

# Cost Category Maximums – 2025



The charts below provide a detailed breakdown by cost category of the maximum rates that were published in DSP Informational Memo Series 2024-11i for child placing agencies (CPAs), group homes (GHs), and resident care centers (RCCs).

Line Item	Cost Component	Definition	CPA Per Diem Allowance
0	Plant & Property	Mortgage Interest, Rent, Utilities, Property Tax, Insurance, Improvements, Maintenance & Repair	\$2.03
3	Administrative Consumables	Office Supplies, Postage, Printing, Telephone, Internet, Cable, Background Checks, Staff Recruitment, Professional Subscriptions	\$2.85
4	Programmatic Consumables	Program Supplies	\$0.46
5	Insurance	Liability & Workman's Compensation Insurance	\$0.71
6	Depreciation	Vehicles, Equipment & Property	\$0.42
7	Case Management Staffing		\$46.55
		Hourly Average Cost Per Staff	\$34.92
		* Case Management Ratio: 1 Staff to X Children	9.0
8	Case Management Supervisor Staffing	(Includes All Shifts in Calculation)	\$11.75
		Hourly Average Cost Per Supervisor	\$51.42
		* Case Management Supervisor Ratio: 1 Supervisor to X Children	35.0
9	Training	Staff Training	\$0.45
10	Transportation	Vehicle Cost & Staff Mileage for Family Visits & Routine Care, Vehicle Expense Including Rentals & Insurance	\$1.25
11	Recreation/Milieu	Activities/Outings for Children	\$0.00
12	Foster Parent Training	Supplies For Foster Parent Training	\$2.44
13	Foster Parent Respite	Foster Parent Respite	\$3.53
14	Therapy/Therapeutic Milieu	CPA: Purchased Clinical Services	\$0.59
17	Admin Overhead	Admin Allocation, Payroll Processing Fees, Self-Funded Medical Costs	\$15.02
<b>Subtotal</b>			<b>\$88.05</b>
COLA		Cost of Living Adjustment	\$8.39
		Current Year – Consumer Price Index (CPI) Based On 24 Month Cumulative	9.56%
		Current Year - Medical Care Group: CPI Based On 24 Month Cumulative	4.03%
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$96.44</b>

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Line Item	Cost Component	Definition	GH Per Diem Allowance	RCC Per Diem Allowance
1	Plant & Property	Mortgage Interest, Rent, Utilities, Property Tax, Insurance, Improvements, Maintenance & Repair	\$23.33	\$42.69
2	Board & Incidentals	Food & Beverage, Children's Allowance, Laundry, Housekeeping	\$19.18	\$40.38
3	Administrative Consumables	Office Supplies, Postage, Printing, Telephone, Internet, Cable, Background Checks, Staff Recruitment, Professional Subscriptions	\$15.03	\$15.15
4	Programmatic Consumables	Program Supplies	\$3.08	\$ 2.22
5	Insurance	Liability & Workman's Compensation Insurance	\$6.02	\$10.67
6	Depreciation	Vehicles, Equipment & Property	\$3.57	\$14.77
7	Direct Care Staffing		\$136.72	\$171.59
		Hourly Average Cost Per Staff	\$27.34	\$27.09
		* Direct Care Ratio: 1 Staff to X Children	4.0	3.0
		* Direct Care During School Hours Ratio: 1 Staff to X Children	4.0	3.0
		* Direct Care During Sleep Hours Ratio: 1 Staff to X Children	8.0	8.0
8	Supervisor Staffing	(Includes All Shifts in Calculation)	\$65.35	\$55.71
		Hourly Average Cost Per Supervisor	\$35.94	\$33.43
		* Supervisor Ratio: 1 Supervisor to X Children - Day	11.0	12.0
		* Supervisor Ratio: 1 Supervisor to X Children - School Hours	11.0	12.0
		* Supervisor Ratio: 1 Supervisor to X Children - Sleep Hours	22.0	24.0
9	Training	Staff Training	\$5.19	\$9.67
10	Transportation	Vehicle Cost & Staff Mileage for Family Visits & Routine Care, Vehicle Expense Including Rentals & Insurance	\$6.46	\$5.92
11	Recreation/Milieu	Activities/Outings for Children	\$5.03	\$3.55
14	Therapy/ Therapeutic Milieu	GH: Staffing to Ensure Therapeutic Environment for Youth RCC: Staffing for Therapy, Purchased Clinical Services	\$9.32	\$51.74
15	Education	Educational / Vocational Supplies (Includes Staffing for RCCs)	\$2.35	\$54.87
16	Medical	Medical Supplies (Includes Staffing for RCCs)	\$1.77	\$15.16
17	Admin Overhead	Admin Allocation, Payroll Processing Fees, Self-Funded Medical Costs	\$62.31	\$117.89
<b>Subtotal</b>			\$364.71	\$611.98
COLA	Cost of Living Adjustment		\$34.25	\$54.80
	Current Year – Consumer Price Index (CPI) Based On 24 Month Cumulative		9.56%	9.56%
	Current Year - Medical Care Group: CPI Based On 24 Month Cumulative		4.03%	4.03%
<b>Total</b>			\$398.96	\$666.78