



Schedule 3 – Payment Provisions

This Schedule sets out the payment mechanism that DCJ will use to calculate the Service Payment payable to the Service Provider

Service Provider Name	«Provider_Name»
PLA ID	«PLA_ID»
Program	Permanency Support Program

1. Introduction

This Schedule operates as follows:

- (a) section 3 of this Schedule 3 sets out how the Service Provider will be remunerated in accordance with clause 4 of the Program Level Agreement for the relevant Service(s);
- (b) the Service Provider Declaration is set out in section 4 of this Schedule 3;
- (c) the Service Price List is set out in Appendix A of this Schedule 3; and
- (d) the Service Delivery Volume is set out in Appendix B of this Schedule 3.

2. Definitions

In this Agreement, unless the context requires, all defined terms will have the meanings set out in Schedule 5 – Definitions.

3. Service Payments

- (a) The Payment Arrangements set out in section 3 of this Schedule take effect in accordance with clause 4 of the Program Level Agreement for the relevant Service(s).
- (b) At the commencement of the Term, the Service Payment will consist of the following components:
 - i. applying only for Foster Care (including Temporary Care Arrangements), Therapeutic Supported Independent Living, Therapeutic Home Based Care, Supported Independent Living, Therapeutic Sibling Option Placement:
 - A. Funding Package Payment, calculated as the Service Provider's Actual Volume multiplied by the quantum of the relevant Funding Package(s), which include:
 - (i) Case Plan Goal Package (Table 2);
 - (ii) Baseline Package¹ (Table 3 with the exception of Therapeutic Sibling Option Placement, which is determined on a case by case basis);
 - (iii) Child Needs Package (Table 4);
 - (iv) Other Specialist Packages (Table 5);
 - ii. applying only for Intensive Therapeutic Transitional Care:
 - A. Baseline Package for each home (Baseline Package (Table 3));
 - iii. applying only for Interim Care:

¹ These costs do not change regardless of changes in the child or young person's need, except where this results in a change in Placement Type (e.g. from Intensive Therapeutic Care home to Foster Care, or from Foster Care to Case Coordination).
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- A. Baseline Package Payment for each child (Baseline Package (Table 3)).
- iv. applying only for Intensive Therapeutic Care Homes and Intensive Therapeutic Care Significant Disability:
 - A. Baseline Package for each child (Baseline Package (Table 3))
 - B. House Package Payment for each home (Table 6)
 - C. Complex Needs on a case-by-case basis, subject to DCJ approval
- v. applying only for Supported Independent Living (over 18) and Therapeutic Supported Independent Living (over 18), effective from 1 January 2024:
 - A. Baseline Package Payment for each person (Baseline Package (Table 3))
- vi. applying only for Interim Care, Intensive Therapeutic Transitional Care and Intensive Therapeutic Care Homes and Intensive Therapeutic Care Significant Disability:
 - A. Placement Establishment Payment (Table 8);
- vii. applying only for Foster Care effective until 30 June 2023:
 - A. Placement Capacity Payment, calculated as the Placement Capacity Payment amount (Table 7) multiplied by the number of Actual Vacancies as at the date on which the Service Payment is to be calculated;
- viii. applying only for Interim Care:
 - A. Interim Care Vacancy Payment, calculated as the Interim Care Vacancy Payment amount (Table 7) multiplied by the number of Actual Vacancies as at the date on which the Service Payment is to be calculated.
- ix. applying for all Services:
 - A. Abatements for Performance Failures, as set out in Appendix A of Schedule 2; and
 - B. Adjustments to reconcile amounts paid in advance of the Service Provider's Actual Volume.

3.1. Funding Package Payment

- (a) The Funding Package Payment is a fixed annual amount per Actual Volumes delivered by the Service Provider. The Funding Package Payment will be paid Quarterly in advance but reconciled at the Payment Reconciliation Date for any over or underpayments that occurred in the previous Financial Year. An adjustment may be required to Quarterly advanced payments due to any Abatements applying.
- (b) The Funding Package Payment is an activity-based payment, calculated based on Actual Volume over the Service Delivery Period. The Funding Package Payment will be reconciled to the Service Delivery Period to ensure the correct level payment is made based on actual Service delivered.
- (c) The Funding Package Payment for Foster Care, Aboriginal Foster Care, Therapeutic Sibling Option Placement, Therapeutic Supported Independent Living,

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Supported Independent Living and Therapeutic Home Based Care will be calculated as an aggregation of the individual Child or Young Person service payments (based on the Child or Young Person's circumstances) that together make up the Service Provider's Actual Volume. Individual Child payments will be made up of:

- i. the relevant Case Plan Goal Package, which funds for the achievement of a permanency goal for each child and young person, where the quantum is specified in Table 1 (Appendix A);
 - ii. the relevant Baseline Package, which allows for the 'baseline' costs to support a Child or Young Person in a given type of Placement, where the quantum is specified in Table 3 (Appendix A);
 - iii. the relevant Child Needs Package, which allows for the provision of Services that address the differing needs of Children and Young People, where the quantum is specified in Table 4 (Appendix A); and
 - iv. any Other Specialist Packages which are intended to fund for the provision of other specialist supports required for Children and Young People, by exception, where the quantum is specified in Table 5 (Appendix A).
- (d) With the exception of the Long Term Care Package, funding of the Case Plan Goal Package is time-bound to facilitate the movement of Children and Young People to permanency. In particular, the Restoration/Guardianship/Adoption packages are all funded for a period of up to two years from the date of the final order or the commencement of the Case Plan Goal. At the end of the two year period, funding reduces to the rate of the Long Term Care package, except in exceptional circumstances, where an Extension is approved.
- (e) Children and Young People with the Case Plan Goal Package of Restoration; or Guardianship or Adoption at the start of the Service Start Date will have their Case Plan Goal Packages cease at the earlier of either:
- i. two years from the start of the Case Plan Goal Package; or
 - ii. the date that DCJ and the Service Provider agree the Case Plan Goal is achieved; or
 - iii. the date that the child or young person's care order, placing them in the Parental Responsibility of the Minister is varied, expires or is rescinded.
- (f) For Children and Young People whose Case Plan Goal is determined after the commencement of the Term, the Case Plan Goal Package will be paid on and from the commencement of the Case Plan Goal. The Case Plan Goal Package payment for each Child or Young Person will be paid with the next payment after the Child or Young Person is placed and Case Plan Goal commences.
- (g) Where the Child or Young Person's Case Plan Goal Package changes as a result of an assessment by DCJ, or change in court order, the Case Plan Goal Package will change to reflect the new Case Plan Goal, and the relevant maximum payment period will commence from that date.
- (h) Where the Child or Young Person has moved to the Service Provider from another Service Provider, the maximum payment period may be extended from that date at DCJ's discretion. The length of the extension will be determined by DCJ, based on DCJ's assessment of the remaining effort required to achieve the Case Plan Goal.
- (i) If a Child or Young Person achieves permanency, a Case Coordination – Post Permanency Casework Support package may be paid (if eligible) to prevent the breakdown of permanency outcomes. If eligible, this will be continued for a period

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of up to six months after the Case Plan Goal has been achieved for restoration, guardianship and adoptions, subject to approval by DCJ. The Case Coordination - Post Permanency Casework Support package is a stand-alone package.

- (j) If a child or young person is in care, but not in their placement (and their placement has closed), a Case Coordination (Not in Placement) package has been incorporated to support transition of the child or young person to either:
 - i. another authorised placement; or
 - ii. another care arrangement approved by DCJ and/or the Children's Court.

This will be continued for a period of up to six months with a possible extension of up to a further six months, in each case subject to approval by DCJ.

- (k) A case coordination (Not in Placement) package also applies when a Service Provider continues to hold primary case responsibility when a child or young person is placed in an Intensive Therapeutic Transitional Care home, in Interim Care or in a Short Term Emergency Placement. In this case, the Service Provider that continues to hold primary case responsibility will continue to receive the relevant Case Plan Goal Package, Child Needs Package and Other Specialist packages for the child or young person.
- (l) A Case Coordination – Restoration Support package applies when a Service Provider restores a child or young person to their parent/s full time in accordance with an approved restoration plan; and the child or young person remains under the Parental Responsibility of the Minister.
- (m) DCJ may, in some circumstances, allocate the Case Coordination package to a different Service Provider to the Service Provider that managed the Child or Young Person's last Foster Care Placement or choose to transfer Case Coordination responsibility to DCJ.
- (n) The applicable Child Needs Package is determined by DCJ. Child Needs Packages may be varied by DCJ if and when the assessed needs of the Child or Young Person change. Differential needs package amounts recognise that Children and Young People will have differing needs, requiring different intensity of support.). Child Needs Package is no longer applicable at the earlier of either:
 - i. the date that DCJ and the Service Provider agree the Case Plan Goal is achieved; or
 - ii. the date that the child or young person's care order, placing them in the Parental Responsibility of the Minister expires or is rescinded.
- (o) Funding of Specialist Packages is subject to eligibility being met. Service Providers will automatically receive payment for Specialist Packages where eligibility is met and demonstrated through ChildStory and written application is not required for:
 - i. Cultural Plan (Aboriginal)
 - ii. CALD
 - iii. Leaving Care
 - iv. 15+ Reconnect
- (p) The Funding Package Payment for Intensive Therapeutic Care Homes and Intensive Therapeutic Care Significant Disability will be calculated as an aggregation of the House Package service payments and the Child Package service payments that together make up the Service Provider's Actual Volume. The Funding Package Payment is made up of:

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- i. the relevant Baseline Package (Child Package), which allows for the 'baseline' costs to support a Child or Young Person in a given type of Placement, where the quantum is specified in Table 3 (Appendix A);
- ii. the relevant House Package, which allows for the costs to operate a 2 bedroom or 4 bedroom ITC Home or ITC Significant Disability home, where the quantum is specified in Table 6 (Appendix A). When a two-bed house is vacant, the two-bed House Package payment will not be paid for the vacant house.

3.2. Placement Establishment Payment

- (a) The Service Provider will be funded a Placement Establishment Payment for each new:
 - i. Intensive Therapeutic Transitional Care unit contracted for; or
 - ii. Interim Care home, Intensive Therapeutic Care house or Intensive Therapeutic Care Significant Disability home contracted for, that is over and above Contracted Volume.
- (b) The quantum of the Placement Establishment Payment is specified in Table 9 (Appendix A).
- (c) The Placement Establishment Payment amount will be a one-off payment, paid in recognition of the costs of establishing a new ITTC unit, Interim Care home, ITC home or Intensive Therapeutic Care Significant Disability home. The payment will not apply where a Service Provider moves existing Placements to a new ITTC home, Interim Care home, ITC Home or Intensive Therapeutic Care Significant Disability home, unless at the request of DCJ.

3.3. Placement Capacity Payment

- (a) The Placement Capacity Payment is effective until 30 June 2023. From 1 July 2023, the Placement Capacity Payment will no longer apply.
- (b) The Placement Capacity payment is for Foster Care only.
- (c) The Placement Capacity Payment is paid for Actual Vacancies, where there is no Child or Young Person in care. A Placement Capacity Payment will be paid for each unit of Actual Vacancies, not currently filled with a Placement. Actual Vacancies can occur when:
 - i. Child or Young Person is transitioned out of a Service Provider's care (including through achievement of permanency); or
 - ii. there is insufficient Placement demand.
- (d) The total Placement Capacity Payment will be calculated in advance for each Quarterly Date until 30 June 2023, based on the number of Expected Vacancies for that Quarter. To the extent that Actual Vacancies are filled throughout the Quarter (i.e. Expected Vacancies do not eventuate, or eventuate for a shorter than anticipated period), the Placement Capacity Payment will no longer apply, and will be replaced by the applicable Funding Package Payment for the remaining days of the Quarter. A reconciliation will be undertaken at the Payment Reconciliation Date.

3.4. Interim Care Vacancy Payment

- (a) The Interim Care Vacancy Payment applies only for Interim Care.
- (b) The Interim Care Vacancy Payment covers the cost of maintaining Actual Vacancies, where there is no Child or Young Person in care. An Interim Care Vacancy Payment will be paid for each unit of Actual Vacancies, not currently filled with a Placement. Actual Vacancies can occur when:
 - i. Child or Young Person is transitioned out of a Service Provider's care (including through achievement of permanency); or
 - ii. there is insufficient Placement demand.
- (c) The Interim Care Vacancy Payment will be equal to the Baseline Package for Interim Care listed in Table 6 (Appendix A) for the first 14 calendar days of a placement vacancy, and thereafter will be equal to the amount listed in Table 8 (Appendix A).
- (d) The total Interim Care Vacancy Payment will be calculated in advance for each Quarterly Date, based on the number of Expected Vacancies for that Quarter. To the extent that Actual Vacancies are filled throughout the Quarter (i.e. Expected Vacancies do not eventuate, or eventuate for a shorter than anticipated period), the Interim Care Vacancy Payment will no longer apply, and will be replaced by the applicable Funding Package Payment for the remaining days of the Quarter. A reconciliation will be undertaken at the Payment Reconciliation Date.

3.5. Adoption Legal Work Payment

- (a) This is a fixed payment for legal adoption work undertaken by the Accredited Adoption Service Provider for Children and Young People with a Case Plan Goal of adoption where legal work has been undertaken.
- (b) The payment is triggered at the commencement of the court action and only applies to Accredited Adoption Service Providers. The amount will be paid in the next subsequent quarterly payment. The quantum of the Adoption Legal Work Payment is specified in Table 5 (Appendix A).

3.6. Cultural Plan (Aboriginal) Payment

- (a) In respect of Cultural Plan payments for Aboriginal Children and Young People, the Service Provider will be paid:
 - i. a one-off payment intended for all Aboriginal Children and Young People entering care to:
 - 1) Develop and establish an individual cultural care plan and support participation in cultural activities; and
 - 2) Support comprehensive family finding and genealogy work including family group conferencing and participation of family and kin in establishing genealogy trees and relationship maps; or
 - ii. a support payment in each subsequent financial year to support the review of cultural plans and participation in cultural activities.

The payment is automatically paid based on a Child or Young Persons Aboriginal status in ChildStory. The quantum of the Cultural Care Plan (Aboriginal) payment is specified in Table 5 (Appendix A).

3.6. Aboriginal Transition Support Payment

- (a) The Aboriginal Transition Support Payment is effective from 1 July 2023. Prior to 1 July 2023, the Aboriginal Transition Support Payment does not apply.
- (b) Commencing 1 July 2023, a Service Provider who is an Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation, will be paid an Aboriginal Transition Support Payment, as specified in Table 10 (Appendix A).
- (c) Payments are made annually in Quarter 1 of each financial year.

3.7. Sustainability Payment

- (a) The Sustainability Payment is effective from 1 July 2023. Prior to 1 July 2023, the Sustainability Payment does not apply.
- (b) The Sustainability Payment is available only for non-Aboriginal Foster Care Service Providers with less than 100 contracted placements.
- (c) The Sustainability Payment is not automatic and will be available on a needs basis approved by DCJ.

3.8. Abatements

- (a) Abatements may apply to the provision of Services based on the Service Provider's KPIs set out in Appendix A of Schedule 2.
- (b) If at any time subsequent to the commencement of the Term, a Performance Failure occurs, DCJ may make Abatements from any Service Payment.
- (c) No reduction in Abatements shall be permitted where the same event causes more than one type of Performance Failure.
- (d) Abatements will be applied at the time DCJ becomes aware of a Performance Failure and the DCJ Representative has received approval to apply that abatement from DCJ's delegated decision maker at the Executive Director level (or equivalent or higher).
- (e) DCJ will be entitled to apply Abatements retrospectively.
- (f) A Service Provider may submit additional information which DCJ may take into consideration when determining whether to apply the relevant Abatement.

4. Service Provider Declaration

I have read, understood and agree with the Schedule 3 Payment Provisions as it relates to the Program Level Agreement.

Service Provider: «Provider_Name»

Delegated Signatory

Name: _____

Position in Organisation: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Department of Communities and Justice:

Delegated Signatory

Name: _____

Position in Organisation: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Appendix A: Service Price List

Service Prices from the Service Start Date

The subsequent sections of this Appendix set out the Permanency Support Program's Service Price which apply subsequent to the Service Start Date for Foster Care, Interim Care, Intensive Therapeutic Care, Intensive Therapeutic Transitional Care Service Providers (as appropriate).

For the avoidance of doubt, eligibility for the Service Price has been summarised in Table 1 below.

The amounts in this section include indexation for 2024/25 and will apply from 1 July 2024.

Table 1: Overview of payments

Component parts	Eligibility for Payment
<p>1) Service Payment, comprising of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Case Plan Goal Package (b) Baseline Package (c) Child Needs Package and (d) Other Specialist Packages 	<p>For Foster Care (including Temporary Care Arrangements), Aboriginal Foster Care, Supported Independent Living, Therapeutic Supported Independent Living, Therapeutic Home Based Care, Therapeutic Sibling Option Placement, the Service Payment is comprised of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Case Plan Goal Package; (b) Baseline Package; (c) Child Needs; and (d) Other Specialist packages
<p>2) Service Payment, comprising of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Baseline Package 	<p>For Interim Care and Intensive Therapeutic Transitional Care, the Service Payment comprises the Baseline Package. From 1 January 2024, for Therapeutic Supported Independent Living (over 18) and Supported Independent Living (over 18), the Service Payment comprises the Baseline Package.</p>
<p>3) Service Payment, comprising of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Baseline package (b) House package 	<p>For Intensive Therapeutic Care Homes and Intensive Therapeutic Care Significant Disability) the Service Payment comprises the Baseline Package (Child Package) and a House Package.</p>
<p>4) Placement Capacity payment</p>	<p>This payment is for Foster Care Service Providers only. Effective until 30 June 2023.</p>
<p>5) Interim Care Vacancy payment</p>	<p>This payment is for Interim Care Service Providers only.</p>
<p>6) Placement Establishment Payment</p>	<p>This payment is for Interim Care, Intensive Therapeutic Transitional Care, Intensive Therapeutic Care Significant Disability and Intensive Therapeutic Care Homes Service Providers only.</p>
<p>7) Aboriginal Transition Support Payment</p>	<p>This payment is for Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisations only. Effective from 1 July 2023.</p>
<p>8) Sustainability payment</p>	<p>This payment is for non-Aboriginal Foster Care service providers with less than 100 contracted places on a needs basis. Effective from 1 July 2023.</p>

The quantum and units for payments described above are set out below.

Case Plan Goal Package

Table 2: Case Plan Goal Package

	Units	Day	Annual
Restoration/Guardianship/Adoption	Per Child or Young Person	\$91.26	\$33,309.90
Long Term Care	Per Child or Young Person	\$38.23	\$13,953.95

Baseline Packages

Table 3: Baseline Packages

	Units	Day	Annual
Foster Care	Per Child or Young Person	\$135.68	\$49,523.20
Aboriginal Foster Care – only applicable to OCG accredited Aboriginal Organisations	Per Child or Young Person	\$140.61	\$51,322.65
Intensive Therapeutic Transitional Care (for Homes with a maximum capacity of four Children or Young People at any one time)	per Home	\$7,046.16	\$2,571,848.40
Intensive Therapeutic Care Home 2-bed Child Package Payment	Per Child or Young Person	\$1,381.69	\$504,316.85
Intensive Therapeutic Care Significant Disability 2-bed Child Package Payment	Per Child or Young Person	\$1,381.69	\$504,316.85
Intensive Therapeutic Care Home 4-bed Child Package Payment	Per Child or Young Person	\$328.60	\$119,939.00
Intensive Therapeutic Care Significant Disability 4-bed Child Package Payment	Per Child or Young Person	\$495.27	\$180,773.55
Therapeutic Sibling Option Placement	Per Child or Young Person	Determined on a case by case basis by the DCJ Contract Manager (acting in its absolute discretion). The quantum of the Baseline Package will be calibrated to make the Service Provider whole for the cost of Service delivery and accommodation only.	
Therapeutic Supported Independent Living	Per Child or Young Person	\$343.03	\$125,205.95
Supported Independent Living	Per Child or Young Person	\$288.61	\$105,342.65
Therapeutic Supported Independent Living (for young adults over 18 years of age). Effective 1 January 2024	per adult	\$343.03	\$125,205.95
Supported Independent Living (for young adults over 18 years of age). Effective 1 January 2024.	per adult	\$288.61	\$105,342.65
Therapeutic Home Based Care	Per Child or Young Person	\$450.07	\$164,275.55

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Interim Care (for homes with a maximum capacity of four Children or Young People at any one time)	Per Child or Young Person	\$881.09	\$321,597.85
Interim Care (for homes with a maximum capacity of three Children or Young People at any one time)	Per Child or Young Person	\$1,075.19	\$392,444.35
Case Coordination - Post Permanency Casework Support	Per Child or Young Person	\$54.26	\$19,804.90
Case Coordination -Restoration Support	Per Child or Young Person	\$54.26	\$19,804.90
Case Coordination - Not in Placement	Per Child or Young Person	\$77.48	\$28,280.20

Child Needs Packages

Table 4: Child Needs Packages

	Units	Day	Annual
Low needs	Per Child or Young Person	\$15.52	\$5,664.80
Medium needs	Per Child or Young Person	\$24.38	\$8,898.70
High needs	Per Child or Young Person	\$37.97	\$13,859.05

Other Specialist Packages

Table 5: Other Specialist Packages

Package	Conditions	Service Price Per Package
Additional Carer Support	Specialist package to better support children with a range of diagnosed needs and behaviours that require additional carer capacity and case responsiveness. Eligibility is determined on a case by case basis.	\$29,942.48
Complex Needs	<p>Exceptional circumstances where services and supports may be required to address an individual Child or Young Person's extraordinary needs.</p> <p>Service Provider to provide competitive price and DCJ may wish to obtain alternative quote if initial price appears unreasonable.</p>	Case by case and for the required period determined.
Cultural Plan (Aboriginal)	One off Payment for new Aboriginal Child or Young Person entering care to support cultural care planning, participation in cultural activities, family finding and genealogy work.	\$4,320.21
	Annual payment for Aboriginal Child or Young person in each subsequent year in care (paid in the following year after the first year of cultural plan package) to support review of cultural plans and participation in cultural activities.	\$512.26

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CALD	To support culturally appropriate recruitment and training. One off payment.	\$1,754.00
15+ Years Old Reconnect	To support young people 15 years and older who have no family contact whilst in care to support reconnection (where safe to do so). Annual payment for three years.	\$2,388.47
Leaving Care	To support young people 15 years and older preparing to exit long term care. Annual payment for three years.	\$1,576.26
4+ Siblings Options Placement	Additional payment to support the ongoing infrastructure costs to establish sibling group alternative Placements. Annual payment for the collective sibling group, the period and timing of payment be determined by DCJ.	\$25,099.22
Adoption Legal Work	One off payment to support legal adoption work undertaken by the Accredited Adoption Service Provider for Children and Young People with a Case Plan Goal of adoption where an adoption court application has been prepared/filed.	\$14,194.99

Intensive Therapeutic Care Homes and Intensive Therapeutic Care Significant Disability House Package Payment

Table 6: ITC House Package Payment

	Units	Day	Annual
2-bed house	per Home	\$1,183.66	\$432,035.90
4-bed house	per Home	\$3,411.02	\$1,245,022.30

When a 2-bed house is vacant (i.e. no children in placement), the 2-bed house package payment is not applicable.

Placement Capacity Payment

Table 7: Placement Capacity Payment

		Day	Annual
Foster Care	per Actual Vacancy	\$35.76	\$13,052.40

Interim Care Vacancy Payment

Table 8: Interim Care Vacancy Payment

	Units	Day	Annual
Interim Care (for homes with a maximum capacity of four Children or Young People at any one time)	Per Actual Vacancy	\$627.75	\$229,128.75

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Interim Care (for homes with a maximum capacity of three Children or Young People at any one time)	Per Actual Vacancy	\$808.70	\$295,175.50
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Placement Establishment Payment

Table 9: Placement Establishment Payment

	Units	One off
Interim Care	One off payment per new home	\$15,923.08
Intensive Therapeutic Care Homes	One off payment per new home	\$15,923.08
Intensive Therapeutic Transitional Care	One off payment per new home	\$15,923.08
Intensive Therapeutic Care Significant Disability	One off payment per new home	\$15,923.08

Aboriginal Transition Support payment

Table 10: Aboriginal Transition Support Payment

	Conditions	Service price per package
Aboriginal Transition Support Payment	An annual upfront payment, made in full, to Service Providers who are an Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation. Effective 1 July 2023.	\$155,625.00

Sustainability payment

Table 11: Sustainability Payment

	Conditions	Service price per package
Sustainability Payment	An upfront annual payment, made to non-Aboriginal Foster Care Service Providers with less than 100 contracted placements on a needs basis. Effective 1 July 2023.	Up to \$103,750.00

Appendix B: Service Delivery Volume

- (a) Appendix B sets out the Service Provider's Maximum Contracted Volumes for Intensive Therapeutic Care Homes, Intensive Therapeutic Care Significant Disability, Intensive Therapeutic Transitional Care, Interim Care and Foster Care Services; and location(s) for Intensive Therapeutic Care Homes, Intensive Therapeutic Care Significant Disability and Interim Care, during the term of the Permanency Support Program.
- (b) Actual Volume in Foster Care means the number of Children and Young People receiving a service from a Service Provider over the Service Delivery Period. For Foster Care, this includes children and young people receiving a case coordination package. Actual Volume in Intensive Therapeutic Care Homes and Intensive Therapeutic Care – Significant Disability means the number of 4 bed and 2 bed homes the provider is expected to have available for children and young people.
- (c) Contracted Volumes will not be set for Therapeutic Sibling Option Placements, Therapeutic Supported Independent Living, Therapeutic Home Based Care, Case Coordination or Supported Independent Living. DCJ will formally request Service Providers to provide a number of placements by placement type and location as the need arises for these placement types. These placements will be paid based on actuals.
- (d) The parties acknowledge and agree that the Minimum Contracted Volume and Maximum Contracted Volume set out in this Appendix may be varied by DCJ in accordance with section 7.5 (Variation to increase the Contracted Volume), or section 7.6 (Variation to decrease Contracted Volume) as set out in the Program Level Agreement.

[Note: Tables to be inserted]