

**Foster Care and Adoption Assistance—
CBO’s Estimate of the President’s Fiscal Year 2020 Budget**

Foster care and permanency programs are open-ended entitlement programs that provide partial reimbursements to states for the cost of providing foster care, adoption assistance, and kinship guardian assistance to children who meet certain federal eligibility criteria. Each state is reimbursed for direct financial assistance according to a formula—based on the state’s federal medical assistance percentage rate—which can range from 50 percent to 83 percent of the state’s cost per child. Administrative and training costs associated with foster care and permanency programs are reimbursed at 50 percent and 75 percent, respectively, for all states. About 60 percent of the amount in federal payments to states is for spending associated with support for foster care.

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Millions of Dollars, by Fiscal Year

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	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2020- 2024	2020- 2029
Increases in Direct Spending Outlays												
Promote Family-Based Care	14	18	32	36	41	47	43	42	42	42	141	357
Create Child and Family Services Review Incentives	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>110</u>
Total	14	18	39	44	49	55	64	64	60	60	164	467