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POLICY BULLETIN #06-81-ELI

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OCTOBER 2005 CHANGE IN CHILD CARE MARKET RATES

Date: June 1, 2006	Subtopic(s): Child Care
<p> This procedure can now be accessed on the FIAWeb.</p>	<p>Revisions to Original Policy Bulletin:</p> <p>This policy bulletin is being revised to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advise of changes made to the Maximum Child Care Rates form (W-667F): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ “Weekly Rates” is now “Weekly Full-Time Care Rates”; “Weekly Part-Day Rates” is now “Weekly Part-Time Care Rates”; ▪ The form has been streamlined to make it more readable. It is now divided into three sections: “Weekly Full-Time Care Rates,” “Weekly Part-Time Care Rates” and “Special Needs”; ▪ All references to “Daily Full-Day Rates” have been removed; ▪ The Legally-Exempt Family Child Care and Legally-Exempt In-Home Child Care box has been removed. Information for these rates is now listed as “Informal Provider”; ▪ The definition of weekly part-day rates has been changed from “between 15 and 29 hours per week” to “fewer than 30 hrs/week and less than 6 hrs/day”; ▪ The “Notes” section at the bottom of the form has been removed; ▪ The regulated care weekly rate for preschool children in registered group family day care has been changed from \$145 to \$150; and • Clarify when providers can be reimbursed <i>up to</i> the special needs market rates.

HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THIS PROCEDURE?
Call 718-557-1313 then press 2 at the prompt followed by 765 or
send an e-mail to *FIA Call Center*

Purpose:

This policy bulletin is to inform all staff of changes to the child care market rates that went into effect on October 1, 2005. As a result of these changes, the Maximum Child Care Rates form (**W-667F**) has been revised to reflect the new child care maximum reimbursable market rates as set forth by New York State.

HRA subsidizes child care, regardless of whether it is licensed or legally-exempt, up to the maximum rates established by the State that providers can be paid for child care services. Child care payments are for the actual cost of care (the amount charged by the provider), up to the market rate reflected on the **W-667F**.

Unregulated providers that wish to raise their rates must complete a new child care provider enrollment form with the parent. The parent must then submit the form according to current procedure.

Regulated providers must submit documentation of their published rates along with rate-increase requests to: Child Care Support Services, 109 East 16th Street, 6th floor, New York, NY 10003.

If the provider does not have a contract with the Agency to provide child care services and only cares for subsidized children, the actual cost of care is the amount s/he is currently receiving, unless the provider can demonstrate that the actual cost of care is higher.

The provider will receive either his/her documented rate or the market rate as reflected in the revised **W-667F**, whichever is less.

If a provider charges a rate higher than the market rate as reflected in the **W-667F**, it is the parent/legal guardian's responsibility to either pay the difference out of his/her personal budget or find a different child care provider. If the parent/legal guardian chooses to find a new provider, the Worker must give him/her at least two referrals to eligible and available providers.

Only providers caring for children who require *additional* child care-related services due to documented special needs can be reimbursed *up to* the special needs market rates. For a child to be considered special needs, a medical certification or an Individual Educational Plan (IEP) must be submitted to the JOS/Worker or designated Child Care Specialist and indicated in the Automated Child Care Information System (ACCIS).

To receive the special needs rates, additional child care-related services must be directly related to the child's documented special need.

See PB #06-37-OPE for more information on a provider raising his/her child care rates.

Revised

Maximum rate HRA will pay providers

See PD #05-16-EMP for more information on referring parents/guardians to child care providers.

Special needs care

Revised

Provider notification

Parents and providers who request information about maximum child care rates must be given a copy of the **W-667F**.

Center Directors/Office Site Managers must ensure that all prior versions of the **W-667F** are removed from circulation and recycled.

Effective Immediately

References:

05-OCFS-LCM-17

Related Items:

[PD #05-16-EMP](#)

[PB #06-37-OPE](#)

Attachments:

☞ Please use Print on Demand to obtain copies of forms.

W-667F Maximum Child Care Rates (Effective October 1, 2005) (Rev. 6/1/06)

W-667F (S) Maximum Child Care Rates (Effective October 1, 2005) (Spanish) (Rev. 6/1/06)



Maximum Child Care Rates
(Effective October 1, 2005)

HRA will pay the published rate the provider charges to a privately paying family or the maximum child care rate, whichever is less.

SAMPLE

New York State Maximum Allowable Child Care Subsidy Rates
Effective 10/1/2005

Day Care Center
Family DC
Group Family DC
School-Age Care
Informal Provider

Weekly Full-Time Care Rates (30+ hrs/week)			
Infant (Under 1 ½)	Toddler (1 ½ - 2)	Pre-School (3 - 5)	School-Age (6 - 12)
\$288.00	\$255.00	\$180.00	\$177.00
\$150.00	\$135.00	\$125.00	\$125.00
\$160.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$140.00
			\$177.00
\$105.00	\$95.00	\$88.00	\$88.00

Day Care Center
Family DC
Group Family DC
School-Age Care
Informal Provider

Weekly Part-Time Care Rates (fewer than 30 hrs/week and less than 6 hrs/day)			
Infant (Under 1 ½)	Toddler (1 ½ - 2)	Pre-School (3 - 5)	School-Age (6 - 12)
\$225.00	\$215.00	\$165.00	\$165.00
\$115.00	\$115.00	\$115.00	\$105.00
\$125.00	\$125.00	\$120.00	\$115.00
			\$165.00
\$80.00	\$85.00	\$85.00	\$75.00

Special Needs*
Weekly Full-Time Care Rate (30+ hrs/week)
\$300.00
Weekly Part-Time Care Rate (fewer than 30 hrs/week)
\$250.00
*Children up to age 19, with medical certification or an Individual Educational Plan (IEP). Special needs rate reimbursement determination will be based on the severity of the special need, the services provided by the child care provider and any accruing cost incurred as a result of caring for a special needs child.

Note: Hourly and daily rates are available. You will receive hourly rates when care is fewer than 15 hrs/wk, and fewer than 3 hours a day. You will receive daily rates when care is provided for 6 or more hours in one day and in five days the total amount of care is less than 30 hours.



Tarifas Máximas de Cuidado Infantil
(A partir de octubre 1 del 2005)

HRA pagará la menor de las siguientes dos cantidades: la tarifa publicada cobrada por el proveedor a familias que paguen por cuenta propia o la máxima tarifa de cuidado infantil.

Máximas Tarifas Permisibles de Subsidios de Cuidado Infantil
del Estado de Nueva York
A partir del 1 de octubre, 2005

Guardería Infantil
Cuidado Familiar
Cuidado Familiar en Grupo
Cuidado de Edad Escolar
Proveedor Informal

Tarifas Semanales a Tiempo Completo de Cuidado (30+ hrs/semana)				
	Bebé (Menos de 1 ½)	Niño Pequeño (1 ½ - 2)	Preescolar (3 - 5)	Edad Escolar (6 - 12)
Guardería Infantil	\$288.00	\$255.00	\$180.00	\$177.00
Cuidado Familiar	\$150.00	\$135.00	\$125.00	\$125.00
Cuidado Familiar en Grupo	\$160.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$140.00
Cuidado de Edad Escolar				\$177.00
Proveedor Informal	\$105.00	\$95.00	\$88.00	\$88.00
Tarifas Semanales a Tiempo Parcial de Cuidado (menos de 30 hrs/semana y menos de 6hrs/al día)				
	Bebé (Menos de 1 ½)	Niño Pequeño (1 ½ - 2)	Preescolar (3 - 5)	Edad Escolar (6 - 12)
Guardería Infantil	\$225.00	\$215.00	\$165.00	\$165.00
Cuidado Familiar	\$115.00	\$115.00	\$115.00	\$105.00
Cuidado Familiar en Grupo	\$125.00	\$125.00	\$120.00	\$115.00
Cuidado de Edad Escolar				\$165.00
Proveedor Informal	\$80.00	\$85.00	\$85.00	\$75.00

Necesidades Especiales*	
Tarifas Semanales a Tiempo Completo de Cuidado (30+ hrs/semana)	
\$300.00	
Tarifas Semanales a Tiempo Parcial de Cuidado (menos de 30 hrs/semana)	
\$250.00	
*Niños hasta la edad de 19 años, con comprobante médico o Plan Educativo Individual (Individual Educational Plan – IEP). La determinación de tarifa de necesidades especiales se basará en la gravedad de la necesidad especial, los servicios prestados por el proveedor de cuidado infantil y cualquier costo resultante del cuidado de un niño con necesidades especiales.	

Nota: Hay tarifas por hora y por día disponibles. Usted recibirá tarifas por hora cuando el cuidado es de menos de 15 horas/semana, y menos de 3 horas al día. Usted recibirá tarifas diarias si se presta cuidado por 6 o más horas en un día y en cinco días el cuidado total suma menos de 30 horas.