

SAFETY HELMETS/CHILD SAFETY SEATS – Entitlement Code 00 (Other)
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Description

SAFETY HELMETS

State law prohibits any child under the age of 16 from operating a bicycle or riding as a passenger on a bicycle on any road, bicycle path or sidewalk without wearing a helmet which is properly fitted and securely fastened.

Safety helmets are reimbursable up to a maximum of \$30.00 when purchased by foster parents (including relative foster parents, or approved relative placements) for use by children in the custody of DHS/DFCS. To obtain reimbursement, the caregiver must include the expense on the *Foster Care Invoice* (Form 526), and attach the receipt of purchase. Since there is no specific entitlement code for this expenditure, Accounting may charge up to \$30.00 to "Other" under the appropriate UAS Code for the child's eligibility.

CHILD SAFETY SEATS

Foster parents and other approved caregivers are required to utilize a federally approved child safety seat in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, when transporting children in their care, under the age of eight (8) years old.

Child Safety Seats are reimbursable up to a maximum of \$80.00 when purchased by foster parents (including relative foster parents, or approved relative placements), for use by children in the custody of DHS/DFCS. To obtain reimbursement, the caregiver must include the expense on the *Foster Care Invoice* (Form 526) and attach the receipt of purchase. Accounting may charge up to \$80.00 to "Other," under the appropriate UAS Code for the child's eligibility.

The County Department may use state funds to purchase car safety seats directly, if the child currently does not have a car seat, and one is needed to transport the child.

NOTE: Car seats purchased for a specific child must follow the child, whether it is purchased by the foster parent or directly by the county department.