



## **Summit DD Locally Funded Family Support Services Plan for 2010**

**Summit DD pledges all State FSS allocated dollars toward waiver match; Summit DD Family Support Services plan is funded in total with local dollars.**

### Family Support Services (FSS) Description:

FSS is a locally funded program to provide supports to persons served and their families who may not otherwise be able to access services. The FSS program is intended to fund services that are therapeutic, and typically include but may not be limited to respite services, environmental accessibility adaptations, and adaptive equipment. These service areas were determined as the result of needs surveys and family focus groups. An application is required to be completed and approved prior to service provision. The provision of all 2010 FSS services will be administered by a third-party administrator. The FSS funding available per person per twelve month period is not to exceed \$1,100.00. A Family Co-Pay may be required.

### Eligibility Requirements:

In order to determine if a person is eligible to participate in the FSS program, each person requesting service will be required to complete an application prior to service provision. Each application will be individually reviewed to determine program eligibility. The application process will assess if a family is required to provide a co-payment for the FSS services.

To be eligible for FSS funded services, the participant must disclose all other available funding sources at the time of FSS application or at any time funding is awarded. Persons with other funding sources available may not be eligible to participate in the Summit DD FSS program.

Persons requesting to participate in FSS service areas should not have similar services available through other means.

### Service Description:

#### **Respite Care:**

Staff support on a short-term basis to the person served, in the family home or out of the family home, intended to aid families in crisis. Respite can be delivered by a certified and approved provider or by a family chosen provider. Respite services include 24 hour paid staff support and day programs operated for less than 24 hours.

#### **Environmental Accessibility Adaptations:**

Changes to a home that enable a person to function with greater independence. Examples include:

- Installing ramps and grab-bars
- Widening doorways
- Modifying bathrooms to be wheelchair accessible
- Installing specialized electric and plumbing systems to accommodate medical equipment
- Yard fences to assist with managing safety and supervision needs



**Adaptive Equipment:**

Equipment which helps individuals with activities of daily living. Examples include:

- Devices, controls or appliances which help people with daily living or to communicate.
- Items necessary for life support and the supplies and equipment necessary for upkeep.
- Durable and non-durable equipment that is not paid for by the Medicaid State plan.
- Devices or equipment to help individuals function more independently in the community while ensuring their health and safety.

**Other Stipulations:**

- Individuals who receive Medicaid Waiver funded services are not eligible unless explicitly approved by the FSS Administrator.
- Day care and after school care is *not* available to children who would typically require such care.
- Participating Agency Respite Providers will be paid a maximum hourly rate of \$12.75 per hour, or a maximum daily rate of \$127.50 per day (minimum of 10 hrs required).
- Participating Individual Certified / Family Chosen Respite Providers will be paid a maximum hourly rate of \$10.75 per hour, or a maximum daily rate \$107.50 per day (minimum of 10 hrs required).
- Families must complete appropriate paperwork as directed by the third party administrator.
- A training requirements waiver must be signed to utilize a family chosen provider.

**Family Support Services Sliding Fee Scale / Co- Pay:**

- Family co-pay will be required based on the family taxable income schedule, which shall be verified by the contract agency through certification or submission of the most current year 1040 document.
- The family shall be responsible for reporting any changes in income. Family taxable income shall be based on Federal taxable income (after applicable deductions) and is the sum total of all individuals' income in the household; exclusive of the individual with the disability or delay.

Co-pay standard:

-	\$27,258 or less	0%
-	\$27,529 - \$37,759	10%
-	\$37,760 - \$48,260	30%
-	\$48,261 - \$62,261	50%
-	\$62,262 - \$79,762	75%
-	\$79,763 and over	100%