

2702 OUT-OF-STATE FOSTER CARE RATES

Chapter: **Fiscal Management**

Section: **Rates**



New Hampshire Division for Children, Youth and Families Policy Manual

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Related Statute(s): [RSA 170-E](#), and [RSA 170-G](#)
Related Admin Rule(s): [He-C 6347](#), [He-C 6423](#),
and [He-C 6446](#)

Related Federal Regulation(s):

Related Form(s):
Bridges' Screen(s) and Attachment(s):

All children and youth belong with family. When children must be temporarily placed away from their families and no appropriate relative care provider is immediately available, DCYF will provide a daily stipend to a foster family to offset the costs of caring for the child/youth in their home and for the work they do to support the child/youth's case plan.

Purpose

To set the out-of-state foster care rates that Licensed, Permitted or Approved foster family care providers are reimbursed for providing board and care to children/youth in placement.

Definitions

"**DCYF**" or the "**Division**" means the Department of Health and Human Services' Division for Children, Youth and Families.

"**General Care**" means a credential for foster family care where shelter, supervision, and support services are provided.

"**Specialized Care**" means a credential for foster family care where shelter, supervision, and support services are provided to children/youth identified as needing specialized care, by foster parents who have met the additional training and care requirements pursuant to He-C 6347.

Policy

- I. Children/youth placed in out-of-state foster homes by DCYF are supported at the established General Care Rates:

Age of Child	Daily Rate
Birth through 5 years	\$16.59
6 through 11 years	\$18.00
12 years and older	\$21.41

- II. NH foster parents who are receiving the higher specialized care rate for the child/youth in their care and who move to another state with the child/youth continue to receive the specialized care rate as long as the child/youth remains with the family.
- A. The family must apply and receive an approval to operate a foster home in the state in which they are residing.

- B. If the child/youth is temporarily placed in a residential treatment program and the foster family continues to be the visiting resource, then the specialized rate is to be re-authorized when the child/youth returns to their home.
- III. Specialized care rate is not available to out-of-state providers unless their resident state has a licensing category that is comparable to NH's Foster Family Care Licensing Requirements and documentation of training is provided.
- IV. Only the actual days a child/youth resides in the foster family's home are reimbursed. See [policy 2701](#) for payment procedures.
- V. To complete the placement and enroll the out-of-state provider, the CPSW/JPPPO must work with the Interstate Compact on Placing Children Deputy Compact Administrator pursuant to [policy 1585](#) ICPC When NH is the Sending State.