

The cost of your child's care in Katie Beckett Part A and the Continued Eligibility Group

In Katie Beckett Part A and the Continued Eligibility Group, what TennCare would pay for a child's care at home can't be more than it would cost to provide their care in a medical institution. If it would cost more to provide the child's care at home, the child doesn't qualify for these Katie Beckett groups. This is part of federal and state law and TennCare's Katie Beckett waiver.

To decide your child's cost of care at home, we look at care your child would only need outside of a medical institution. This includes things like home health or nursing care, therapies, behavioral health (but not inpatient) care, medical equipment, and other home and community-based services.

Your child's cost of care in a medical institution depends on the kind of care they might need and qualify to receive—like a hospital or nursing home. TennCare will use medical records to decide what kind of institutional care your child would qualify to receive. They will tell you how much they estimate that care would cost. To enroll in Katie Beckett A, what TennCare expects to pay for your child's care at home can't be more than that amount. If it is, your child won't qualify to enroll in Katie Beckett Part A or the Continued Eligibility Group.

What if your child's needs change after you enroll in one of these Katie Beckett Groups? What if your child needs even more care? If TennCare's yearly cost for your child's care at home would be more than care in an institution, your child won't qualify to be in these Katie Beckett Groups anymore.

To apply for Katie Beckett Part A or the Continued Eligibility Group, you must read the section below AND sign to show that you understand these rules and agree to follow them.

I have read this page. I understand that my child will only qualify for Katie Beckett Part A or the Continued Eligibility Group if the cost of providing care at home isn't more than it would cost to provide care in an institution. TennCare will decide what kind of institution and how much that care would cost.

If TennCare's yearly cost of services is ever expected to be more than the cost of that kind of institutional care, I understand my child won't qualify for these Katie Beckett Groups anymore.

I also understand that if my child doesn't qualify to be in these Katie Beckett groups, my child probably won't qualify for Medicaid.

Child's Name

Medicaid or Social Security Number

Parent or Legal Guardian Signature

Date