

# Information Memorandum Transmittal Developmental Disabilities Services



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**Number: DD-IM-22-030**

**Issue date: 3/10/2022**

**Topic:** Developmental Disabilities

**Due date:**

**Subject:** Rate Increase for DD Adult Foster Care Services April 2022

**Applies to (check all that apply):**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> All ODHS Employees                    | <input type="checkbox"/> County Mental Health Directors   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Area Agencies on Aging: {Select type} | <input type="checkbox"/> Health Services  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aging and People with Disabilities    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Office of Developmental Disabilities Services (ODDS)            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Self Sufficiency Programs             | <input type="checkbox"/> ODDS Children's Intensive In Home Services                                 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County DD Program Managers | <input type="checkbox"/> Stabilization and Crisis Unit (SACU)                                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Support Service Brokerage Directors   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other ( <i>please specify</i> ): DD Adult Foster Care Providers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ODDS Children's Residential Services  |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child Welfare Programs                |   |

**Message:** As a result of the 21-23 Collective Bargaining Agreement for DD Adult Foster Care Providers, ODDS will be increasing rates for Adult FC services provided beginning April 1, 2022.

DD Adult Foster Care providers will continue to receive the 5% rate increase awarded for 7/1/2021 and will receive **an additional 2.3%** rate increase **for service dates beginning April 1, 2022**. This rate increase applies to the services outlined below.

The **2.3%** rate increase effective 4/1/2022 for DD Adult Foster Care services applies to:

- DD Adult Foster Care services **SE158-ORAF-NA**
- Attendant Care 2:1 staff support hours for Adult Foster Care providers authorized under **SE257-OR526-ZE** from \$14.87/hour to **\$15.21/hour**.

The rate increase ***does not*** apply to:

- Transportation services, such as **OR004-Mileage** SPAs or **SE53-TRFFS-ALL** CPAs
- DD Children's Foster Care services **SE258- ORCFC-NA**

ODDS will facilitate the implementation of this additional 2.3% rate increase to existing POC Service Prior Authorizations (SPAs) through a systemized process **to be completed on Monday, March 14, 2022.**

**Starting on Friday, March 11, 2022, we ask CDDPs to not add or edit SPAs for Adult Foster Care providers, until after Wed 3/16/2022, as to not interfere with the rate increase process. If you have already added the increase to rates on 4/1/2022 or future SPAs please change them back, otherwise providers could potentially be overpaid.**

After Wed 3/16/2022, CDDPs will want to review their SPAs for DD Adult Foster Care providers that have a start date of **4/1/2022** to ensure that the rate listed on the SPA accurately reflects the appropriate rate increase. CDDPs can then add any new SPAs for DD Adult Foster Care services, assuring that the SPA date ranges align with the rate increase effective dates, and that the correct rate is entered for the applicable SPA dates.

The rate table entries for DD Adult Foster Care services (SE158-ORAF-NA), Attendant Care 2:1 staff support hours (SE257-OR526-ZE) will be updated in eXPRS to facilitate this rate increase work.

CDDP staff entering POC SPAs for these services with date ranges that cross from 3/31/2022 to 4/1/2022 may receive a validation error, as the SPA date range crosses the rate entry date-break. That validation error information is:

| ERROR MESSAGE:  | WHAT IT MEANS:   | HOW TO FIX IT:   |
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| <p><i>Your request could not be completed because: No positive ranked continuous rate for service element [xxx] procedure code [OR***] modifier code [W*] between [mm/dd/yyyy and mm/dd/yyyy]</i></p> | <p>The NTE rate table entry for the POC procedure/modifier code combination has a date break that falls within the date range of the SPA created. Since there is no continuous applicable NTE rate table entry for that procedure/modifier code combination, the SPA must be broken up into date ranges that align with the NTE rate table entry date ranges/breaks.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adjust the SPA(s) date range(s) to align with the NTE rate table date ranges, and then use the rate that applies for each separate SPA date range.</li> </ul> |

If CDDP staff encounter this error when entering and/or submitting SPAs for services impacted by the rate increase, adjustments to the SPA date range(s) will be needed to align with the rate increase dates.

- SPAs with the 7/1/2021 rate should end on 3/31/2022.
- SPAs with the additional 2.3% rate increase should begin on 4/1/2022 or later.

SPAs for DD Adult Foster Care services SE158-ORAF-NA or Attendant Care 2:1 staff supports SE257-OR526-ZE entered in eXPRS by CDDP staff after the rate

increase process has been completed, will also need to align with the applicable rate date ranges. CDDP program staff may need to break those authorizations by date range, using the applicable service rate for each date range separately. For rate corrections needed on SPAs that are no longer in ***draft*** status, please submit a POC Rate Update request to [ODDS.FundingAllocationCoordinator@dhsoha.state.or.us](mailto:ODDS.FundingAllocationCoordinator@dhsoha.state.or.us).

**Communication/training**: This transmittal will be discussed during the next Monthly Transmittal Review. Please send questions in advance to [ODDS.Questions@dhsoha.state.or.us](mailto:ODDS.Questions@dhsoha.state.or.us).

The Monthly Transmittal Reviews are held the second Wednesday of every month at 2 pm using the Zoom platform. Please register in advance for these meetings: <https://www.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJlsc-qvqD8iGURx5OQk8TAdIS6Arg9ZAf4>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing an appointment and information about joining the meeting. American Sign Language (ASL) and live captioning will be provided. To request other accommodations or languages, please send an email to [ODDS.Questions@dhsoha.state.or.us](mailto:ODDS.Questions@dhsoha.state.or.us) at least three business days prior to the meeting.

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