

SUBCHAPTER 71L – MATERNITY HOME FUND

10A NCAC 71L .0101 NATURE AND SCOPE

(a) "Application for State Maternity Fund" Form DSS-6187, which may be accessed at <https://policies.ncdhhs.gov/divisional/social-services> for an individual needing out-of-home care during pregnancy must be submitted by a county department of social services or a North Carolina licensed private adoption agency to the North Carolina Division of Social Services for review and approval.

(b) The State Maternity Fund may assist with residential housing costs for up to 183 days, including up to two weeks of post-partum care for the mother only.

(c) The State Maternity Fund shall not be utilized for hospitalization and delivery services or other medical services. All medical services for State Maternity Fund clients residing in alternate living arrangements must be provided through other resources.

(d) The State Maternity Fund may be used to pay for residential care for a pregnant minor who is in the protective custody of a county department of social services when the minor is placed in a facility that is not approved to receive foster care funds.

(e) Living arrangements for which State Maternity Fund payments may be utilized to pay for the cost of residential care include:

- (1) A maternity home licensed by or meeting the maternity home standards of the State of North Carolina;
- (2) A foster family home for children licensed in North Carolina and used in accordance with the license issued for that home;
- (3) The home of a non-legally responsible relative in North Carolina jointly approved for a specific client by the North Carolina Division of Social Services and the agency requesting State Maternity Fund payments; or
- (4) For individuals 18 and over, a boarding arrangement in North Carolina jointly approved for a specific client by the North Carolina Division of Social Services and the referring agency.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 143B-153;
Eff. April 1, 1978;
Amended Eff. July 1, 1990; January 1, 1983;
Readopted Eff. September 1, 2021.*