



Children's Services
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Mr. Bruce Armson, President
Ms. Rhonda Barraclough, Executive Director
ALIGN Association of Community Services
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Dear Mr. Armson and Ms. Barraclough:

I am pleased to advise that Alberta Children's Services has increased the basic maintenance allowance to foster and kinship caregivers, private guardians, and families receiving Supports for Permanency.

The basic maintenance *per diem* compensation rate has increased by 2 per cent retroactive to April 1, 2018. The chart below indicates the basic maintenance change for each age range.

Age Range	Per Diem Basic Maintenance Rates – April 1, 2014	Per Diem Basic Maintenance Rates – April 1, 2018	% Change
0 - 1	\$23.51	\$23.98	2
2 - 5	\$23.90	\$24.38	2
6 - 8	\$26.22	\$26.74	2
9 - 11	\$27.70	\$28.25	2
12 - 15	\$31.37	\$32.00	2
16 - 17	\$35.86	\$36.58	2

Please contact my office if you have any questions about the increase.

Sincerely,

Darlene Bouwsema
Deputy Minister