

Professional Foster Parent:
Rational for Extraordinary Administrative Rate
Foundations Health and Wholeness, Foster Care Program

Explanation of child's service needs: Oneida County and Foundations Health and Wholeness are working together to establish a Professional Foster Parent for a high needs youth. The young man has an extensive history of trauma, involvement in the child welfare system, and mental health diagnosis. He has been in a large number of out-of-home care settings dating back to age 5, including Winnebago Mental Health, Homme Home, and Tomorrow's Children, in addition to a number of foster homes. The child will be transitioning from Winnebago Mental Health to the home of _____. _____ will remain home full-time under a Professional Foster Parent arrangement to be available to meet his needs. It has been identified by team members that regular weekly contact from the Treatment Foster Care Case Manager, versus the typical bi-weekly contact, will be necessary at this time. Due to the child's level of need and involvement in a new model of care (Professional Foster Parent), we anticipate additional Case Management duties to support this arrangement including daily check-ins with Foster Parent by phone and extra transportation. The extraordinary administrative rate will help offset the extra costs taken on by the licensing agency due to the extra mileage reimbursement paid to Case Manager as well as administrative time.

Services that are not being provided due to economic constraints: This is not applicable.

Documentation of the need for additional services by a person with expertise in the child's type of need: See above. Treatment records for the identified child can be shared upon a release of information being signed by legal guardian if deemed necessary.