



Discretionary Services Fee Schedule Credentialed Services



Community Based Life Skills Services

Service Description:

Community Based Life Skills are a set of skills learned by teaching or by direct experience. These skills are used to handle problems and questions commonly encountered in daily life from adolescence through adulthood. A community based services model focuses on the development and enhancement of the participant's knowledge of essential life skills to promote preparation for adulthood and self-sufficiency. Through program design and content, the model goal is to support and maintain a youth's connection with the community as the youth mature.

This service, through the use of the DCF approved Learning Inventory of Skills Training (LIST) assessment tool and experiential learning approaches, provides youth with a set of skills necessary to assist in their transition from DCF care to self-sufficiency. This service includes an individual life skills assessment, followed by individualized and small group experiential learning opportunities.

The hourly rate for this service includes the cost of transporting the child receiving the service.

DCF can authorize supplemental payment: When the distance either to or from the location that credentialed providers travel to pick up or drop off the child receiving the service exceeds twenty (20) miles; when there are different area offices that credentialed providers travel to pick up/drop off two (+) children receiving the service from the same case; or when there are different locations that credentialed providers travel to pick up/drop off two (+) children receiving the service from different cases.

Note: The total miles from/ to the credentialed provider's office location to/ from child's location is the maximum number of miles reimbursable.

Duration:

Maximum of 120 hours in total over a twenty-six week period. (See footnote #1) The Area Office may approve an extension beyond 26 weeks based on treatment plan goals and objectives. (See footnote #2).



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Service Rate (Maximum):

- \$56 per hour

*Supervision of employees is billable at 15 minute increments per staff, per case, per month at the established rate for CBLs. Supervision of staff is included in the total time authorized for CBLs for the child/youth. For instance, if your total time for CBLs is 15 hours, supervision must be included in the 15 hours. DCF does not support billing for supervision when the supervisor and staff attend the same meeting.

Group Events:

If approved by the Area Office as it relates to individual case plans children can participate in a group activity. The rate will be divided equally among the number of staff and children. For example, 2 children with one Life Skills Educator at \$50.00 per hour will be billed at \$25.00 per hour for each child.

DCF does not reimburse for "NO SHOWS" if the appointment has been cancelled by DCF before the provider/staff has left for the service. If DCF fails to cancel the appointment, payment will be made for the time spent in travel and for the time spent waiting for the child.

(footnote 1) Only time spent delivering the service is reimbursable. For example, time spent driving is not reimbursable, unless transporting the child receiving the service.

(footnote 2) Please refer to Provider Agreement under "Duration of Services" for information regarding the extension of services.