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ENHANCED FOSTER CARE

Overview

Enhanced Foster Care (EFC) is a new service available to children in foster care in Kent County who would benefit from additional support. EFC builds the capacity of caregivers to increase their knowledge and skills to effectively parent and nurture children who present with behavioral and emotional needs because of their trauma.

Support to Families

Caregivers receive added support from an EFC Clinical Case Manager and Behavioral Specialist to find creative solutions to assist the child placed with them learn alternative skills. Services are tailored to the child and based on a level system (EFC Level 1, 2, or 3). Level 3 EFC is used for children with the highest intensity of needs, while Level 1 is the level of support offered as a child is stepping down from EFC services. Families receive personalized training to help create a healing environment for the child placed in their home.

GET INVOLVED

WE NEED YOU! WMPc welcomes foster parents, mentors, and community members to help us create better futures for our community's children. Contact WMPc at info@wmpc.care

How is Enhanced Foster Care different from Treatment Foster Care?

Children receive EFC services in their current foster care placement. There are no specific requirements for the foster family to be able to provide EFC services. An Individual Service Agreement is developed between the foster care agency and the foster parent that identifies what the foster parents will do as part of the EFC treatment team.

EFC Foster Parent Daily Rate

Level 1 \$75.00

Level 2 \$88.00

Level 3 \$100.00

Make a Difference

Many children in foster care are placed in residential care and need a placement with a caring family. EFC was designed to support children in the community by providing the right level of training and support to caregivers at the moment it's needed. EFC is not possible without caring individuals willing to open their homes to children with complex needs. We know that positive connections rewire the brain and can bring healing to children who have experienced trauma. Families receiving EFC services can help change the trajectory for these children by supporting them to get through challenging times in their lives and helping them learn how to have healthy relationships. You can make a difference in a child's life by becoming a foster parent who receives and provides EFC services.

EFC is a service provided to children in foster care in Kent County by West Michigan Partnership for Children which is piloting an innovative performance-based funding model for foster care through a contract with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services.