Southern Health and Social Care Trust

Information Governance Team

FOI 2510

9 July 2024

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT 2000 – INFORMATION REQUEST

We are seeking to understand the way in which your foster carers are being paid in your service.

<table>
<tr><th>Request</th><th>Reply</th></tr>
<tr><td>Your 2023/24 fee/reward structure for mainstream foster carers (NB this is different to allowances for the child):

i) Details of the levels/bands for carers and how much you pay each per week.

ii) The number of mainstream foster carers on each level/band, including those that receive no fee on top of the child's allowance.</td><td>£12769.12
£18000.00
£19093.68
£27,000.00
£36,000.00

£12769.12 = £244.89 Weekly
£18000.00 = £345.21 Weekly
£19093.68 = £367.33 Weekly
£27,000.00 = £517.81 Weekly
£36,000.00 = £690.42 Weekly

£12769.12 = 33
£18000.00 = 29
£19093.68 = 1
£27,000.00 = 11
£36,000.00 = 1

No Fees = 248</td></tr>
<tr><td>For kinship foster carers :
i) Details of the levels/bands for carers and how much you pay per week at each level/band.
ii) The number of kinship foster carers on each level/band including those that receive no fee</td><td>No Fees</td></tr>
<tr><td>Your 2023-24 weekly foster carer fee (not allowance) payments for former foster carers looking after young people in GEM scheme arrangements, broken down by year 1, year 2, and year 3 if necessary.</td><td><table>
<tr><th>PAYMENT PERIOD</th><th>ENHANCED PAYMENTS</th><th>FEES</th></tr>
<tr><td>01.04.2021 – 30.03.2022</td><td>£</td><td>£ 10,000.00</td></tr>
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	31.03.2022 – 31.03.2023	£ 3,770.12	£ 21,000.00
	01.04.2023 – 30.04.2024	£ 8,651.34	£ 21,000.00

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