

## Subsidy Rates and Payments Paid By The Department of Communities - Children in the CEO's Care Effective from 1 July 2022

### Basic Subsidy

Age Group	Fortnightly Subsidy
0 – 6 years	\$420.45
7 – 12 years	\$495.08
13 – 17 years	\$569.70

### 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 and are paid at the basic subsidy rate. The **daily** rates are as follows:

Age Group	Daily Subsidy	Respite Additional
0 – 6 years	\$36.8836	\$30.0321
7 – 12 years	\$43.9671	\$35.3629
13 – 17 years	\$51.0507	\$40.6929

### 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 Subsidy
0 – 6 years	\$443.88
7 – 12 years	\$525.05
13 – 17 years	\$636.02

### 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	\$84.09	\$99.02	\$113.94
15-21 hours per week	\$168.18	\$198.03	\$227.88
22-28 hours per week	\$252.27	\$297.05	\$341.82
29-35 hours per week	\$336.36	\$396.06	\$455.76
36+ hours per week	\$420.45	\$495.08	\$569.70