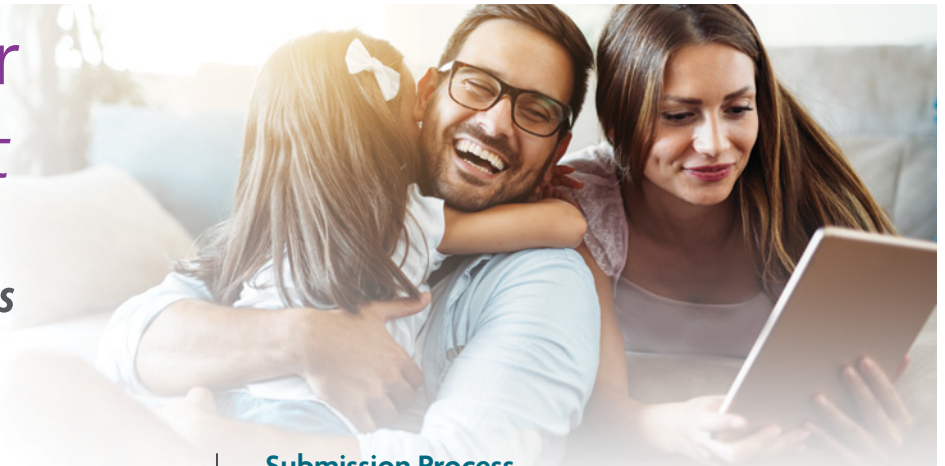


Foster Caregiver Reimbursement

Property Damage & Emergency Medical Expenses



WHAT ARE THE PROGRAMS?

Foster Caregiver Reimbursement Program

Provides limited reimbursement for damages to property owned by the foster caregiver and/or emergency medical treatment for household members because of an act by a child experiencing foster care who is placed in the home.

Third Party Liability Program

Provides limited reimbursement for damages to property owned by a third party and/or a third party emergency medical treatment that the foster caregiver is responsible for because of an act of either the foster caregiver or a child experiencing foster care who is placed in the home.

HOW TO FILE A CLAIM:

Complete the appropriate claim form and follow the submission process. Forms can be obtained from the assigned DCYF caseworker or online at DCYF Forms: <https://www.dcyf.wa.gov/forms>.

DCYF 18-400 Foster Caregiver Reimbursement Claim:
www.dcyf.wa.gov/forms?field_number_value=18-400&title=

DCYF 18-400A Foster Caregiver Third Party Claim:
www.dcyf.wa.gov/forms?field_number_value=18-400A&title=

Submission Process

1. Foster Caregivers

- Complete the claim form
- Provide private insurance information, if applicable
- Attach receipts, photos, and other supporting documents
- Send to the assigned DCYF caseworker
- Cooperate with the substantiation of the claim

2. DCYF Caseworker

- Complete the DCYF caseworker section of the claim form
- Verify the accuracy, completeness, timeliness, support documents, and signatures
- Submit the claim form, photos, receipts, and supporting documents to DCYF Caregiver Claims

If a claim is denied, what are the appeal options?

- Request an exception: An exception request allows a review of the claim to potentially approve an exception to the program limitations and exclusions.
- Request a reconsideration: A reconsideration request allows new information to be considered and must include new documentation or information not previously submitted.

* All appeal determinations are final and do not constitute a basis for requesting or obtaining an administrative fair hearing.



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WHAT IS COVERED

- Property damage and loss up to \$5,000.00
- Emergency medical treatment up to \$1,000.00
- Emergency veterinary expenses up to \$500.00
- Third party property damage, loss, emergency medical treatment, or legal fees up to \$25,000.00

WHAT IS EXCLUDED

- Costs covered under a homeowner's, medical, dental, or other public or private insurance policy
- Costs involving the ownership, operation, or maintenance of any motor vehicle
- Costs for unsubstantiated property damages, losses, or emergency medical treatments
- Costs resulting from illegal conduct, bad faith acts, inadequate supervision, and intentional acts or omissions

RESOURCES

For a full list of what is covered, as well as the limitations and exclusions, review:

- Foster Caregiver Reimbursement Program WAC 110-50-1000 to WAC 110-50-1090: <https://app.leg.wa.gov/WAC/default.aspx?cite=110-50-1000>
- Foster Caregiver Third Party Liability Program WAC 110-50-0900 to WAC 110-50-0970: <https://app.leg.wa.gov/WAC/default.aspx?cite=110-50-0900>

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