

**FOSTER FAMILY CARE AND INDEPENDENT LIVING - EFFECTIVE 10/1/2023**

The following are the approved maintenance payment rates for youth placed in foster family care or independent living; these rates cannot be negotiated:

**DAILY RATES PAID BIWEEKLY**

Age Group	Room & Board	Personal Incidentals & Allowance	Clothing	Daily Total	Biweekly Total	Semiannual Clothing
00-12	\$16.96	\$3.68	\$1.71	\$22.35	\$312.90	\$107
13-18	\$20.19	\$4.59	\$1.91	\$26.69	\$373.66	\$122

Effective on the child's 13th birthday, the maintenance rate is automatically increased.

**INDEPENDENT LIVING (IL)**

Age Group	Room & Board	Personal Incidentals & Allowance	Clothing	Daily Total	Biweekly Total	Semiannual Clothing
IL	None	None	None	\$27.56	\$385.84	None

The \$27.56 daily total for independent living includes the semiannual clothing allowance.

**DETERMINATION OF CARE (DOC) SUPPLEMENTS - EFFECTIVE 10/1/2001**

Age or Special Need	Use Form	Level I	Level II	Level III
AGE 0-12	<a href="#">DHS-470</a>	\$5	\$10	\$15
AGE 13-18	<a href="#">DHS-470A</a>	\$6	\$11	\$16
Medically Fragile	<a href="#">DHS-1945</a>	\$8	\$13	\$18

See [FOM 903-3, Payment for Foster Family/Relative Care](#)

To ensure adequate support to children, foster parents, and relative caregivers a DOC rate can be provided **in addition to the daily foster care maintenance rates**. DOC rates are based on the needs of the child versus the foster parent/relative caregiver activities. A DOC level IV is a negotiated rate up to \$150 per day.

**INITIAL CLOTHING ALLOWANCE - EFFECTIVE 10/1/2001**

Maximum allowable initial clothing supplements for children first entering department foster care have been established as follows:

This initial clothing allowance is a supplement only, based upon determined need, and is not an automatic allowance provided to every child entering care. More information regarding policy requirements can be found in [FOM 903-9, Case Service Payments](#).

Age Group	Maximum Initial Clothing Allowance
00-05	\$210
06-12	\$310
13-18	\$500

**HOLIDAY ALLOWANCE - EFFECTIVE 10/1/2001**

Each foster child in state paid placement on November 30 of each year is eligible to receive a holiday allowance of \$25. This is a personal incidental for the child. This allowance will automatically be paid to the placement provider on the first payroll following Dec. 1 each year. More information regarding policy requirements can be found in [FOM 903-9, Case Service Payments](#).