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Public notice

Notice of intent – OHA will amend the Medicaid State Plan to increase reimbursement for services delivered through the Office of Developmental Disabilities Services (ODDS)

Date: March 1, 2022

Contact: Jesse Anderson, State Plan manager

Comments due: 5 p.m. Friday, March 11, 2022

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) will submit a State Plan Amendment (SPA) to the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services that provides a 5% increase to reimbursement for ODDS services, effective January 1, 2021. The increase applies to ODDS services and settings such as:

- Adult Group Homes,
- Supported Living,
- In-home Attendant Care,
- Behavioral Support Services,
- Group Care Homes for Children,
- Children’s Developmental Disability Foster Care, and
- Day Support Activities.

The increase will be effective through June 30, 2022, or until the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE) ends, whichever is first. The Federal Fund portion of this increase will be \$40,858,551.

Background:

The Oregon Legislature approved a 5% rate increase for six months beginning January 1, 2021, for some 1915(k) and 1915(c) services operated by ODDS. Through American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds ODDS is extending this increase to support front line, direct support professionals who have worked to care for people with intellectual/developmental disabilities throughout the pandemic.

The flexibilities provided during federally declared PHEs by [1135\(b\) waivers to Titles XVIII, XIX and XXI of the Social Security Act](#), and [Appendix K for 1915\(c\) waivers](#), do not address provider reimbursement increases. OHA intends to temporarily amend the Medicaid State Plan to apply this increase for the remainder of the PHE.

How to comment:

OHA welcomes public review and input. Please send written comments by 5 p.m. Friday, March 11, 2022, to jesse.anderson@dhsosha.state.or.us.