

## Herefordshire Children's Wellbeing Directorate

### Foster Care Rates - Effective from 1st April 2016 to 31st March 2017

#### 1. FOSTER CARE ALLOWANCES (Age allowance)

AGE	Weekly Rate	F/NIGHTLY RATE	DAILY RATE
0 - 4 years	111.90	223.80	15.99
5 - 10 years	123.60	247.20	17.66
11 - 15 years	179.01	358.02	25.57
16 - 17 years	213.12	426.24	30.45

#### 2. CLOTHING ALLOWANCES

Clothing Allowance Claimable Separately			
INITIAL CLOTHING GRANT			
	Quarterly	Annually	
0 - 4 years	50.00	200	
5 - 10 years	75.00	300	
11 - 15 years	100.00	400	
16 - 17 years	125.00	500	
Discretionary Emergency Payment £200 per child per year			

#### 3. FEES & 'ADDITIONAL ALLOWANCES'

	Weekly	F/Nightly Rate	Daily Rate
Foudation Level Fee - (generally family & friends carers only)		Allowance only (Specific to Child's Age)Refer to foster care allowances	
Level 1	100.00	200.00	14.29
Level 2	125.00	250.00	17.86
Level 3	175.00	350.00	25.00
ARC	450.00	900.00	64.29

#### 4. HOLIDAYS

Holiday Allowances Claimable Separately		
Holidays incurring accommodation charges		2 weeks basic allowance
Additional £200 discretionary payment for holiday can be made. Refer to allowance explanatory notes for detail.		
<i>(please note if holidays are taken at home, up to two weeks can be requested to take into account day excursions etc).</i>		

#### 5. RESPITE

Carer 1: Pay 60% of Basic Allowance & Full Fee (if applicable) whilst child is away on respite.

Respite Carer: Full allowances

#### 6. RETAINERS

	Weekly Rate	Total Retainer (8 wks)	Daily Rate
Level 1	50.00	£400.00	£7.14
Level 2	62.50	£500.00	£8.93
Level 3	87.50	£700.00	£12.50
ARC	225.00	£1,800.00	£32.14
<i>(Up to eight weeks can be paid. Retainer to stop if another child is placed)</i>			

<b>7. SCHOOL UNIFORM GRANTS</b>			
Starting School	117.00		
Changing Schools	211.00		
Working Clothes	107.00		

<b>8. PAYMENTS MADE PENDING ALLEGATION INVESTIGATIONS</b>			
Foster Carers on fee payment scheme level 1 to ,50% of fee (i.e. retainer)			
(anyone in receipt of additional allowance)			
Carers		60% of Allowance	
(only receiving Basic Allow)			

<b>9. MILEAGE</b>			
			As of 6th July 2011
Per Mile		£0.40	£0.45

<b>10. BIRTHDAY</b>	1 weeks basic allowance
<b>11. CHRISTMAS &amp; OTHER FESTIVALS</b>	1 weeks basic allowance