



COUNTY OF VENTURA HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY

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Director

POLICY:

When a social worker places a child, changes the placement, or at **six month reassessment**, the social worker shall review the special needs of each child. Based upon the criteria attached below the **highest level** of SCI shall be requested.

Rates are reviewed at six months intervals. The rate may be increased or decreased based on the needs of the child.

The Foster Parent will receive a Notice of Action whenever change occurs.

PROCEDURE:

RATE LEVEL	CRITERIA	RATE EFFECTIVE January 1, 2008
MODERATE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> x Behavior problems. x Twice monthly medical therapy or other appointments x Occasional bedwetting or soiling. x Minor physical problems, requiring special soap. x Child in cast, or simple injury. x Problems in school requiring some tutoring. x Emotional needs of the child require less than 20 miles daily total transportation. 	\$50 + basic foster care
SEVERE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> x Behavioral problems requiring considerable structure. x More than occasional bedwetting. x More than twice monthly transportation. x Special diet or formula x Physical problems requiring special care. x Supervision with prescribed medication, or diabetic child that self injects. x Emotional needs of the child requires more than 20 miles but less than 40 miles daily total transportation. 	\$164.00+ basic foster care
INTENSIVE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> x Numerous medical appointments. x Physically destructive, unsocialized behavior. x Emotional problems requiring therapeutic intervention. x Requires constant supervision and control to ensure safety of self and others. x Child is diabetic, needs foster parent to inject, and/or has frequent emergencies. x Child has serious communicable disease, requiring extensive observation. x Premature infant requires close observation. x Emotional needs of the child require 40 to 60 miles daily total transportation. 	\$263.00+ basic foster care
ENRICHED	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> x Non-organic failure to thrive due to severe physical/emotional neglect. x Neo-natal withdrawal syndrome x Severe cerebral palsy x Very low birth weight babies needing multiple specialists appointments x Gastric-intestinal tube feeding. x Chronic significant depression, displaying behavior such as suicide ideation, or self-mutilation. x A child diagnosed with chronic mental disorder that requires ongoing therapeutic intervention. 	\$890.00 total for all ages

