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NH Healthy Families Sponsors New Initiative for Youth in Foster Care Transition

Bedford, NH – NH Healthy Families, a New Hampshire-based managed care organization, recently delivered 200 Comfort-To-Go bags to the Division of Children, Youth and Families (DCYF) for children transitioning into the state Foster Care program.

The Comfort-To-Go bags are designed to provide basic care items that can travel with children transitioning into Foster Care. The items include a sturdy duffle bag, blanket, hot/cold tumbler, dental kit, ear buds and a journal and pen.

"These bags are a fantastic idea," said Dartmouth Hitchcock Pediatric Nurse Practitioner, Evie Stacy, MS, APRN. "Providing a child with comfort items like these in a time of transition reminds them that they are valuable and important."

In addition to providing the Comfort-To-Go bags, NH Healthy Families visits each region of the state to provide information about medical benefits, value added programs, and how the organization supports its members in Foster Care.

NH Healthy Families' Senior Vice President of Medical Management, Caroline Vitiello, said "Our precept: 'meeting our members wherever they are' is always at the forefront of our MemberConnections® team. It is what enables us to roll up our sleeves to identify needs, and help solve real issues facing our members."

Comfort-To-Go is one of a dozen initiatives within NH Healthy Families' robust Youth Program, supporting young members from birth to adulthood.

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