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DEAR COUNTY DIRECTOR OF SOCIAL SERVICES

ATTENTION: CHILD WELFARE FOSTER CARE AND ADOPTION SUPERVISORS AND FISCAL STAFF

SUBJECT:FOSTER CARE RATES AND PROVIDERS PARTICIPATING IN COSTMODELED RATES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2009-2010

This letter will provide county agencies with guidance as to foster care rates and providers who have completed the rate setting process and are eligible for Cost Modeled Rates for the 2009-2010 fiscal year.

STANDARD BOARD RATES FOR FOSTER CARE AND ADOPTION SERVICES

The legislation has not made changes to previously stated rates for foster care services or adoption assistance. The ongoing rates for the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 are as follows:

Child Age Group	Standard Board Rate
0-5	\$ 475 / month
6 – 12	\$ 581 / month
13 and up	\$ 634 / month

As related to foster care services, the rates above should be utilized for licensed placements including, but not limited to:

- County DSS supervised family foster homes
- Therapeutic family foster care services (level 2)
- Residential Treatment (level 2)

STANDARDIZED RATES FOR CHILD PLACING AGENCIES AND RESIDENTIAL (CCI) FOSTER CARE FACILITIES

Through participation in an annual cost finding and rate setting process, Child Placing Agencies (CPA) and Child Care Institutions (CCI) agencies establish a supportable basis for state and federal participation above the standard board rate. The legislation has not made changes to previously rates. The ongoing rates for the Fiscal Year 2009-2010 are as follows:

CHILD PLACING AGENCY RATES FOR PARTICIPATING PROVIDERS (SEE ATTACHED LISTING OF AGENCIES)

Child Age Group	Maintenance Portion	Administrative Portion	Total Maximization Rate
0 - 5	\$ 475	\$ 958	\$ 1,433 / month
6 – 12	\$ 581	\$ 983	\$ 1,564 / month
13 and up	\$ 634	\$ 1004	\$ 1,638 / month

CCI OR RESIDENTIAL RATES FOR PARTICIPATING PROVIDERS (SEE ATTACHED LISTING OF AGENCIES)

Child Age Group	Maximization Rate
0-5	\$ 4,279 / month
6 – 12	\$ 4,437 / month
13 and up	\$ 4,516 / month

ROOM AND BOARD RATES FOR RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT LEVEL 3 AND LEVEL 4

Special treatment placement's daily rates have not changed for Residential Treatment care in Level 3 and Level 4 homes. These rates will continue at the following:

Care Level of Home	Number of Beds	Daily Rate
Level 3	0 – 4	\$ 43 / day
Level 3	5 and up	\$ 33 / day
Level 4	0 – 4	\$ 43 / day
Level 4	5 and up	\$40 / day

If you have any questions concerning rates or provider information, please contact Tina Bumgarner at <u>Tina.Bumgarner@dhhs.nc.gov</u> or by phone at (828) 397-3901.

Sincerely, Chause S. Johnson

Charisse S. Johnson, Chief Child Welfare Services

Attachment: Participating Placement Agencies 09-10

cc: Sherry S. Bradsher Jack Rogers Sarah Barham Child Welfare Services Team Leaders Children's Services Program Representatives Local Business Liaisons Regulatory and Licensing Services Consultants