

Benefits at a Glance

Monthly benefit for children in foster care (AFDC-FC or ARC) or who have exited to guardianship (Kin-GAP) or Adoption (AAP)

| Effective Dates | 7/1/19 – 6/30/20 | 7/1/20 – 6/30/21 |
|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Basic Level Rate | \$1000 | \$1037 |
| D-Rate | \$1601 | \$1638 |
| F-1 Rate | \$1191 | \$1228 |
| F-2 Rate | \$1341 | \$1378 |
| F-3 Rate | \$1601 | \$1638 |
| F-4 Rate | \$1821 | \$1858 |

Not all children who have exited to Kin-GAP or AAP receive the above benefits. If your guardianship (Kin-GAP) case closed between May 2011 and December 2016, or your adoption (AAP) agreement was signed between May 27, 2011 and December 31, 2016, then the following Basic Rate structure applies¹:

| | 0-4 Years | 5-8 Years | 9-11 Years | 12-14 Years | 15 and Older |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------|------------|-------------|--------------|
| Effective Dates | 7/1/19 | 7/1/19 | 7/1/19 | 7/1/19 | 7/1/19 |
| Basic Rate | \$795 | \$859 | \$905 | \$948 | \$993 |

If your guardianship case closed, or if the AAP agreement was signed, between 2008 and May 2011, the following Basic Rate structure applies.

| Age | 0-4 Years | 5-8 Years | 9-11 Years | 12-14 Years | 15-21 Years |
|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| Basic Rate | \$581 | \$632 | \$684 | \$746 | \$780 |

If your guardianship case closed, or if the AAP agreement was signed before 2008, the following Basic Rate structure applies.

| Age | 0-4 Years | 5-8 Years | 9-11 Years | 12-14 Years | 15-21 Years |
|------------|-----------|-----------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| Basic Rate | \$554 | \$603 | \$653 | \$711 | \$780 |

¹ Any specialized care rates from pre-2017 guardianships or adoptions will also be on the pre-2017 pay scales. For any questions about those exact amounts, please contact the Alliance at 213-368-6010 and ask for a member of the Benefits Program.

Dual Agency Rate: The Early Intervention rate is for children ages 0-3 who are both foster youth and early start regional center clients with certain developmental delays. Children who are both foster youth and lifetime regional center clients with mental retardation, cerebral palsy, epilepsy, autism, or a disabling condition closely related to mental retardation or that requires similar treatment receive the Regional Center Consumer rate.

| Type of Service | 7/1/15 – 6/30/16 | 7/1/16 – 6/30/17 | 7/1/17 – 6/30/18 | 7/1/18 – 6/30/19 | 7/1/19 – 6/30/20 | 7/1/20 – 6/30/21 |
|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| Early Intervention | \$1041 | \$1041 | \$1081 | \$1124 | \$1171 | \$1215 |
| Regional Center Consumer | \$2265 | \$2328 | \$2417 | \$2513 | \$2617 | \$2714 |
| Supplement ² | \$250 – \$1000 | \$250 – \$1000 | \$250 – \$1000 | \$250 – \$1000 | \$250 – \$1000 | \$250 – \$1000 |

CalWORKs (TANF, Non-Needy Relative Caregiver’s Assistance)

| Family Size | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|-----------------------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|
| Amount as of 4/1/2019 | \$606 | \$778 | \$983 | \$1181 | \$1385 | \$1589 |

CalWORKs funding is available for relatives caring for children outside of the foster care system and/or relatives who are caring for a child placed through foster care who have not yet been approved as a resource family/foster parent.

Rate for Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

- **\$558.67 - \$1158.37** (effective January 2017)

Calculation of Survivor Benefits

- The benefit amount is based on the earnings of the deceased parent. The more the parent paid into Social Security, the greater the child’s benefits will be. The child is eligible for seventy-five percent (75%) of the parent’s benefits.

Generally, rates are based on where the child resides and not which county has jurisdiction. A Los Angeles County child in foster care placed outside of the County receives the rate of the county or state in which that child lives. The only exception is if the host county does not have a specialized care rate and the child qualifies for a specialized care rate in Los Angeles County. In that case, the child continues to receive the Los Angeles County specialized care rate. This only applies to foster care funding and not AAP. If the child is receiving AAP, the child receives the Los Angeles County rate, or the host county rate, whichever is higher.

² Caregivers of regional center youth should *always* request a supplement assessment from DCFS, to ensure that the youth is receiving the appropriate level of funding.