STATEMENTS OF PURPOSE

The Indiana Department of Child Services (DCS) will retain financial and medical responsibility for all DCS wards placed out of state unless jurisdiction is terminated. See separate policy, 9.10 Termination of Jurisdiction.

DCS will pay licensed resource families of Indiana children placed out of state at the same rate as licensed caregivers living in the state of Indiana.

**Note:** DCS will not pay a per diem to biological or adoptive parents of Indiana children placed out of state.

Code References
1. IC 31-28-4-1: Enactment; provision
2. IC 31-28-4-2: Financial responsibility for placed children

PROCEDURE

The Family Case Manager (FCM) will:
1. Complete the Indiana Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children- Financial/Medical Plan- If Child Is Placed Out-of-State (SF 49597); and
2. Ensure that upon licensure, appropriate maintenance payments for the care of the child are made during the period of the placement.

**Note:** The Indiana Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children- Financial/Medical Plan- If Child Is Placed Out-of-State (SF 49597) is part of the referral packet that is sent to the receiving state when an out-of-state placement is being pursued.

PRACTICE GUIDANCE

N/A

FORMS AND TOOLS

Indiana Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children- Financial/Medical Plan- If Child Is Placed Out-of-State (SF 49597)

RELATED INFORMATION

N/A