

Foster Care Reimbursement Rate Committee Update

The Foster Care Reimbursement Rate Committee (FCRRC) last met on March 4, 2019 and reviewed their goals in preparation for the legislative Report due July 1, 2020. Outlined below are updates on the work of the Committee and its subgroups.

FCRRC

- Recommend the creation of Treatment Family Care (TFC) based on the drafted service definition
 - A service definition has been provided for feedback and approval by the Commission
- Formation of four workgroups to research and create report recommendations
 - See the workgroup descriptions for further information
- Working to partner with the Division of Children and Family Services to draft a Nebraska Adoptive Parent Responsibility (NAPR) tool to assist in consistent rate setting
- Seeking guidance from the Commission on the Committee's role regarding the adoption subsidy pilot and adoption assistance payments

Workgroups

Agency Administrative and Support Rate

- Will review and create recommendation on the reimbursement rates provided to agencies

Base Rate & Foster Parent Survey

- Will review and create recommendations on the base rate reimbursements provided to foster parents
- Will update and reissue the Nebraska Caregiver Responsibility (NCR) tool survey for foster parent input

Level of Responsibility

- Will review the current NCR tool for necessary language changes
- Will research and create recommendations for a fourth level of responsibility which encompasses medically fragile and similar populations who do not meet the requirements outlined in the current NCR tool or TFC service definition

Rate Setting for Levels of Responsibility and Treatment Family Care

- Will review and create recommendations for the Levels of Responsibility including the proposed fourth level within the NCR tool
- Will research and make recommendations for a Treatment Family Care rate structure based upon the approved service definition