

441—117.9(237) Foster parent training expenses. No expense stipend is provided for orientation or preservice training.

117.9(1) *Training stipend.* Each family that is issued an initial or renewal foster family home license shall receive a \$100 stipend to be used for the family's annual in-service training. The department's recruitment and retention contractor shall issue one stipend per license on or after the date that the license is issued. When a family with a two-year foster family home license has completed the first training cycle of six hours of in-service training, the contractor shall issue the next training stipend no earlier than the start of the second year of licensure contingent upon the foster family's completion of the in-service training hours in the first cycle. Foster families who elect not to receive the \$100 stipend shall notify the department and the contractor.

117.9(2) *Trainer fees.* Foster parents and social workers who serve as trainers for approved preservice training programs shall each be paid a contract fee per class hour appropriate to community standards based upon the education and experience of each trainer. These rates shall be negotiated between the recruitment and retention contractor and the trainer.

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