

**TEMPORARY
BREAK BED HOLD
PAYMENTS**

Placement with a provider is on a seven-day per week basis. A new placement must be entered for the following temporary breaks. Exceptions must meet the criteria outlined below for distinct types of temporary breaks.

- Absent without legal permission (AWOLP).
- Detention.
- Jail.
- Medical hospitalization.
- Psychiatric hospitalization.

The intent of this policy is to encourage continuity of placement.

Note: Title IV-E funds can be used to pay for a bed hold payment only when the **youth returns to the most recent placement** within 14 calendar days. Any payment for a temporary break exceeding the 14 calendar day maximum and/or in a situation in which the child does not return to the placement must be authorized from the child's alternate fund source.

Payment for bed holds is to be made from the child's fund source effective the date before the temporary break.

All bed hold payment requests must be submitted to MDHHS-federalcompliance@mdhhs.state.mi.us on a MDHHS-5406, Bed Hold Payment Request. If approved, the Federal Compliance Division (FCD) will add the manual payment request into MiSACWIS.

**AWOLP/Detention/
Jail**

- AWOLP includes trancies and escapes.
- Placement must be updated in MiSACWIS to AWOLP, Detention, and Jail effective the first date of the AWOLP, Detention, and Jail placement.
- The provider must be willing to accept the youth back after the temporary break for a bed hold payment to be considered.

- The bed hold payment request can include the DOC, administrative or residential rate if applicable.
- Bed hold payments for AWOLP, Detention, and Jail are limited to five days only.
- The five-day bed hold payment can only be paid from title IV-E funds if the youth returns to the most recent placement within 14 calendar days.

Medical and Psychiatric Hospitalization

Hospitalization in which the foster parents or placement agency foster care (PAFC) staff continues active involvement are eligible for a bed hold payment. The placement must be changed effective the date the child is admitted into the hospital. The reason for the hospitalization is to be documented in the child's service plan.

Temporary break of five days or less:

- For PAFC supervised cases, MDHHS prior approval is not required for a bed hold payment request five days or less.

Temporary break of six to 14 days:

- The county director must provide written approval on the MDHHS-5406 to request the bed hold payment for more than a five-day period.
- The child and provider (or Child Caring Institution (CCI)) still consider the placement to be intact.
- The provider, PAFC or CCI remains actively involved with the child and/or his/her family.
- The worker must confirm with the provider that they are willing to accept the child back following the temporary break. All bed hold payment requests must be submitted to MDHHS-federalcompliancedivision@michigan.gov on a MDHHS-5406, Bed Hold Payment Request. If approved, the Federal Compliance Division (FCD) will add the manual payment request into MiSACWIS.

Temporary break of 15 days or more:

- Payments for a CCI, determination of care (DOC) supplements or any PAFC administrative rates above the general foster care administrative rate are not to be approved beyond 14 calendar days.
- The county director may approve payment of the age appropriate rate and the PAFC general foster care administrative rate, if appropriate, only if unique circumstances exist.
- This approval requires the MDHHS-5406 describing the unique circumstances and the time frame for the extension. Title IV-E payments cannot be used and the alternate fund source must be used if the child did not return to the previous placement within 14 calendar days.
- The MDHHS-5406 must be submitted to MDHHS-federalcompliance@michigan.gov every 14 calendar days to ensure that the provider continues to receive payment during the extended temporary break.