new service code to the contract is the day following signature of the director of the department or the director's designee, unless the provider and the department agree to a later specified date.

*a.* The contract shall be effective only after the provider is licensed to provide foster group care services as described in subrule 152.2(1).

b. The contract shall be effective only when signed by all parties as required by paragraph 152.4(3) "d."

**152.5(2)** *Liability for payment.* The department shall not be liable for payment for any programs or services before:

a. The contract effective date, or

b. The effective date of the rate for the program or service.

**152.5(3)** *Term of contract.* Pursuant to the provisions of 11—Chapters 106 and 107, the term of the contract is limited to no more than six years from the effective date of the contract.

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