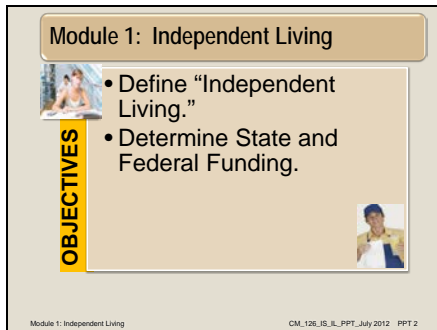


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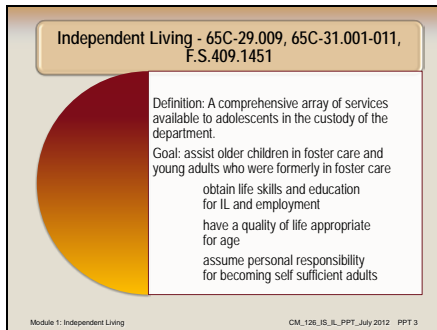
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State & Federal Funds

**Federal Funding Sources
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State funds for foster care or Federal fund are used to establish the continuum of services for eligible children.

- ✦ Chafee Funds
- ✦ Education and Training Voucher (ETV) funds

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Federal Funds

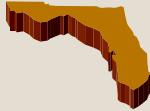


- ✦ Education and Training Voucher Funds (ETV)
 - ◆ Used for eligible students as the first option
 - ◆ Used for eligible students attending a postsecondary (college, university or vocational) school either part-time or full time.
- ✦ Chafee Funds
 - ◆ used for young adults under 21 years of age

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State Funds






- ✦ Must be used for young adults age 21 and 22 if they are not eligible for ETV funds.

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National Youth in Transition Database (NYTD)

-  John H. Chafee Foster Care Independence Program
-  Provides states with flexible funds for youth to transition out of foster care
-  Requires (ACF) Administration of Children and Families to develop:
 - a data collection system to track provision of IL services
 - outcomes that measure states' success in preparing youth

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Transition to Independent Services

- ☒ Pre-Transition (age 13 to 18)
 - ◆ Pre-Independent Living
 - ◆ Life Skills
 - ◆ Subsidized Independent Living
- ☒ Transition (age 18 to 23)
 - ◆ Aftercare Support Services
 - ◆ Road to Independence
 - ◆ Transitional Support Services

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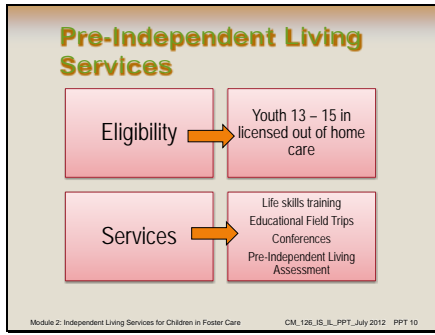
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Objectives

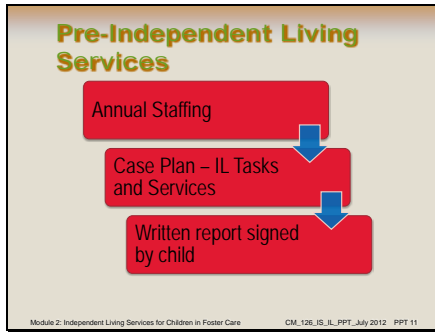
- ☒ Identify transitional services for children in foster care
- ☒ Examine the transitional services eligibility requirements for children in foster care

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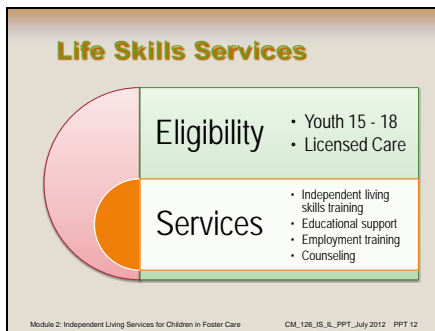
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Eligibility

- Placed in licensed out-of-home care at least 6 months prior
- Permanency goal of adoption or another planned permanent living arrangement
 - IL is permanency goal
 - Youth can demonstrate IL skills

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SIL Finances

- Board rate – maximum \$1,126 monthly (RTI amount)
- Determined by youth's expenses and cost of living
- Negotiated with youth
- Annual clothing allowance
- May receive additional incentives, not greater than \$50 each

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SIL Living Arrangements

- Live alone
- Roommate in dorm (no cohabitation)
- Rent a room from a family
- Background checks per 65C-28.009(7)(e), F.A.C.
 - Important for youth 16-18 who have found placement with unlicensed relatives/other adults to qualify for all possible post 18 IL programs.

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Minor Parents in Foster Care

- Parent/baby placed together unless baby's safety is at risk or there is no available home
- Dependency petition filed ONLY if there is an issue independent of the parent's status as a dependent child
- Foster home received enhanced board payment to include baby's needs

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Module 3: Independent Living Services for Young Adults Formerly in Foster Care

Objectives:

- Identify IL services provided to young adults formerly in foster care.
- Examine the IL services eligibility requirements for young adults formerly in care.

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Services for Young Adults Formerly in Care

The diagram consists of three overlapping circles. The top circle is pink and labeled 'Road to Independence'. The bottom-left circle is blue and labeled 'Aftercare Support Services'. The bottom-right circle is purple and labeled 'Transitional Support Services'. The circles overlap in the center and at the intersections between pairs of circles.

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**Independent Living Staffings
Mandatory Topics**

- ☒ Youths educational and work goals
 - ◆ Examine youth's progress and any obstacles to goal achievement
- ☒ Identify needed life skills and progress towards skills previously identified
- ☒ SIL program, including program requirements and benefits

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**Independent Living Staffings
Mandatory Topics**


- ☒ Road to Independence Program
 - ◆ Requirements and benefits
 - ◆ Tuition fee exemption and Bright Futures Program
- ☒ Permanency, including the youth's wishes regarding adoption
- ☒ Youth age 18, plans for living arrangement after 18 and needed life skills services

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Case File Audits

- ☒ Pre-Independent Living Services
- ☒ Life Skills
- ☒ Subsidized Independent Living
- ☒ Road To Independence
- ☒ Transitional Support Services
- ☒ Aftercare Support Services



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