

Information Memorandum Transmittal Developmental Disabilities Services



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Topic: Developmental Disabilities

Due date:

Subject: Personal Support Worker rate increase of \$0.77, effective July 1, 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 checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (<i>please specify</i>): DD Brokerages |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child Welfare Programs | |

Message: As a result of the 19-21 Collective Bargaining Agreement for Personal Support Workers, ODDS will be increasing rates for PSW services provided beginning July 1, 2020.

ODDS and the eXPRS Business Supports Unit will complete the PSW rate increase process **by end of business on Wed, June 20, 2020**. The rate increase process will be applied to existing POC Service Prior Authorizations (SPAs) that are in Draft, Pending and Accepted statuses. This means that CDDP & Brokerage program staff will not have to manually adjust and apply the rate increase to existing POC SPAs that are in eXPRS as of that date for the targeted services/provider types impacted.

PSW services to receive a \$0.77 per hour rate increase effective 7/1/2020 are:

- **OR526/NA** – Attendant Care
- **OR526/ZE** – Attendant Care, 2:1 staff support
- **OR401/W5** – Individual Job Coaching, initial
- **OR401/W6** – Individual Job Coaching, ongoing
- **OR401/W4** – Individual Job Coaching, maintenance
- **OR545/NA** – On the Job Attendant Care
- **OR545/ZE** -- On the Job Attendant Care, 2:1 staff support

PSW services to receive other rate increases effective 7/1/2020 are:

- **OR507/NA** – Daily Relief Care increases to \$212.00 per day
- **OR508/NA** – Hourly Relief Care/Awake Hours increases to \$13.25 per hour

Any new POC SPAs entered or updated by CME staff **after** the rate increase process is run will need to have their rates manually updated to align with the corresponding rate for the applicable authorization date range.

CMEs may want to also review their SPAs in Plan of Care for impacted services that have a start date of 7/1/2020 to ensure that the rate listed on the SPA accurately reflects the appropriate rate increase. For rate corrections needed on SPAs that are no longer in “draft” status, please submit a POC Rate Update request to Becky Walker, ODDS Contracts Unit FAC.

The Expenditure Guideline includes details regarding the specific PSW rates. Information about the expenditure guidelines and rate changes can also be found in [APD-IM-19-091](#).

If you have any questions about this information, contact:

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