



DHS Child Care Assistance Explanation

Hello Parents,

I would like to take the time to explain how DHS works for Child Care Assistance here at UMCH. DHS pays for child care on an hourly rate and the amount that DHS pays is based on the percentage at which the parent was approved. Here at UMCH, our rate is based on a weekly amount NOT on an hourly rate. See second page for an example as to how this all works out.

DHS DEPARTMENT HOURLY RATES

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PROVIDER TYPE	CHILD'S AGE	
	0-2 1/2 Yr	2 1/2 Yr +
Child Care Center	\$3.75	\$2.50

The DHS Department pays part of the cost of child care for approved families. This part is the Department Pay Percent (DP %). The DP% can be from 70% to 100% of the Department rate. The DHS Department does not pay the family's share of the child care payment. It is the provider's responsibility to collect what the DHS Department does not pay from the parent.

Please note, that UMCH can only bill DHS for the ACTUAL hours that your child is in care. If your child is here more than the hours that they are approved for, we can only bill up to the approved hours. Also, we can bill for a limited amount of sick time per year.

DHS Hourly Rates based on DHS %

	100%	95%	80%	70%
Child Age 0 - 2 1/2	\$3.75	\$3.57	\$3.00	\$2.63
Child Age 2 1/2 and older	\$2.50	\$2.38	\$2.00	\$1.75

For Example

If your child is 0 - 2 1/2 yrs old and DHS hourly rate is \$3.75 and DHS is paying 100% see below example:

Weekly Amount

UMCH Weekly Tuition	DHS Hourly Rate	Percentage Approved	Hours Approved Weekly	Amount DHS will Pay	Weekly Parent Pay Amt.
\$200.00	\$3.75 based on 100%	100%	40	\$150.00	\$50.00

Bi-weekly Amount

UMCH Bi-Weekly Tuition	DHS Hourly Rate	Percentage Approved	Hours Approved Weekly	Amount DHS will Pay	Bi-Weekly Parent Pay Amt.
\$400.00	\$3.75 based on 100%	100%	80	\$300.00	\$100.00

Another Example

If your child is 2 1/2 yrs old and older and DHS hourly rate is \$2.50 and DHS is paying 95% see below example:

Weekly Amount

UMCH Weekly Tuition	DHS Hourly Rate	Percentage Approved	Hours Approved Weekly	Amount DHS will Pay	Weekly Parent Pay Amt.
\$120.00	\$2.38 based on 95%	95%	35	\$83.30	\$36.70

Bi-weekly Amount

UMCH Bi-Weekly Tuition	DHS Hourly Rate	Percentage Approved	Hours Approved Weekly	Amount DHS will Pay	Bi-Weekly Parent Pay Amt.
\$240.00	\$2.38 based on 95%	95%	70	\$166.60	\$73.40

*I encourage you to try with your DHS information:

Take the number of hours your child attended in two weeks (make sure it does not go over the # of hours allowed) and multiply it by \$3.75 (for infants) or \$2.50 (for preschool). Then multiply it by the % you are allowed. This is the expected amount that UMCH will receive from DHS. The difference between what DHS will cover and UMCH tuition is the parents responsibility.

\$ _____

the amount you are charged for two weeks care

\$ _____

(minus) the amount you figure DHS to cover

\$ _____

the amount you should plan to pay “out of pocket”