

Family Support Services COPAYMENT SCHEDULE

Some families may be required to pay a portion of the costs involved in Family Support Services. Murray Ridge Center – Lorain County Board of Developmental Disabilities (LCBDD) bases family participation levels on an Income Schedule determined by the Ohio Department of Developmental Disabilities.

The copayment schedule for a family will be based on the family's taxable income as certified by signature. Income is based on the federal taxable income after applicable deductions. The individual and/or family is responsible for reporting any changes in income. The Board may consider extenuating circumstances in the determination of copayment.

The percentage of each family support service that the family pays is determined according to the following schedule:

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>PERCENTAGE OF CONTRIBUTION</u>
\$ 27,258 or LESS	0%
\$ 27,259 to \$ 37,759	10%
\$ 37,760 to \$ 48,260	30%
\$ 48,261 to \$ 62,261	50%
\$ 62,262 to \$ 79,762	75%
\$ 79,763 and OVER	100%

If a family orders equipment through LCBDD, the family contribution must be paid in advance of the completion of the ordering process. If a family uses any outside vendor, the vendors require the payment of the family contribution at the time of services.

FUNDING REQUIREMENTS

To be assured of reimbursement, the family will obtain the estimated cost and prior approval of the expenditure from LCBDD before agreeing to services or signing a contract with a provider.

IF FAMILIES SPEND WITHOUT PRIOR APPROVAL OF THE FAMILY SUPPORT PARENT COMMITTEE. THEY DO SO AT THEIR OWN RISK OF BEARING THE EXPENSE.

Reimbursement/payment for services will be made by the Board using the following procedures:

- Upon approval of the request, the Family Support Coordinator will give the family a voucher in the amount of the approved service provider payment. The family will present the voucher and the family's share of the cost of the service to the provider when the service has been received or at such time as mutually agreed.
- Upon provision of services/products as specified on the voucher, the provider will redeem the voucher through LCBDD. The Board will reimburse the provider within forty-five days after the provider submits the voucher with required documentation.
- Reimbursement/service provider payments are processed through the LCBDD Business office following requirements of the county auditor.