

Supplemental Payments for 24-Hour Awake Supervision DFPS Webinar 2/20/2020 Questions and Responses

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1	All providers are eligible for the supplemental payments?	GROs licensed for more than 6 children are eligible for a supplemental payment when they provide care for DFPS children in conservatorship. Child specific contracts and Temporary Emergency Placement (TEP) contracts are excluded.
2	I don't understand the money methodology on the screen? Is this what we are paid?	<p>Yes, this is the calculation for what you are getting paid. The formula is as follows:</p> <p># of shifts X (\$15.46 x 8) = Payment</p> <p>A shift is equal to a unit derived from applying the applicable ratio 1:15 GRO Treatment or Emergency Care Services or 1:7 for GRO Child Care.</p> <p>Example below shows the application of the ratio for a GRO Emergency Care Services. 2 shifts are the result of applying the ratio to the total of 19 child FTEs. 1 shift for the first 1-15 child FTEs and a second shift for the remaining 4 child FTEs.</p> <p>Ratios: A ratio of 1:15 of staff to Child FTEs</p> <p><u>Determine # of Shifts</u> 560 placement days in a 30-day month (560/30) = 19 child FTEs = 2 shifts a day</p> <p><u>Determine Payment</u> 2 shifts X (\$15.46 x 8) = \$247.36 a day \$247.36 X 30-day month = \$7,420.80 <i>for one month in the quarter.</i></p>

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3	What is FTE?	FTE = Full Time Equivalent and represents the average daily child count. It is calculated by dividing the total number of placement days provided in a month by the number of days in that month.																		
4	How are you calculating the placement days?	DFPS will pull placement information from IMPACT on the last day of the last month in the quarter. A placement day is a day IMPACT shows a child was in the care of the Contractor.																		
5	Does the supplemental payment also cover any youth who are JMC, not TMC or PMC? Does the supplemental payment cover our SSCC kids (OCOK, 2 INgage, Family Tapestry, Saint Francis Ministries)?	Yes, a JMC placement will be included in the calculation. DFPS is disbursing payments for all like GRO contracts fitting the following categories: GRO Treatment or Emergency Care Services, and GRO Child Care. DFPS conservatorship placements from all sources will be used in the calculation and issued payment under a contract created using a GRO category mentioned above.																		
6	Will children 5 and under be counted as two children?	No																		
7	What is the schedule for payments?	Payments will be disbursed in the following order: <table border="1" data-bbox="968 976 1661 1198"> <thead> <tr> <th colspan="3">Payment Schedule</th> </tr> <tr> <th>State Fiscal Year</th> <th>Time Included</th> <th>Disbursement</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Quarter 1</td> <td>*Nov 8 – 30, 2019</td> <td>March 2020</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Quarter 2</td> <td>Dec, Jan, Feb</td> <td>April</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Quarter 3</td> <td>Mar, Apr, May</td> <td>July</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Quarter 4</td> <td>June Jul, Aug</td> <td>October</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p><i>After FY2020 Q1 will consist of the months Sept. October, & November.</i></p>	Payment Schedule			State Fiscal Year	Time Included	Disbursement	Quarter 1	*Nov 8 – 30, 2019	March 2020	Quarter 2	Dec, Jan, Feb	April	Quarter 3	Mar, Apr, May	July	Quarter 4	June Jul, Aug	October
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8	Is end of year, end of fiscal year or calendar year?	The fiscal year used in this process is the DFPS State fiscal year. The end of year reconciliation will be conducted in March of the following DFPS State fiscal year.																		

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9	Will there be any consideration or opportunity for an earlier reconciliation?	Reconciliation will occur either at 3 months after the end of a contract or in the month of March in the state fiscal year following the payment state fiscal year. DFPS does not have plans to vary from this schedule.
10	<p>Would you please review the following to make sure that we are correct in our understanding? And if we're off track, would you help clarify for us?</p> <p>For this example assume we had 45 children in care every day during a month with 30 days: 45 (number of children in care for full month with no changes in census) X 30 (Number of days in the month) 1,350 (Placement Days in the month) / 30 (divided by the # of days in the month) 45/7 (1:7 ratio of staff to youth) 6 7 (FTEs – rounded down up to nearest whole #) (means 6 7 shifts per day) 6-7/x 15.46 (\$ / hour) \$ 92.76 108.22 (total \$ / hour) x 8 (hours per 24 hour period) \$ 742.08 865.76 (Supplemental daily payment) x 30 (Days in the month) \$ 22,262.40 25,972.80 (one month supplemental payment)</p>	The application of the formula is accurate with the exception of the rounding. The formula will round up. In the example you round up 6.42 to 7, not down to 6 shifts. Corrections to your formula are noted in red and strikeout .
11	Emergency shelter ratio is 1.24 awake staff. No treatment services. Is this still correct? I saw ratio to be 1.15 in the slide.	The ratio used in the DFPS supplemental payment methodology is unique to the formula in calculating child FTEs, not to be mistaken with the caregiver to child ratio required by HHSC Licensing standards. The ratio of 1:15 will be applied to GRO Emergency Shelters.

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12	<p><i>Slide 7 states that the providers impacted are as follows...</i></p> <p><i>Specific to GROs with 6 or more children in placement at either one of the following two (2) GRO categories:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>1. Facilities providing Treatment Services or Emergency Care Services,</i> • <i>2. Facilities providing Child Care</i> <p><i>Provider/Contract Types to be excluded from payment:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Child Specific Contracts</i> • Temporary Emergency Placement Program (TEP) <p>As an emergency shelter, is Bridgeway impacted or excluded?</p>	<p>GRO emergency shelters are eligible for a supplemental payment.</p>
13	<p>So, this payment does not go through the SSCC?</p>	<p>Correct.</p> <p>Community-Based Care SSCC network service providers, who also contract with DFPS and possibly multiple SSCCs, will receive an aggregated payment and subsequent reconciliation processed under a specific DFPS Agency Account ID#.</p> <p>In the case of Community-Based Care SSCC network providers who presently do not contract with DFPS and upon the execution of a DFPS agreement, payment and reconciliations will be managed in the same manner as stated above.</p>

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		If at any time the SSCC network provider should enter into a 24-Hour Residential Care Contract, the agreement will be terminated, payments and reconciliation will be processed under the DFPS contract.