

FOSTER CARE HANDBOOK



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I. METHOD OF PAYMENT

- A. The AFDC-FC payments are made in arrears, directly to the provider. They are paid on a monthly basis and are mailed on the second working day of the current month, for the preceding month.
- B. In general, payment is made only from the date of arrival through the last full day of care prior to departure or removal. This applies whether the child returns home or is placed with another provider.

1. First Day of Payment

The day a child is placed is the first day of payment for the provider. When a child is moved from one provider to another, the day the child is moved/placed is the first day of payment for the second provider.

**EXCEPTION:** The only exception to the first-day rule is the situation in which a child is placed with a provider and moved to another provider (or returned home) in the same day. In this instance the first provider is paid for that day. The second provider is paid beginning with the next (second) day of placement.

2. Last Day of Payment

- a. The last day of payment is the day preceding the day the child permanently leaves or is removed from a provider.
- b. The Eligibility Worker will use the date entered on the SOC 158A, '*Foster Child's Data Record and AFDC-FC Certification*' as the final date of payment. Refer to the FC 475, '*Desk Guide-Bed Holds for SWs*', for further information about Bed Holds.

**REMINDER:** When a youth runs away and is gone at the end of the month, Foster Care must be discontinued. When a youth returns in a following month from "run-away" status, this is considered a new placement and a new intake packet is required for because there has been a break in aid.

II. REFERENCE

DM 45-302.23, Child Absences

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III. FORMS

SOC 158A, Foster Child's Data Record and AFDC-FC Certification  
FC 475, Desk Guide-Bed Holds for SWs