



Ohio Administrative Code

Rule 5180:2-50-06 Bridges approved supervised independent living settings and visitation requirements.

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(A) Pursuant to rule 5101:2-50-04 of the Administrative Code, a Title IV-E FCM program eligible bridges participant is reimbursable when the bridges participant is residing in an approved supervised independent living setting.

(B) ODJFS approved supervised independent living settings include:

(1) Leased housing;

(2) Room and board arrangements including in-home, supportive in-home and host homes;

(3) College or university dormitories;

(4) Emergency housing;

(5) Community and supervised community housing; and

(6) Shared roommate settings.

(C) ODJFS is the final decision making authority in the determination if a supervised independent living setting is considered approved or unapproved.

(D) A bridges participant is to reside in an approved supervised independent living setting to maintain Title IV-E FCM program reimbursable status.

(E) Reimbursable approved supervised independent living settings located outside of Ohio are limited to the settings described in paragraph (B) of this rule.

(F) The bridges representative is to conduct face to face visits every thirty calendar days with the



bridges participant, even if their living setting is not considered Title IV-E program reimbursable, while enrolled in bridges. These visits are to occur in their approved supervised independent living setting, if applicable, or their non-reimbursable living setting.

If the bridges participant's living setting is a college or university dormitory, the monthly face to face visit may occur on campus by the bridges representative at a location other than the participant's dormitory room, at the request of the participant.

(G) Face to face visits every thirty calendar days are to be conducted by the bridges representative for each minor dependent, in the approved supervised independent living setting, for which a dependent add-on cost is provided.

(H) If the circumstances of the case necessitate more than one visit every thirty calendar days, additional face to face visits are to be conducted by the bridges representative.

(I) The bridges representative is to conduct courtesy monthly face to face visits for Fostering Connections to Success and Increasing Adoptions Act of 2008 eligible emancipated young adults placed into an approved supervised independent living setting in Ohio through the "Interstate Compact for the Placement of Children" process.

(J) In order to request courtesy monthly face to face visits of an Ohio bridges participant residing in another state, the bridges representative is to follow the directives outlined in Chapter 5101:2-52 of the Administrative Code and the regulations of the interstate compact located at:
<http://icpc.aphsa.org/content/AAICPC/en/ICPCRegulations.html>.

(K) Visits for bridges participants are to be documented in the bridges case record in the statewide automated child welfare information system (SACWIS) and at a minimum, address the following through observation and information obtained during the visit:

(1) The safety and well-being of the bridges participant, and any dependent minor child, within the approved supervised independent living setting;

(2) The progress of the bridges participant toward their bridges case plan goals; and



(3) Any new or pertinent information that is affecting the bridges participant.