Children’s Division Resource Parent Transportation Reimbursement FAQs

1. Where might the documentation required to support the foster youth’s development be located?

For the resource provider to be eligible for transportation, minus the first 10 miles, which supports the foster youth’s development, documentation may be found in the following, but not limited to places:

- FST notes
- Case Narrative
- Supervision notes

2. May the provider be reimbursed using the code, TRMD, for making visits to a foster youth in the hospital?

No. TRMD reimbursement code is for transporting a foster youth for medical services.

The resource parent may be reimbursed for making a visit to the hospital if the case plan is for the foster youth to return to the resource parent’s home upon discharge from the hospital. The code would be TRAN and the first ten (10) miles would not be reimbursed.

3. Does picking up prescriptions or eye glasses fall under TRMD?

No. It would be TRAN if it is supporting the development of the foster youth.

TRMD is the reimbursement code for transporting a foster youth to receive medical services. If the provider is going by the pharmacy after a physician’s visit with the foster youth to pick up a prescription, the trip would be included on the TRMD for the medical services round trip from the resource provider home to the physician’s location.

4. When is TRMD used in association with WIC?

TRMD is only used for transporting a foster youth for medical services. If the provider is taking the foster youth for a medical checkup, TRMD is used. If the provider is going to WIC to pick up formula vouchers they do not receive mileage reimbursement.

5. May the approval for frequent trips be used for all transportation requests?

No. Policy that allows for the Circuit Manager or Circuit Manager Designee in the metro areas to provide written standing approval for a specific foster youth and specific trip which is made frequently is for Level B Elevated Needs youth.

6. Is a visit with a juvenile officer considered court?

No. To fall under the allowable reimbursement it must be to an official court proceeding.

However, if meeting with the juvenile officer is a specific to support the development of the foster youth, it would be TRAN minus the first ten (10) miles.
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7. Is picking up a foster youth for custody and taking a foster youth home from custody reimbursable?

Yes, after the first ten (10) miles.

8. Is picking up and returning a foster youth for a pre-placement visit reimbursable?

Yes, after the first ten (10) miles.

9. May a respite provider be reimbursed for mileage?

Yes. Respite providers are eligible to receive allowable transportation per policy just as a licensed resource provider.

10. Is Preschool or Head Start considered school?

No. They are child care. Per policy no transportation costs for any child care services are reimbursable.

11. Is the code TRED used if the resource parent needs to transport the foster youth to school in order to support development of the foster youth?

No. TRED is only used per policy to support education stability by keeping the foster youth in their same school district.

If transportation of the foster youth to and/or from school is necessary to support the development of the foster youth, it is TRAN minus the first ten (10) miles.

12. If there are 3 foster youth the resource parent is taking to the physician and before returning home, one of the foster youth is dropped off at the therapist to be picked up later after the other 2 are returned to the resource home, how is that reflected on the CD-106?

- Complete a CD-106 for each foster youth.
- On each foster youth’s CD-106, enter the entire round trip miles in field 13. Let’s say that from the resource parent’s home to the furthest destination is a 10 mile round trip, 10 miles will be entered in field 13 of each foster youth’s CD-106.
- In field 16 on one foster youth’s CD-106 enter 3, on another enter 3 and on another enter 4. The entries on those three forms equal the 10 miles.
- When the resource provider picks up the one foster youth from the therapist, a new entry on the foster youth’s CD-106 will be made for that round trip from the resource home to the therapist’s location.

13. Is transporting a foster youth to and from their work place reimbursable?

Yes, when obtaining and maintaining employment is part of the foster youth’s case plan, the resource provider may be reimbursed for taking the foster youth to and from their work place.

Additional examples are provided in the CD-106 Instructions.