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Topic: Developmental Disabilities

Transmitting (check the box that best applies):

- New policy
 Policy change
 Policy clarification
 Executive letter
 Administrative Rule
 Manual update
 Other: _____

Applies to (check all that apply):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> All DHS employees | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> County Mental Health Directors |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Area Agencies on Aging | <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 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>): County Services Coordinators, 24 Hour Residential Programs, Supported Living Programs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child Welfare Programs | |

Policy/rule title:	21 day bed hold allowance		
Effective date:	September 1, 2017	Expiration:	Ongoing
References:	Department of Human Services 2017- 2019 Legislatively Adopted Budget Summary AR-16-011 Expectations of providers of Service Elements 50, 51 and 142 to report absences 24 Hour Residential DD50 Standards and Procedures Supported Living Services DD51 Standards and Procedures Children’s Residential DD142 Standards and Procedures		

Discussion/interpretation:

In the 2017 Legislative Session agency approved budget Office of Developmental Disabilities Services (ODDS) was directed to reduce the number of days ODDS pays general funds for absences from 24 hour residential and supported living programs.

ODDS has paid these programs for up to 45 days of bed hold per year for individuals

who are absent from the setting. Effective September 1, 2017 the maximum number of absences that will be paid by ODDS is being reduced from 45 days to 21 days per year.

Implementation/transition instructions:

Providers should continue to report the absences of individuals enrolled in their programs as described in [AR-16-011 Expectations of providers of Service Elements 50, 51 and 142 to report absences](#). ODDS will pay for a maximum of 21 days of absences reported per year.

ODDS is updating the Standard and Procedures to incorporate these changes for the following Service Elements:

- 24 Hour Residential DD50
- Supported Living Services DD51
- Children’s Residential DD142

ODDS has incorporated these changes into CDDP and Brokerage contract amendments

ODDS is aware that there are some individuals who have been absent from their program between July 1, 2017 and the release of this transmittal. For these individuals ODDS will allow for an exception to this policy to pay absences reported by the provider of 21 days plus the number of absences reported between July 1 and September 1, 2017.

ODDS will maintain a list of individuals with an approved exception and approve payment for absences up to 21 days plus the number of absences reported between July 1 and September 1, 2017. ODDS acknowledges that some provider agencies may be impacted by this reduction more than others.

To ensure that ODDS has accurate data on the individuals who will receive this exception all 24 hour residential and supported living programs must report any absences that occurred prior to September 1, 2017 by September 30, 2017 using the procedures described in [AR-16-011 Expectations of providers of Service Elements 50, 51 and 142 to report absences](#).

Field/stakeholder review: Yes No

If yes, reviewed by: CDDP Program Managers, ORA, CPAO

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