Child Welfare Services
Respite Program

Maxim Healthcare Services

What is Respite?
- Respite is intermittent care for children
- All families with at least one dependent of San Diego County Court qualify
- Foster families are granted 50 Respite hours per calendar quarter
  - Q1: Jan-March
  - Q2: April-June
  - Q3: July-Sept.

Requesting Care
- Respite is available to caregivers 24/7
- Respite should be requested at least one week in advance
- Emergency requests are accepted
- Care can be provided in the family’s home or in the provider’s home

Hours
- Hours that are not utilized for the quarter will not roll over to the next quarter
- It is the responsibility of the parents to keep track of the hours utilized
  - Foster families that go over their authorized hours are responsible for the remaining charges
  - Families are encouraged to call the office if they are unsure of how many hours they have left

Hours Continued
- Excess Hours
  - Excess hours are granted occasionally for special circumstances.
  - They must be requested and approved before the respite takes place
  - Requests are submitted by the caregiver’s social worker
  - Maxim has no control over approvals

Restrictions
- Respite cannot be used for employment purposes
- The County has identified the hours between 10 pm – 6 am to be the designated 8 hours of sleep time
  - Under the contract, these 8 hours will not count towards the allotted 50 hours
  - Under the contract, these 8 hours will not be paid to the provider
- Providers are not allowed to drive children without prior office approval
- Providers are not allowed to give any medication to the children
  - Medication reminders are allowed
- Families enrolled in the Options program are not allowed to receive respite through Maxim

Join the Maxim Team
- In order to be considered for a position, candidates must have the following requirements:
  - CPR & First Aid Certification
  - Completed in a classroom setting with return demonstration
  - TB test
    - Done within the past 90 days*
  - Approved Home Care Aide Registration and LiveScan
• Website: https://secure.dss.ca.gov/cld/hcsregistry/about.aspx

8  Pay Rates
   ▶ 1 child
      ◦ Up to 9 hours- Amount paid to provider $12
      ◦ After 9 hours- Amount paid to provider $18
   ▶ 2 or more children
      ◦ Up to 9 hours- Amount paid to provider $14
      ◦ After 9 hours- Amount paid to provider $21
   ▶ 1 child (Medically Fragile)
      ◦ Up to 9 hours- Amount paid to provider $13
      ◦ After 9 hours- Amount paid to provider $19.50
   ▶ 2 or more children (Medically fragile)
      ◦ Up to 9 hours- Amount paid to provider $19.28
      ◦ After 9 hours- Amount paid to provider $28.92

9  Contact Us
   ▶ Available 24/7
      ◦ Office: Monday – Friday 8am-5pm
      ◦ Emergency Line: After hours and on weekends
   ▶ Phone: (619) 298-7548
   ▶ Fax: (877) 306-5730
   ▶ Email: SanDiegoCompanionServices@maxhealth.com
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10 Questions?