

Cost Category Maximums – 2027

The charts below provide a detailed breakdown by cost category of the maximum rates that were published in Division of Safety and Permanence (DSP) Informational Memo Series 2026-31i for child placing agencies (CPAs), group homes (GHs), and resident care centers (RCCs).

Child Placing Agency Maximums:

Line Item	Cost Component	Definition	CPA Per Diem Allowance
0	Plant & Property	Mortgage Interest, Rent, Utilities, Property Tax, Insurance, Improvements, Maintenance & Repair	\$2.22
3	Administrative Consumables	Office Supplies, Postage, Printing, Telephone, Internet, Cable, Background Checks, Staff Recruitment, Professional Subscriptions	\$3.15
4	Programmatic Consumables	Program Supplies	\$0.47
5	Insurance	Liability & Workman's Compensation Insurance	\$1.10
6	Depreciation	Vehicles, Equipment & Property	\$0.45
7	Case Management Staffing	–	\$51.96
7	Case Management Staffing	Hourly Average Cost Per Staff	\$38.97
7	Case Management Staffing	* Case Management Ratio: 1 Staff to X Children	9.0
8	Case Management Supervisor Staffing	(Includes All Shifts in Calculation)	\$13.85
8	Case Management Supervisor Staffing	Hourly Average Cost Per Supervisor	\$60.57
8	Case Management Supervisor Staffing	* Case Management Supervisor Ratio: 1 Supervisor to X Children	35.0
9	Training	Staff Training	\$0.41
10	Transportation	Vehicle Cost & Staff Mileage for Family Visits & Routine Care, Vehicle Expense Including Rentals & Insurance	\$1.66
11	Recreation/Milieu	Activities/Outings for Children	\$0.00
12	Foster Parent Training	Supplies For Foster Parent Training	\$2.45
13	Foster Parent Respite	Foster Parent Respite	\$4.22
14	Therapy/Therapeutic Milieu	CPA: Purchased Clinical Services	\$0.70

17	Admin Overhead	Admin Allocation, Payroll Processing Fees, Self-Funded Medical Costs	\$19.58
-	-	-	Subtotal: \$102.22
-	COLA	Cost of Living Adjustment	\$5.89
-	COLA	Current Year – Consumer Price Index (CPI) Based On 24 Month Cumulative	5.76%
-	COLA	Current Year - Medical Care Group: CPI Based On 24 Month Cumulative	5.96%
-	-	-	Total: \$108.11

Group Homes and Residential Care Maximums:

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	\$30.71	\$47.19
2	Board & Incidentals	Food & Beverage, Children's Allowance, Laundry, Housekeeping	\$24.33	\$47.29
3	Administrative Consumables	Office Supplies, Postage, Printing, Telephone, Internet, Cable, Background Checks, Staff Recruitment, Professional Subscriptions	\$17.68	\$24.09
4	Programmatic Consumables	Program Supplies	\$4.25	\$ 4.49
5	Insurance	Liability & Workman's Compensation Insurance	\$7.52	\$15.45
6	Depreciation	Vehicles, Equipment & Property	\$5.96	\$20.26
7	Direct Care Staffing	-	\$131.55	\$191.62
7	Direct Care Staffing	Hourly Average Cost Per Staff	\$26.31	\$30.26
7	Direct Care Staffing	* Direct Care Ratio: 1 Staff to X Children	4.0	3.0
7	Direct Care Staffing	* Direct Care During School Hours Ratio: 1 Staff to X Children	4.0	3.0
7	Direct Care Staffing	* Direct Care During Sleep Hours Ratio: 1 Staff to X Children	8.0	8.0
8	Supervisor Staffing	(Includes All Shifts in Calculation)	\$78.90	\$64.65
8	Supervisor Staffing	Hourly Average Cost Per Supervisor	\$43.39	\$38.79
8	Supervisor Staffing	* Supervisor Ratio: 1 Supervisor to X Children - Day	11.0	12.0
8	Supervisor Staffing	* Supervisor Ratio: 1 Supervisor to X Children - School Hours	11.0	12.0



8	Supervisor Staffing	* Supervisor Ratio: 1 Supervisor to X Children - Sleep Hours	22.0	24.0
9	Training	Staff Training	\$5.08	\$8.85
10	Transportation	Vehicle Cost & Staff Mileage for Family Visits & Routine Care, Vehicle Expense Including Rentals & Insurance	\$7.82	\$6.05
11	Recreation/Milieu	Activities/Outings for Children	\$4.12	\$5.41
14	Therapy/ Therapeutic Milieu	GH: Staffing to Ensure Therapeutic Environment for Youth RCC: Staffing for Therapy, Purchased Clinical Services	\$13.56	\$84.14
15	Education	Educational / Vocational Supplies (Includes Staffing for RCCs)	\$4.98	\$55.32
16	Medical	Medical Supplies (Includes Staffing for RCCs)	\$1.37	\$28.14
17	Admin Overhead	Admin Allocation, Payroll Processing Fees, Self- Funded Medical Costs	\$84.81	\$179.81
-	-	-	Subtotal: \$422.64	Subtotal: \$782.76
-	COLA	Cost of Living Adjustment	\$24.38	\$45.31
-	COLA	Current Year – Consumer Price Index (CPI) Based On 24 Month Cumulative	5.76%	5.76%
-	COLA	Current Year - Medical Care Group: CPI Based On 24 Month Cumulative	5.96%	5.96%
-	-	-	Total: \$447.02	Total: \$828.07

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