

FSF Subsidy Rates

Service Type	Funding Limit (indexed annually)
All eligible service types (excluding VC, FDC and IHC)	Services are eligible for a \$15.95 hourly contribution with a daily cap of 5 hours for a maximum of 20 days (or 100 hours) each year, from date of approval, in respect of each eligible child enrolled.
Vacation Care	Services are eligible for a \$15.95 hourly contribution with a daily cap of 8 hours for a maximum of 10 days (or 80 hours) each year, from date of approval, in respect of each eligible child enrolled.
Family Day Care and In Home Care	<p>Services are eligible for a \$15.95 hourly contribution with a weekly cap of 5 hours for a maximum of 5 weeks (or 25 hours) each year, from date of approval, in respect of each eligible child enrolled.</p> <p>FSF can be used to employ an additional worker to increase the staff: child ratio above licensing requirements on out of home excursions such as playgroups or vacation care excursions. It can also be used to provide a financial contribution for carers who are unable to attend specialist training during business hours. Training must relate specifically to the additional support needs of a child in care. Carers are eligible for a \$15.95 hourly contribution for a maximum of 15 hours each year.</p> <p>FSF cannot be used to employ an additional worker within the FDC or IHC home environment.</p>
All service types	Services are eligible to apply for FSF to allow release time for permanent staff and carers to attend specialist training and/or prepare SSPs in respect of a child with ongoing high support needs. There is a combined 15 hour limit per service, each year, for these activities. Note: Services are advised to apply for funding for these activities as required, not as a lump sum.