

Beneficiary Cost-Share: Beneficiary cost-share (other than dependents of active duty members) for care paid on the basis of a regional per diem rate is the lower of \$149 per day or 25 percent of the hospital billed

charges effective for services rendered on or after October 1, 2000.
Cap Amount: Updated cap amount for hospitals and units with high

TRICARE volume is \$702 per day for FY 2001.
The following reflect an update of 3.4 percent for FY 2001.

PARTIAL HOSPITALIZATION RATES FOR FULL-DAY AND HALF-DAY PROGRAMS FY 2001

United States census region	Full-day rate (6 hours or more)	Half-day rate (3-5 hours)
Northeast:		
New England (ME, NH, VT, MA, RI, CT)	\$225	\$169
Mid-Atlantic (NY, NJ, PA)	242	182
Midwest:		
East North Central (OH, IN, IL, MI, WI)	213	160
West North Central (MN, IA, MO, ND, SD, NE, KS)	213	160
South:		
South Atlantic (DE, MD, DC, VA, WV, NC, SC, GA, FL)	231	173
East South Central (KY, TN, AL, MS)	249	187
West South Central (AR, LA, TX, OK)	249	187
West:		
Mountain (MT, ID, WY, CO, NM, AZ, UT, NV)	252	189
Pacific (WA, OR, CA, AK, HI)	246	185

The above rates are effective for services rendered on or after October 1, 2000.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

DoD Dependent Schools; Eligibility Requirements

AGENCY: DoD, DoDDS.

ACTION: Notice.

On September 8, 2000, the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Force Management Policy (ASD(FMP)), signed a memorandum to the Interim Director, Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA), changing DoD Directive 1342.12 "Eligibility Requirements for Education of Minor Dependents in Overseas Areas," dated July 8, 1982.

The change designates for enrollment on a space-available, tuition-free basis the class of dependents of NATO forces assigned to the NATO site at Larissa, Greece, excluding the host nation. This class waiver will be effective for school years 2000-2001 and 2001-2002, to the extent space is available, in order to allow sufficient time for the NATO command to explore other education options. This waiver will permit the enrollment of approximately 30 dependents of NATO forces. No

Department of Defense (DoD) funds may be used to hire additional English as a Second Language instructors. Either the NATO forces or the NATO families must ensure the students are prepared for English language instruction.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

DoD Directive 1342.13, "Eligibility Requirements for Education of Minor Dependents in Overseas Areas," dated July 2, 1982, is published at 32 CFR Pt. 71, and copies are available at cost from the National Technical Information Service, 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, VA 22161, or the DoDEA web site: www.odedodea.edu. Questions can be addressed to DoDEA Attention: Ms. Gail Terres, 4040 North Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA 22203-1635.

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DoD Dependent Schools; Eligibility Requirements

AGENCY: DoD, DoDDS.

ACTION: Notice.

On August 17, 2000, the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Force Management Policy (ASD(FMP)), signed a memorandum to change Department of Defense (DoD) Directive 1342.13,

"Eligibility Requirements for Education of Minor Dependents in Overseas Areas," dated July 8, 1982. The change provides financial assistance for the education of certain Defense dependents overseas in areas in which the Department of Defense Dependents Schools (DoDDS) does not operate a school. Sponsors must obtain approval for the allowance from the cognizant DoDDS approval authority prior to incurring any expense, with the amount of the educational allowance normally not to exceed the "at post" rate authorized by the Department of State Standardized Regulations (DSSR) (Government Civilians in Foreign Areas), Sections 031.1 and 277.1, for the overseas location to which the DoD sponsor is assigned. No allowance will be provided to defray the educational expenses of dependents of eligible sponsors stationed in overseas areas where local, tax-supported schools provide an educational program in the English language. In such instances, sponsors are expected either to send their dependents to local public schools or to be personally responsible for their private school tuition. The only exception to this policy will be for those dependents whose DoD sponsors are either assigned to a Department of State Activity or independently assigned as an exchange officer to a host nation program. In these cases, the DoD sponsor will be afforded the same educational allowance provided to Department of State employees, or to members of the host nation program to which the DoD sponsor is assigned or attached, up to the published DSSR rate.

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