



Discretionary Services Fee Schedule Credentialed Services



Temporary Care Services

Service Description:

Temporary Care is a service that provides a short-term break or intervention for a child or youth. This service should not be used in lieu of daycare services. Temporary care should be used as a time limited service while a more sustainable plan for care is developed.

Some examples of appropriate use of temporary care include but aren't limited to;

- When a child/youth is on a school suspension
- When a child/youth is removed on an emergency basis
- Other scenarios will be reviewed on a case by case basis

In order to emphasize consistency and relationship building, it is expected that the same staff person will continually provide this service throughout the course of care while the child or youth remains involved. Any changes in staff must be discussed with and approved by the Department Area Office.

Duration:

Temporary Care Services is short-term and can be provided from one to several hours based on the individual need of the child or youth. Services will not be provided during overnight hours.

Services may be provided on a regular basis after school or during evening hours.

The Department, will approve the provision of Temporary Care Services for a total of 70 hours or 90 days, whichever comes first.

Note: Service hours are not to exceed the total of 70 hours or 90 days, whichever comes first. Providers will only be paid with an approved WAF in place.

Service Type:

- Temporary Care Service – In Home (294)
- Temporary Care Service – Foster Care (372)

Service Rate (Maximum):

- \$27 per hour

Group Events:

If approved by the Area Office as it relates to individual case plans children can participate in a group activity. The rate will be \$27.00 per hour plus an additional \$13.50 per hour per additional child. For example, 3 children with one Temporary Care Staff at \$27.00 + \$13.50 + \$13.50 per hour and will be billed at \$54.00 per hour.

No Shows:

DCF does not reimburse for “**NO SHOWS**” if the appointment has been cancelled by DCF before the provider/staff has left for the service. If DCF fails to cancel the appointment, payment will be a flat fee of \$30 if the total miles from/ to the credentialed staff’s starting location or where the agency vehicle is garaged to/ from child's location is 20 miles or under and \$50 if the total miles from/ to the credentialed staff’s location to/ from child's location is over 20 miles.

(footnote 1) Only time spent delivering the service is reimbursable. For example, time spent driving is not reimbursable, unless transporting the child receiving the service.

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