



April 15, 2022

To: ODDS Staff, Case Management Entities and Providers
From: Lilia Teninty, Director, Office of Developmental Disabilities Services
Subject: Rate model changes coming in July

On July 1, 2022, the rates will change for Supported Living Services, Professional Behavior Services, Children's Foster Care Services and community transportation (mileage). Please review this message in full, so you can prepare.

Supported Living Services

In 2020, the Oregon Legislature granted funding to ODDS to implement a new rate model for Supported Living Services. We are working with providers and our contractor, Health Management Associates (formerly Burns and Associates), on the development of this new model.

We are currently analyzing data from providers that we collected in a cost study that closed in March 2022. Thank you, providers, for participating. This data will inform our development of the new rate model. We do not expect to be able to implement new Supported Living rate model on July 1, 2022.

Until the rate model is ready for implementation, ODDS plans to use the approved funding to implement a rate increase based on the current Supported Living rate tool effective July 1, 2022. On this date:

- ODDS will implement a 30% rate increase. This increase is expected to bring up the Direct Support Professional (DSP) wage assumption in the current budget tool to \$17.57.
- The currently implemented 8.2% will be included in the 30% increase, meaning the total increase starting July 1, 2022, will be 30%, not 38.2%.

This wage assumption aligns with the new rate models for other services that take effect in July 2022.

ODDS will continue to work with providers on the new rate model. We will update you on our progress and the timeline for implementation.

Professional Behavior Services and Children's Foster Care Services

ODDS implemented an 8.2% rate increase for Professional Behavior Services and Children's Foster Care Services on July 1, 2021. This 8.2% included a temporary 5% increase granted during the COVID-19 public health emergency and an additional 3.2% increase granted through POP119 funding.

On July 1, 2022:

- The temporary 5% COVID-related increase will end.
- The 3.2% increase from POP119 will remain in place.

Community transportation — mileage

ODDS confirmed the cost of mileage for transporting individuals in the community is **not** bundled into the new agency Attendant Care rates that take effect July 1, 2022. All In-Home Agency Providers will be able to continue to bill for mileage separately.

On July 1, 2022, the mileage rate will increase to \$0.56/mile.

Agency with Choice and new rate models for In-Home Services

ODDS and our partners are currently developing the Agency with Choice in-home agency model and its implementation strategy. This includes new rate models for agency provided in-home services. I hope to update about you about these developments later in the month.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Felicia".

Lilia Teninty
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