

**Subsidy Rates and Payments paid by
The Department for Child Protection and Family Support
Effective from 1 July 2018**

Basic Subsidy

Age Group	Fortnightly Subsidy
0 – 6 years	\$390.20
7 – 12 years	\$459.45
13 – 17 years	\$528.69

Pocket Money

Age Group	Fortnightly Subsidy
6 – 12 years	\$8.00
13 – 15 years	\$20.00
16 – 17 years	\$26.00 - Exceptional circumstances only

Note: Receipt of pocket money and clothing allowance will not be paid if a young person is working or receiving a Centrelink benefit. Such instances should be discussed with the young person's case manager.

Respite

Foster parents are entitled to five days **respite** per month; further days require extended respite approval to avoid overpayment. The **daily** rates are as follows:

Age Group	Daily Subsidy
0 – 6 years	\$34.2286 (equivalent to \$479.20 per fortnight)
7 – 12 years	\$40.8029 (equivalent to \$571.24 per fortnight)
13 – 17 years	\$47.3764 (equivalent to \$663.27 per fortnight)

Clothing Allowance

Paid three times a year in **January, May and September** (paid in advance)

Age Group	Allowance (3 times per year)
0 – 6 years	\$178.81 every 4 months
7 – 12 years	\$235.28 every 4 months
13 – 15 years	\$400.00 every 4 months
	(16 – 17 year olds in exceptional circumstances only)

Special Guardianship Orders (previously known as Enduring Parental Responsibility)

Age Group	Fortnightly Payment from 31 January 2011
0 – 6 years	\$411.00
7 – 12 years	\$486.00
13 – 17 years	\$588.00

Special Needs Loading – Part A rates only

SNL - Hours spent providing extra care to meet the special needs of a child/young person	0-6yrs	7-12yrs	13-18yrs
	\$	\$	\$
7-14 hours per week	\$ 78.04	\$ 91.89	\$ 105.74
15-21 hours per week	\$ 156.08	\$ 183.78	\$ 211.48
22-28 hours per week	\$ 234.12	\$ 275.67	\$ 317.21
29-35 hours per week	\$ 312.16	\$ 367.56	\$ 422.95
36+ hours per week	\$ 390.20	\$ 459.45	\$ 528.69