

	<b>Alternative Payment Programs</b> <b>Parent &amp; Provider Policies &amp; Procedures Handbook</b>	<b>Addendum:</b>	<b>1-2016</b>	<b>Effective Date:</b>
		<b>Regional Market Rate Ceilings (RMRC)</b>		4/1/2016

**REGIONAL MARKET RATE CEILINGS (RMRC)** [Title 5, § 18074.2, 18075]

The Regional Market Rate Ceilings (RMCRs) are:

- Maximum reimbursement amounts for rate categories, determined by the State of California, limiting the amount CRR can reimburse providers
- The maximum reimbursement amounts parents are eligible for

The RMRC for each child is determined by considering all of the following factors:

- County where the child is receiving services
- Age of the child
- Provider type
- Total number of certified hours of child care

When child care is authorized for a total of 30 or more hours per week:

- The Full-Time Weekly RMRC will be used for all licensed providers
- The Full-Time Monthly RMRC will be used for all license-exempt Trustline providers

When child care is authorized for a total of less than 30 hour per week:

- The Part-Time Weekly RMRC will be used for licensed providers
- The Part-Time Hourly RMRC will be used for license-exempt providers

**APPLICATION OF THE REGIONAL MARKET RATE CEILINGS RMRC BASED ON SCHEDULE TYPE**

When processing a provider’s reimbursement, the Regional Market Rate Ceiling (RMRC) will be applied based on the type of schedule approved, a set schedule or variable schedule.

• **Reimbursement for Set Schedules**

Set schedules will be reimbursed according to the amount billed by the provider or the RMRC amount listed on the Certificate for Child Care Services, whichever is less.

- Exception: When a set schedule is authorized with a license-exempt provider for less than 30 hours per week, reimbursement will be based on the Part-Time Hourly RMRC for the actual care provided within each child’s authorized days and hours.

• **Reimbursement for Variable Schedules**

Variable schedules will be reimbursed according to the amount billed by the provider or the full-time (FT) or part-time (PT) RMRC listed on the Certificate for Child Care Services for the actual care provided within the certified child care schedule, whichever is less.

- Ex: A parent is authorized a variable schedule with a licensed provider for up to 35 hours per week, which is considered fulltime. The parent uses 29 hours, within the authorized days and times, which is considered part-time. The licensed provider’s reimbursement will be based on the Part-Time Weekly RMRC and the license-exempt Trustline provider reimbursement will be based on the Part-Time Hourly RMRC.

CRR will not reimburse for absences, vacations, holidays or provider closure days for children with variable schedules, which means the parent may be responsible for a co-payment to the provider for days that the child is absent from child care.