

# SPECIALIZED CARE INCREMENT (SCI) TRAINING

## What is a Specialized Care Increment? Previously known as D/F Rate

Payment program intended to compensate caregivers for the additional time, effort and expense required above and beyond that is identified in the Level Of Care (LOC) rate structure for children/youth with significant behavioral and emotional needs and/or with medical/health needs. \*

- ◆ A specialized Foster and Kinship Care Education curriculum, offered through the countywide community college system is mandatory for caregivers of youth who qualify for an SCI rate.
- ◆ The initial requirement is for participation in this 12-hour course, (offered at FKCE) plus an additional four (4) hours of specialized training ( can be taken at FKCS, FPC, hospital and/or other resources) to address your foster child/youth's individual needs; for a total of 16 training hours.
- ◆ In order to renew the SCI, on an annual basis, six (6) hours of additional specialized training is required.
- ◆ The specialized training may be taken through the community college system, or through online Foster Parent College courses.

## Foster Parent College (FPC)

[fosterparentcollege.com](http://fosterparentcollege.com)

## Foster & Kinship Care Education Program (FKCE)

<https://bit.ly/31BH89C>

Under the Z-Special Care Increment Master Training Folder

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**Offered at community colleges  
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