Medicaid Provider Rates

Aging and People with Disabilities
Fall 2025





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APD Rate Methodology

Background

- Individuals are assessed as:
 - Independent
 - Minimum Assist
 - Assist
 - Substantial Assist or
 - Full Assist
- Assist levels are determined by the frequency and intensity of the need for another person to help with the component
- The assessment also documents treatments such as sliding scale insulin and wound treatment

- APD assesses individuals' level of independence or need in activities of daily living and instrumental activities of daily living
- Most ADLs are comprised of components
 - There are 6 ADLs with a combined 14 components
 - E.g., Mobility includes two components
 - There are 8 IADLs such as housekeeping IADLs that do not drive eligibility

Payments to Adult Foster Homes

- A base rate is paid for all individuals.
- Additional add-on payments are made for individuals when the individual
 - Is a full assist in mobility or eating or elimination;
 - Has behavior that pose a risk to the individual or to others and the provider must consistently intervene to supervise;
 - Has medical treatments that require daily observation and monitoring with oversight by a licensed healthcare professional.
- No matter the number of ADLs assessed as FA or the # of treatments, providers may only receive one add-on.



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Acuity Based Proposal

Goals of the new model

- Base payments on the acuity of the individuals
- Recognize that cognition and behaviors drive a lot of the care needs
- Standardized rate models across provider types
 - Align with, but not mirror, ODDS rate methodology
- Reduce the need for exceptions
- Simplify the rates so providers and consumers understand what to expect

Basic concepts

- Each component of an ADL and IADL receives points
- Points are based on the assessed level of need
- All ADLs and IADL Components are scored based on the assessed level of need
 - 1 pt for Independent
 - 2 pts for Minimal Assist
 - 3 pts for Assist
 - 5 pts for Substantial Assist
 - 6 pts for Full Assist
- Individuals also receive points for the cognition group receiving either
 - 10 additional pts Individuals with FA in any cognition component; or
 - 20 additional pts Individuals with SA/FA in challenging behaviors
- Each assessed treatment receives between 1 to 3 pts based on frequency

Assessment to Points

SPL	Ambulation	Pts	Transfers	Pts	Eating	Pts	Bladder	Pts	Bowel	Pts	Toileting	Pts
1	Full assist	6	Full assist	6	Full assist	6	Independent	1	Assist	3	Full assist	6
3	Full assist	6	Full assist	6	Assist	3	Independent	1	Independent	1	Full assist	6
3	Independent	1	Assist	3								
7	Assist	3	Assist	3	Independent	1	Independent	1	Independent	1	Assist	3
7	Independent	1	Assist	3	Independent	1	Independent	1	Independent	1	Assist	3
10	Independent	1	Assist	3	Independent	1	Independent	1	Independent	1	Independent	1
10	Assist	3	Independent	1								
13	Independent	1	Assist	3								
13	Independent	1	Independent	1	Independent	1	Independent	1	Assist	3	Independent	1

Assessment to Points - Cognition

SPL	Self Preservation	Pts	Decision Making	Pts	Make Self Understood	Pts	Challenging Behaviors	Pts	Additional Pts
1	Full assist	6	Full assist	6	Full assist	6	Sub assist	5	20
1	Sub assist	5	Sub assist	5	Sub assist	5	Min assist	2	6
3	Sub assist	5	Sub assist	5	Min assist	2	Independent	1	6
3	Full assist	6	Full assist	6	Sub assist	5	Independent	1	10

Transferring Scores to Rates

Assessed Levels	Score Ranges	Level
Low	0 – 40	Tier 1
Moderate	41 – 55	Tier 2
Medium High	56 – 82	Tier 3
High	83 – 106	Tier 4
Very High	107+	Tier 5

Consumer Scores to Tiers - Examples

SPL	Score	Tier
1	71	3
1	132	5
2	105	4
2	38	1
3	140	5
3	33	1
4	77	3
4	93	4
5	87	4
5	72	3
6	42	2
6	78	3
7	50	2

SPL	Score	Tier
7	70	3
7	85	4
8	77	3
10	47	2
10	3	1
11	64	3
11	53	2
11	33	1
12	52	2
12	60	3
13	39	1
13	46	2
13	78	3

AFHs Collectively Bargained Rates

	January 1, 2026	January 1, 2027	Staffing hours
Tier 1	\$2,332	\$2,477	0
Tier 2	\$3,327	\$4,052	2
Tier 3	\$3,386	\$4,704	4
Tier 4	\$5,916	\$7,205	8
Tier 5	\$7,773	\$9,467	10

- Each tier includes funding for the owner/operator
- Tiers 2-5 include expectations for minimum additional caregiver hours
 - Providers will not receive exceptions if they do not have documentation

AFHs: Percentage of Consumers in Old and New Rate Tiers



Exceptions to the new methodology

- Collectively Bargained Specific Needs Contracts
- Other specific needs contracts as determined by the Department
- Exceptions for service needs not addressed in the new tiers