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CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

ALL COUNTY LETTER NO. 18-145

The purpose of this letter is to provide sharing ratios for Aid to Families with Dependent Children-Foster Care (AFDC-FC) payments which are used by counties to identify the non-federal portion of their payments when they are claiming expenditures for foster care placements.



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TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL CHIEF PROBATION OFFICERS
ALL COUNTY FISCAL OFFICERS
ALL CONSORTIA PROJECT MANAGERS
ALL FOSTER FAMILY AGENCIES
ALL GROUP HOMES
ALL SHORT-TERM RESIDENTIAL THERAPEUTIC PROGRAMS

SUBJECT: SHARING RATIOS FOR FOSTER FAMILY AGENCIES,
INTENSIVE SERVICES FOSTER CARE,
SHORT-TERM RESIDENTIAL THERAPEUTIC PROGRAMS,
COMMUNITY TREATMENT FACILITIES, GROUP HOMES AND
TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PLACEMENT PLUS FOSTER CARE
PROGRAMS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018-19

REFERENCE: ALL COUNTY LETTER [\(ACL\) 14-18](#); [ACL 16-79](#); [ACL 16-79E](#);
[ACL 17-11](#); [ACL 17-15](#); [ACL 17-75](#); [ACL 17-89](#); [ACL 18-89](#)

PURPOSE

The purpose of this ACL is to provide the sharing ratios for the following foster care placements: Foster Family Agencies (FFA), Intensive Services Foster Care (ISFC), Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Programs (STRTP), Group Homes (GH), Community Treatment Facilities (CTF) and Transitional Housing Placement Plus Foster Care (THP+FC). The sharing ratios are used by counties to identify the non-federal portion of their payments when they are claiming expenditures.

FFA SHARING RATIOS

The following sharing ratios were previously published in the [FFA rates listing](http://www.cdss.ca.gov/inforesources/Foster-Care/Foster-Care-Audits-and-Rates/Foster-Care-Rate-Setting) online at: <http://www.cdss.ca.gov/inforesources/Foster-Care/Foster-Care-Audits-and-Rates/Foster-Care-Rate-Setting> . They are shared in the tables below for convenience. See Table A and B below.

Table A

FFA Phase I Age-Based Sharing Ratios effective July 1, 2018

Maintenance Sharing Ratios %	<u>Birth-4</u>	<u>5 - 8</u>	<u>9 - 11</u>	<u>12 - 14</u>	<u>15 - 21</u>
Maintenance	66.79%	67.71%	68.34%	68.90%	69.47%
Federal	65.75%	67.15%	68.08%	68.90%	69.72%
Non-Federal	34.25%	32.85%	31.92%	31.10%	30.28%

Administration Sharing Ratios %	<u>Birth-4</u>	<u>5 - 8</u>	<u>9 - 11</u>	<u>12 - 14</u>	<u>15 - 21</u>
Administration	33.21%	32.29%	31.66%	31.10%	30.53%
Federal	54.03%	54.03%	54.03%	54.03%	54.03%
Non-Federal	45.97%	45.97%	45.97%	45.97%	45.97%

Table B

FFA Phase II LOC Sharing Ratios effective July 1, 2018

Maintenance Sharing Ratios %	<u>Basic Level</u>	<u>LOC 2</u>	<u>LOC 3</u>	<u>LOC 4 and ISFC</u>
Maintenance	66.91%	69.07%	70.97%	73.00%
Federal	65.93%	66.42%	66.82%	65.95%
Non-Federal	34.07%	33.58%	33.18%	34.05%

Administration Sharing Ratios %	<u>Basic Level</u>	<u>LOC 2</u>	<u>LOC 3</u>	<u>LOC 4 and ISFC</u>
Administration	33.09%	30.93%	29.03%	27.00%
Federal	54.03%	50.00%	45.83%	38.61%
Non-Federal	45.97%	50.00%	54.17%	61.39%

ISFC SHARING RATIOS

The LOC 4 sharing ratio was applied to the ISFC program, see Table B above. This will be an interim sharing ratio that will be used until the Department receives the cost data needed to establish a final sharing ratio.

GROUP HOME, STRTP AND CTF SHARING RATIOS

Effective January 1, 2019 (FY 2018-19), the sharing ratios in Table C will be applied to the GH (RCL) Rate Classification Level, STRTP and CTF programs.

Table C

<u>RCL, CTF and STRTP</u>	<u>Federal</u>	<u>Non-Federal</u>
RCL 1 through RCL 8	93.14%	6.86%
RCL 9 through RCL 12	94.02%	5.98%
RCL 13, RCL 14, CTF & STRTP	95.24%	4.76%

THP+FC SHARING RATIOS

The following THP+FC sharing ratios in Table D were previously published in [ACL 14-18](#). They are shared in the table below for convenience:

Table D

<u>Housing Model</u>	<u>Federal</u>	<u>Non-Federal</u>
Host Family	79%	21%
Single Site	87%	13%
Remote Site	87%	13%

If you have any questions regarding this ACL, please contact the Foster Care Rates Bureau at (916) 651-2752 or email a question to fosterca@dss.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Original Document Signed By

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c: County Welfare Directors Association