

Information Memorandum Transmittal Developmental Disabilities Services



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Topic: Developmental Disabilities

Due date:

Subject: Rate Increase for DD Adult Foster Care services July 2020

Applies to (check all that apply):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> All DHS 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 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"/> ODDS Children's Residential Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (<i>please specify</i>): |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child Welfare Programs | |

Message: DD Adult Foster Care services will receive a 7.15% rate increase effective for service dates starting July 1, 2020. This rate increase applies to the services outlined below.

The 7.15% rate increase for DD Adult Foster Care services per the SEIU/Adult Foster Care Collective Bargaining Agreement applies to:

- DD Adult Foster Care services (**SE158-ORAF-NA**)
- Attendant Care 2:1 staff support hours for Adult Foster Care (**SE257-OR526-ZE**) (from \$13.10/hour to \$14.09/hour)

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

- To/From work Mileage reimbursement (**SE257-OR004-WD**).
- Other Transportation services (**SE257-OR553-NA** or **SE53-TRFFS-ALL** CPAs)
- DD Children's Foster Care services (**SE258-ORCFC-NA**)

ODDS and the eXPRS IT team will facilitate the implementation of this rate increase to existing POC Service Prior Authorizations (SPAs) through a systemized process. This means that CDDP program staff will not have to manually adjust and apply the rate increase **to existing POC SPAs** already in eXPRS for the targeted services/provider

types impacted.

This systemized rate increase process is scheduled to be completed by end of business on Wed, June 20, 2020.

The not-to-exceed (NTE) rate table entries for DD Adult Foster Care services (SE158-OR AFC-NA) and 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 6/30/2020 to 7/1/2020 may receive a validation error, as the SPA date range crosses the rate update date-break. That validation error information is:

ERROR MESSAGE:	WHAT IT MEANS:	HOW TO FIX IT:
<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>	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.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">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.

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 current rate (as of June 2020) should end on 6/30/2020.
- SPAs with the updated rate (the June 30, 2020 rate + 7.15%) should begin on 7/1/2020 or later.

SPAs for DD Adult Foster Care services SE158-OR AFC-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.

If you have any questions about this information, contact:

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