

Adoption Subsidy Program – Comparison with Other States

	Illinois	Iowa	Kansas	Minnesota	Missouri	Nebraska	Wisconsin
Basic monthly rate (age 8) ¹	\$384 (77%)	\$452 (91%)	\$400 (81%)	\$277 (56%)	\$275 (55%)	\$291 (59%)	\$329 (66%)
Child care assistance available		Yes, for child's special needs	No, but the cost of "specialized child care" can be considered when determining the amount of monthly subsidy	Yes, but must apply for CCDF assistance first ²		Yes, generally use block grant rules and payment rates, although pay for slots rather than just days child is there. Adoptive parents can supplement payment if they want to use a more expensive provider. Do not require families to apply through block grant.	No.

¹ Information taken from a July 2002 North American Council on Adoptable Children (NACAC) report. First number is actual rate, % reflects % of USDA monthly estimate for that state.

² Minnesota requires the family apply for CCDF child care assistance program before applying to adoption subsidy. They will pay the co-pay from the adoption subsidy program if the family is assessed a co-pay.

~~Illinois~~

Results of Telephone Survey - Midwest States - April 2004

Illinois - Child Care Asst. Paid from
Child Care Asst. Program
for ages 0-3; after age 3 on your
own to cover costs.

Therapeutic Day Care - special needs
for any age out of Adoption Sub.
Program - Problems w/ the definition
as many parents trying to "throw in
anything" to be defined as therapeutic
day care.

South Dakota - If Child care costs are provided,
they're provided under State's
Child Care Asst. Program not
Adoption Sub. Program).

Michigan - Foster parents are eligible for
child care assistance.
Adoption Subsidy Program
does not pay for child care.
Parents may qualify under
State's Child Care Asst. Program).

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Nebraska

If both parents are working, they pay until child is 13 from the Adoption Subsidy Program but not at a rate greater than rec'd. in Foster Care.

Missouri - Does pay for child care ^{not} from the adoption subsidy program, if both parents work. - they pay at the rate contracted in their local community. Child care is paid from fed. funds, she believes - CDBG.

Wisconsin - No Child Care from Adoption Subsidy Program

Minnesota - 651-297-3636 Lori Rule
Didn't return call.

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