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PURPOSE:

The purpose of this policy is to outline for current and potential Board members the financial and participatory expectation of holding a National Center for Innovation and Excellence seat. In order to promote the mission, vision and purpose of The National Center for Innovation and Excellence and in an effort to substantiate commitment to the cause of protecting children, strengthening families and changing lives, Board members will make an annual donation. This policy sets the guidelines for member donations for the purpose of establishing The National Center for Innovation and Excellence credibility and to strengthen potential Grant and funding solicitations. Members who are unable to donate as a result of regulations or guidelines that prohibit them from doing so will promote the vision and mission of the organization through attendance at events.

References: GOV 009 Board Member Role, GOV 011 GOVERNANCE MODEL

POLICY:

Annual Contribution:

Board members will contribute an annual donation in an amount that is deemed reasonable by the individual member. Members will represent the interests of The National Center for Innovation and Excellence across the community and among their colleagues; family and peer group and actively solicit contributions as the opportunity arises. When members successfully solicit a donation of either in kind or monetary form they will inform the Board Liaison to ensure a personal response is crafted. Annual board donations and or annual pledges will be made at the Annual Board Meeting. Board donations are intended to demonstrate a member's commitment and support for the mission of The National Center for Innovation and Excellence. Staff will compile and aggregate the total amount donated by the Board members and the member will receive an acknowledgement and receipt from BFP staff. This information will be used primarily for solicitation of funding through grants and related activities. It is understood that unless otherwise authorized by the Board, the contributions made by Board members are confidential.

Events:

To the extent possible, it is expected that Board members will attend a minimum of two (2) events on an annual basis. Other events which have a ticket price will be paid for by the Board members and guests unless otherwise determined by the Board of Directors and/or availability of



funding. Board members are encouraged to attend events that do not carry a cover charge or ticket price where partners and community members participate.

It is anticipated that Board members will avail themselves of these opportunities to network on behalf of the agency and as an endorsement of the agencies mission, vision and purpose.

Special Activities:

There may be special activities locally or out of town which have significant impact on the organization and its continued viability. These may be in the form of legislative sessions, the annual Dependency Court Summit, and public hearings sponsored by either the DCF Secretary or the FCC (Florida Coalition for Children) the Brevard County Board of County Commissioners or other parties vested in child welfare in the State of Florida. These activities may require Board participation and active involvement to support not only The National Center for Innovation and Excellence initiative and children and families served, but on a local level, the System of Care developed by Brevard County.

For these events, Board members will be solicited to attend and demonstrate their ongoing support. They may also be asked to participate in panel discussions or to represent the interests of the organization to officials and legislators. When these events occur outside of Brevard County, or involve an entire day, those Board members who attend will be reimbursed for allowable travel expenses according to the DCF travel policy in force for all The National Center for Innovation and Excellence staff.

Approved by The National Center for Innovation and Excellence Board of Directors 2014

AS APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

BY DIRECTION OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER:

MS. KATHLEEN RICH-NEW
Chair

Signature Date: October 23, 2014

DR. PATRICIA NELLIUS
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Signature Date: 10/23/14