

Foundations Health and Wholeness
Professional Foster Parent Services Agreement

This document is an agreement for the provision of Professional Foster Parent Services by _____ (hereafter referred to as "Professional Foster Parent") for Foundations Health and Wholeness Treatment Foster Care Agency. This following agreement has been made between the parties, Foundations Health and Wholeness and the Professional Foster Parent, and is in effect immediately following execution by all parties.

1. _____ will be licensed as a Level 4 Treatment Foster Parent(s) by Foundations Health and Wholeness.
2. **TERM:**
The term of this agreement shall begin _____ and shall be effective for the duration of all foster home placements in good standing as determined by the Agency and the State of Wisconsin State Statutes and licensing requirements. This agreement is to be reviewed and signed on an annual basis by both the Professional Foster Parent and the Agency.
3. The Professional Foster Parent must meet all the requirements according to Wisconsin Administrative Code Ch. DCF 56 Foster Home Care for Children as a Level 4 Treatment Foster Parent.
4. Professional Foster Parent will receive and must complete initial and ongoing training for foster parent licensure by Foundations Health and Wholeness.
5. The Professional Foster Parent is not an employee of Foundations Health and Wholeness.
6. It is mutually agreed that Foundations Health and Wholeness will not pay social security taxes (FICA) or unemployment compensation taxes on the account of the Professional Foster Parent and will not include the Professional Foster Parent in any worker's compensation insurance policy coverage. Foundations will not forward to any federal, state, or local taxing authority, withheld income tax payments owing on the compensation paid to the Professional Foster Parent under this Agreement. It is mutually understood that Professional Foster Parent will pay all social security taxes, unemployment compensation taxes, and income taxes owing on the compensation paid to Professional Foster Parent under this Agreement. The Professional Foster Parent receives compensation as follows:

- \$5,883.33 per month for services provided which will be paid once per month to the Professional Foster Parent by Foundations Health and Wholeness.
 - When a youth discharge occurs; Professional Foster Parent will continue to receive compensation for up to 30 days until a viable placement is identified.
 - Room, Board, and incidental costs for the youth are reimbursed monthly and at the rate determined by the Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths Assessment Tool (CANS).
7. Professional Foster Parent is responsible for providing for all the needs and services for the child. Additional services, such as outpatient treatment for the child, may be authorized by Foundations Health and Wholeness. The Professional Foster Parent also receives Medicaid for the foster child's health and dental care.
 8. The Professional Foster Parent must always be available for the child.
 9. This agreement can be terminated by either party with a thirty day written notice to the other party.
 10. In addition to licensing regulations and policies, Professional Foster Parent(s) agree to comply with the Duties and Responsibilities listed below:

Duties and Responsibilities:

1. Establish a caring, supportive, and nurturing relationship with one youth.
2. Provide therapeutic intervention and support designed to help youth re-connect with their Parent /Legal Guardian by task shifting and role modeling behavior that strengthen the bond between the youth and Parent/Legal Guardian.
3. Help prepare youth to be independent, feel confident, and possess the skills necessary to live in their home and community. Activities include supporting the youth to attend school, provide tutoring to improve school performance, and help with vocational preparedness.
4. Assume in partnership with Parent/Legal Guardian the role of an advocate for the youth including attending school, conferences, IEP meetings etc. Attends all court hearings with youth and family supporting them in the conditions of their current order.
5. Maintain and encourage regular contact with the youth's Parent/Legal Guardian and include the Parent/Legal Guardian in recreational and other activities that keep them involved and connected with their child to support ultimate transition home.
6. As part of the child's treatment team, assist in the development of an individualized treatment plan based on identified strengths, needs, and resources of the child, including a comprehensive crisis and safety plan.
7. Maintain minimum weekly required contact with Treatment Foster Care Case Manager.

8. Maintain regular contact with necessary individuals the youth may have involved in their life including but not limited to the Oneida County Human Services Social Workers, Legal Parties, and other team members identified as supports within the treatment plan.
9. Attend and provide transportation to all appointments in cooperation with the youth's Parent/Legal Guardian. Assure follow through on all recommendations.
10. Participate in support groups through Foundations Health and Wholeness, contact with identified Foster Parent peers, and/or other identified supports.
11. Participate in active communication with child's treatment team to update on weekly progress and challenges.
12. Other duties as deemed necessary by Foundations Health and Wholeness and Oneida County Human Services.

Professional Foster Parent

Date

Jessica Drews, MSE, LPC
Foundations Health and Wholeness Foster Care Agency
Fox Valley Regional Director

Date