

RESPITE

Every DCF licensed foster, kinship and pre-adoptive family is eligible for 10 nights per year of respite provided by another DCF licensed foster family. Respite must be planned and requested in advance through your Family Resource Worker.



HOW RESPITE WORKS:

1. Contact your Family Resource Worker at your DCF office
 - If you have identified a provider, your Family Resource Worker will ensure that there is a current CORI on file
 - If you do not have a provider, your Family Resource Worker will attempt to identify one
2. Go ahead with your respite care once it has been approved by your Family Resource Worker
3. Your Family Resource Worker will complete the Respite Request Form and the Family Resource Supervisor will sign and send to Regional Kid's Net staff
4. After respite is complete, Kid's Net staff will call the respite provider to confirm information on the Request Form and obtain any missing information. Payment requests cannot be submitted without confirmation from the respite provider and/or if there is missing information.
5. Once a payment request is submitted, it can take up to 30 days for the respite provider to receive payment. Enrolling in direct deposit can expedite this process. Any questions regarding the status of a respite payment should be directed to Regional Kid's Net staff.

THINGS TO KNOW:

- You have 10 nights of respite care for your family, not per child
- The reimbursement rate for the respite provider is the same as the daily rate of support
- Respite care allows for 10 nights per fiscal year (July 1-June 30)



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