

DDP 0208 DD Comprehensive Waiver Service Definitions

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2. Adult Foster Support

This service pays for extraordinary supervision and support by a principal care giver licensed as an adult foster care provider who lives in the home. The total number of individuals living in the adult foster home, who are unrelated to the principal care provider, cannot exceed four persons (ARM 37.100.121).

Residential Training Support is available to individuals receiving adult foster support service and will be provided in the adult foster home in accordance with assessed needs and desires of the individual as outlined in the plan of care. This training will be delivered by staff meeting the qualified provider standards for Residential Training Support. The Residential Training Support service a person receives is training to increase independence in health care, self care, safety and access to and use of community services. The individual plan of care, based upon the results of formal assessment and identification of needs, provides the general goals and specific objectives toward which training efforts are directed. Each training objective is specified in the plan of care and is clearly related to the individual's long term goal and is not simply busywork or diversional in nature.

Residential Training Supports delivered in the context of an adult foster home will be invoiced, reimbursed and reported as a separate service, and rolled back into the adult foster support service for the purpose of Federal reporting.

Payments for adult foster support are not made for room and board, items of comfort or convenience, or the costs of facility maintenance, upkeep and improvement. Payment for adult foster support does not include payments made, directly or indirectly, to members of the individual's immediate family. The methodology by which the costs of room and board are excluded from payments for adult foster support is described in Appendix I.

Payment to an adult foster care provider is available to assist in placing and maintaining persons with extraordinary support needs in licensed adult foster care settings. Reimbursements are based on assessments completed by the Adult Targeted Case Manager. Payments are based on the person supported meeting a required threshold in the hours of direct support and supervision required of the foster care provider.

The net effect of this service option is to strengthen the foster home network available to serve adults with developmental disabilities who would otherwise require services in more restrictive and costly service settings (e.g., an ICF-ID or an adult group home).

**Specify applicable (if any) limits on
the amount, frequency, or duration of
this service:**

DDP will reimburse the adult foster care provider for no more than four people. Persons with varying supervision needs can be served with Adult Foster Supports, but the Adult Foster Support reimbursement to a single foster home cannot exceed the Adult Foster Supports reimbursement rate for serving one person with intensive support needs.

Persons receiving Adult Foster Support may not receive Personal Supports, Adult Companion, Live In Caregiver, Homemaker or Personal Care services.

Residential Training Supports delivered in the context of an adult foster home will be invoiced, reimbursed and reported as a separate and distinct service from the Adult Foster Support service. Reimbursements for the service will be rolled into the cost of Adult Foster Support for the purpose of Federal reporting.

Provision has been made in the Adult Foster Support qualified provider standards for the adult foster care provider to provide Adult Foster Support only, or both Adult Foster Support and Residential Training Support. In the event the Adult Foster Support provider is not qualified to provide Residential Training Support, the service will be made available by a qualified employee of an agency with a DDP contract.

The waiver will not cover activities which are otherwise available under section 110 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the IDEA (20 U.S.C. 1401 et seq.), or EPSDT.