

2840 - IV-E BUDGETING

POLICY STATEMENT	IV-E Budgeting procedures are used as the financial eligibility step when determining IV-E Foster Care or IV-E Adoption Assistance (AA) Medicaid eligibility at review.
BASIC CONSIDERATIONS	<p>This budget is used at the six-month review of IV-E Foster Care eligibility. The AU size used in IV-E budgeting is always one, as the child is in placement.</p> <p>A unique payment standard is used at IV-E redeterminations.</p> <p>AFDC policy is used in determining net countable income.</p>
PROCEDURES	<p>IV-E Budget Follow the steps below to determine the financial eligibility for a IV-E child at review.</p> <p>Step 1 Apply all of the child's countable resources to the \$10,000 resource limit. If the child is under the resource limit, proceed to Step 2. If the child is over the resource limit, the child is ineligible for IV-E. Complete a Continuing Medicaid Determination (CMD).</p> <p>Step 2 Allow the \$50.00 child support disregard in determining the child's net countable income.</p> <p>When siblings or half siblings receive child support from the same absent parent, each child is entitled to the \$50.00 child support disregard in his/her own AU.</p> <p>NOTE: Exclude SSI benefits received by a IV-E child in determining eligibility.</p> <p>Apply all net countable income of the IV-E child to the Foster Care Payment Standard. Reference Section 2499 – Treatment of Income.</p>

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Step 3 If the child's net income is less than the Foster Care Payment Standard, approve the child for IV-E Foster Care or Adoption Assistance. Report net countable income to the Social Services Case Manager (SSCM).

Step 4 If the net income is greater than the Foster Care Payment Standard, complete a CMD. Report eligibility determination to the SSCM.

NOTE: Do not complete a CMD for a SSI child found ineligible for IV-E.

Use the below chart for determining the appropriate Foster Care Payment Standard for budgeting based on the child's age at redetermination.

FOSTER CARE PAYMENT STANDARD	Child's Age	Daily Rate X 30	SON
	Birth through 5	\$14.60 X 30 =	\$438.00
	6 through 12	\$16.50 X 30 =	\$495.00
	13 and older	\$18.80 X 30 =	\$564.00