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- Topic: Uniform Foster Care Rate Increase
- Tracking Code: BB 0003
- SBO team: Health and Insurance
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- Agency acronym: DHFS
- Agency number: 435
- Priority: High

Uniform Foster Care Rate Increase

Current Language

s. 48.62 (4) Monthly payments in foster care shall be provided according to the age-related rates specified in this subsection. Beginning on January 1, 2006, the age-related rates are: \$317 for children aged 4 and under; \$346 for children aged 5 to 11; \$394 for children aged 12 to 14 and \$411 for children aged 15 to 17. In addition to these grants for basic maintenance, the department shall make supplemental payments for special needs, exceptional circumstances, care in a treatment foster home and initial clothing allowances according to rules promulgated by the department.

Proposed Change

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Effect of the Change

This change will permanently increase the State's uniform foster care rates by 5% effective January 1, 2008 and an additional 5% effective January 1, 2009.

Rationale for the Change

The basic foster care rate is intended to cover the basic costs of care for a child. Foster parents, county child welfare workers, and children's advocates have said repeatedly that low foster care rates hinder recruitment efforts. For foster parents on modest incomes, the low monthly reimbursement rate does not provide the level of resources they need to care for the child.

Desired Effective Date: January 1, 2008
Agency: DHFS
Agency Contact: Nicole Groth
Phone: 266-9364



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For further information see the *state and local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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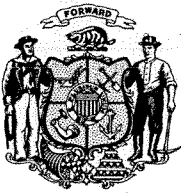
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History: 1977 c. 354 s. 101; 1977 c. 418, 447; 1981 c. 20; 1985 a. 29 s. 3202 (23); 1985 a. 176, 281, 332, 403; 1989 a. 31, 336; 1993 a. 395 ss. 31m, 39; 1993 a. 437 s. 67; 1993 a. 446 ss. 79 to 82, 134m; 1993 a. 491; 1995 a. 275; 1997 a. 27, 334; 1999 a. 9; 2001 a. 69; 2005 a. 25, 232, 387; s. 13.93 (2) (c).

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