

## STATE OF ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH

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## **M E M O R A N D U M** 23-DD-02

**TO:** DDD Stakeholders

**FROM**: Kathy Sawyer, DDD Associate Commissioner

RE: ADMH-DDD Update

**DATE:** September 15, 2023

The following is provided as an update on recent activity.

- ID and LAH Waiver Amendments: DDD submitted to Medicaid Agency on Monday, September 11<sup>th</sup>. Medicaid plans to submit to CMS on Friday, September 15<sup>th</sup>. The amendments include waiver rate increases as previously shared with you. (See Attached)
- Waiver Rate Increases: Instructions for completing wage reports and calculating special level staffing were sent out to you. Any questions or need for assistance should be addressed to your Regional Fiscal manager.
- Regional Provider Meetings: Each Regional Office will be holding their Providers Meeting next week. Fiscal Managers will also participate to address the wage reports and special level staffing instructions. The following is the schedule for these meetings.

QUARTERLY REGIONAL PROVIDER MEETING SCHEDULE							
REGION	DATE	TIME					
I	9/21/2023	10:00AM					
II	9/21/2023	10:00AM					
III	9/21/2023	10:00AM					
IV	9/21/2023	10:00AM					
V	9/22/2023	10:00AM					





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- **HCBS Re-Certification Visits**: HCBS Re-Certification visits have been conducted for all HCBS settings deemed non-compliant with the mandatory requirements as of March 17<sup>th</sup>. To date seven (7) settings have been deemed non-compliant and seven (7) are pending final compliance determination.
- HCBS Ongoing Compliance Monitoring: Regional Offices have completed monitoring of 291 of the 726 (41%) settings subject to our Corrective Action Plan (CAP) approved by CMS. This is slightly more than September 30<sup>th</sup> CAP goal of 25%. Providers are reminded that you must now be compliant with all HCBS requirements. If you are required to complete and implement a Corrective Action Plan (CAP) you should do so immediately. DDD and Medicaid will report these compliance findings to CMS by end of December. Compliance findings will also be published on the Medicaid and CMS websites. Those settings deemed non-complaint will be subject to termination as HCBS approved settings; all federal funding will end, and individuals will be moved to other settings if they so choose. If you have any questions, please contact your Regional Community Services Director.
- **CWP Update**: To date, the CWP reports 376 enrollees with 50 in process, which is slightly below our goal of 500 by end of September. Plans to transition support coordination services in the eleven (11) CWP counties have been approved. A meeting will be held with the respective support coordination agencies in the eleven counties on September 29th.
- **Support Coordination**: Support Coordination Agencies held their monthly meeting on September 12<sup>th</sup>. Among important issues they addressed were the intake pilot results and the finance and budget training for providers.
- **Self-Directed Services**: We have started meeting with our Self-Directed Services EORs and FMSAs, which allows us to give special attention to their needs that are somewhat different from other service providers. Their next meeting is scheduled for September 26<sup>th</sup>.
- **Remote Supports**: We are currently reviewing all unpaid remote support service billings with goal of having all unpaid claims paid by end of year. If you are among this group of providers, you may contact your Regional Fiscal Manager for more information. Thanks to assistance of the Medicaid Agency and Gainwell, we have been able to pinpoint the problems with these billings.

We will not be having another DDD Stakeholders meeting before the end of the fiscal year (September 30<sup>th</sup>). Our next meeting will be October 24, 2023, and quarterly thereafter. However, each Regional Office will continue to hold monthly Provider meetings to keep you current on important matters. I want to take this opportunity to thank all of you, DDD staff, Medicaid and other partners for your hard work and cooperation during my first year as your Associate Commissioner. We have accomplished so much but there is much more work to do.

A sincere thank you from all of us here at DDD!!



### **ID WAIVER**

Service Code	Service Name	Pre-Covid Rates Rates Ending 4/30/2021*	Temporary 30% Rates 2/1/23-present	HMA Recommended Rates	Appendix K Rates Effective 5/1/21-11/3021	FY24 ADMH Proposed Rates 30% + HMA
T2016:UC	Residential	Per IRBI - \$234.63 average	Pre-Covid Rate+30% - \$305.02 average	HMA Methodology - \$332.47 average	Pre-Covid Rate+30% - \$305.02 average	HMA Methodology - \$332.47 average
T2021:UC:HI	Community Day Hab 1 (1:4)	\$4.16	\$5.41	\$4.16	\$5.41	\$5.41
T2021:UC:HI:SE	Community Day Hab 1 w/trans	\$4.80	\$6.24	\$4.52	\$6.24	\$6.24
T2021:UC:HE	Community Day Hab 2 (1:3)	\$4.76	\$6.19	\$5.36	\$6.19	\$6.19
T2021:UC:HE:SE	Community Day Hab 2/trans	\$5.40	\$7.02	\$5.72	\$7.02	\$7.02
T2021:UC:HW:HI	Community Day Hab 3 (1:2)	\$5.94	\$7.72	\$7.68	\$7.72	\$7.72
T2021:UC:HW:HI:SE	Community Day Hab 3 w/trans	\$6.58	\$8.55	\$8.04	\$8.55	\$8.55
T2021:UC:HW:HE	Community Day Hab 4	\$9.06	\$11.78	\$10.78	\$11.78	\$11.78
T2021:UC:HW:HE:SE	Community Day Hab 4 w/trans	\$9.70	\$12.61	\$11.50	\$12.61	\$12.61
T2021:UC:HW	Day Habilitation Level 1	\$1.94	\$2.52	\$2.03	\$2.52	\$2.52
T2021:UC:HW:SE	Day Habilitation Level 1 w/Transportation	\$2.26	\$2.94	\$2.40	\$2.94	\$2.94
T2021:UC:TF	Day Habilitation Level 2	\$2.74	\$3.56	\$2.62	\$3.56	\$3.56
T2021:UC:TF:SE	Day Habilitation Level 2 w/Transportation	\$3.05	\$3.97	\$2.98	\$3.97	\$3.97
T2021:UC:TG	Day Habilitation Level 3	\$3.53	\$4.59	\$3.80	\$4.59	\$4.59
T2021:UC:TG:SE	Day Habilitation Level 3 w/Transportation	\$3.84	\$4.99	\$4.16	\$4.99	\$4.99
T2021:UC:HK	Day Habilitation Level 4	\$4.53	\$5.89	\$9.33	\$5.89	\$5.89
T2021:UC:HK:SE	Day Habilitation Level 4 w/Transportation	\$4.85	\$6.31	\$10.05	\$6.31	\$6.31
H2021:UC	Community Experience 1:1	\$9.70	\$12.61	\$12.79	\$12.61	\$12.61
H2021:UC:SE	Community Experience 1:3	\$6.10	\$7.93	\$6.40	\$7.93	\$7.93
S5135:UC	Adult Companion Services	\$3.12	\$4.06	\$8.11	\$4.06	\$4.06
S5135:UC:HW	Self-Directed Adult Companion Services	\$2.75	\$3.58	\$5.68	\$3.58	\$3.58
T1019:UC	Personal Care	\$5.50	\$7.15	\$6.38	\$7.15	\$7.15
T1019:UC:HN	Self-Directed Personal Care	\$4.90	\$6.37	\$6.22	\$6.37	\$6.37
S5150:UC	Respite In Home	\$5.50	\$7.15	\$8.63	\$7.15	\$7.15
S5150:UC:HW	Self-Directed Respite - In Home	\$3.12	\$4.06	\$6.18	\$4.06	\$4.06
T1005:UC	Respite Out of Home	\$5.50	\$7.15	\$8.63	\$7.15	\$7.15
T1005:UC:HW	Self-Directed Respite - Out of Home	\$3.12	\$4.06	\$6.18	\$4.06	\$4.06
T2019:UC:HW	Assessment/Discovery	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$15.94	\$13.00	\$13.00
T2019:UC:HN	Individual Job Coach	\$7.50	\$9.75	\$12.86	\$9.75	\$9.75
T2019:UC:HO	Individual Job Developer	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$18.81	\$13.00	\$13.00
T2015:UC:HW	Prevocational Community Based (1:1 - 1:3)	\$24.40	\$31.72	\$20.58	\$31.72	\$31.72
T2019:UC:HI	Employment Small Group 1:2-3	\$7.90	\$10.27	\$7.92	\$10.27	\$10.27
T2019:UC:HE	Employment Small Group 1:4	\$4.52	\$5.88	\$4.00	\$5.88	\$5.88
T1019:UC:HW	Personal Care on Worksite	\$6.00	\$7.80	\$9.81	\$7.80	\$7.80
T2015:UC	Prevocational Facility Based Up to 1:15	\$12.20	\$15.86	\$7.18	\$15.86	\$15.86
S9123:UC	RN Nursing	\$36.40	\$41.86**	\$84.16	\$47.32	\$47.32
S9123:UC:HW	RN Nursing Self Directed	\$36.40	\$41.86**	\$70.16	\$47.32	\$47.32
S9124:UC	LPN Nursing	\$20.80	\$23.92**	\$63.74	\$27.04	\$27.04
S9124:UC:HW	LPN Nursing Self Directed	\$20.80	\$23.92**	\$52.49	\$27.04	\$27.04
92507:UC	Speech and Language Therapy	\$60.06	N/A	N/A	\$60.06	\$78.08
92507:UC:XE	Speech Therapy - Separate Encounter	\$60.06	N/A	N/A	\$60.06	\$78.08
97110:UC	Physical Therapy	\$14.30	N/A	\$25.79	\$14.30	\$18.59
97535:UC	Occupational Therapy	\$14.30	N/A	\$25.79	\$14.30	\$18.59

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### LAH WAIVER

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T2021:UD:HI	Community Day Hab 1 (1:4)	\$4.16	\$5.41	\$4.16	\$5.41	\$5.41
T2021:UD:HI:SE	Community Day Hab 1 w/trans	\$4.80	\$6.24	\$4.52	\$6.24	\$6.24
T2021:UD:HE	Community Day Hab 2 (1:3)	\$4.76	\$6.19	\$5.36	\$6.19	\$6.19
T2021:UD:HE:SE	Community Day Hab 2/trans	\$5.40	\$7.02	\$5.72	\$7.02	\$7.02
T2021:UD:HW:HI	Community Day Hab 3 (1:2)	\$5.94	\$7.72	\$7.68	\$7.72	\$7.72
T2021:UD:HW:HI:SE	Community Day Hab 3 w/trans	\$6.58	\$8.55	\$8.04	\$8.55	\$8.55
T2021:UD:HW:HE	Community Day Hab 4	\$9.06	\$11.78	\$10.78	\$11.78	\$11.78
T2021:UD:HW:HE:SE	Community Day Hab 4 w/trans	\$9.70	\$12.61	\$11.50	\$12.61	\$12.61
T2021:UD:HW	Day Habilitation Level 1	\$1.94	\$2.52	\$2.03	\$2.52	\$2.52
T2021:UD:HW:SE	Day Habilitation Level 1 w/Transportation	\$2.26	\$2.94	\$2.40	\$2.94	\$2.94
T2021:UD:TF	Day Habilitation Level 2	\$2.74	\$3.56	\$2.62	\$3.56	\$3.56
T2021:UD:TF:SE	Day Habilitation Level 2 w/Transportation	\$3.05	\$3.97	\$2.98	\$3.97	\$3.97
T2021:UD:TG	Day Habilitation Level 3	\$3.53	\$4.59	\$3.80	\$4.59	\$4.59
T2021:UD:TG:SE	Day Habilitation Level 3 w/Transportation	\$3.84	\$4.99	\$4.16	\$4.99	\$4.99
T2021:UD:HK	Day Habilitation Level 4	\$4.53	\$5.89	\$9.33	\$5.89	\$5.89
T2021:UD:HK:SE	Day Habilitation Level 4 w/Transportation	\$4.85	\$6.31	\$10.05	\$6.31	\$6.31
H2021:UD	Community Experience 1:1	\$9.70	\$12.61	\$12.79	\$12.61	\$12.61
H2021:UD:SE	Community Experience 1:3	\$6.10	\$7.93	\$6.40	\$7.93	\$7.93

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S5135:UD	Adult Companion Services	\$3.12	\$4.06	\$8.11	\$4.06	\$4.06
S5135:UD:HW	Self-Directed Adult Companion Services	\$2.75	\$3.58	\$5.68	\$3.58	\$3.58
T1019:UD	Personal Care	\$5.50	\$7.15	\$6.38	\$7.15	\$7.15
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S5150:UD	Respite In Home	\$5.50	\$7.15	\$8.63	\$7.15	\$7.15
S5150:UD:HW	Self-Directed Respite - In Home	\$3.12	\$4.06	\$6.18	\$4.06	\$4.06
T1005:UD	Respite Out of Home	\$5.50	\$7.15	\$8.63	\$7.15	\$7.15
T1005:UD:HW	Self-Directed Respite - Out of Home	\$3.12	\$4.06	\$6.18	\$4.06	\$4.06
T2019:UD:HW	Assessment/Discovery	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$15.94	\$13.00	\$13.00
T2019:UD:HN	Individual Job Coach	\$7.50	\$9.75	\$12.86	\$9.75	\$9.75
T2019:UD:HO	Individual Job Developer	\$10.00	\$13.00	\$18.81	\$13.00	\$13.00
T2015:UD:HW	Prevocational Community Based (1:1 - 1:3)	\$24.40	\$31.72	\$20.58	\$31.72	\$31.72
T2019:UD:HI	Employment Small Group 1:2-3	\$7.90	\$10.27	\$7.92	\$10.27	\$10.27
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S9123:UD	RN Nursing	\$36.40	\$41.86**	\$84.16	\$47.32	\$47.32
S9123:UD:HW	RN Nursing Self Directed	\$36.40	\$41.86**	\$70.16	\$47.32	\$47.32
S9124:UD	LPN Nursing	\$20.80	\$23.92**	\$63.74	\$27.04	\$27.04
S9124:UD:HW	LPN Nursing Self Directed	\$20.80	\$23.92**	\$52.49	\$27.04	\$27.04
92507:UD	Speech and Language Therapy (per encounter)	\$60.06	N/A	N/A	\$60.06	\$78.08
92507:UD:XE	Speech Therapy - Separate Encounter	\$60.06	N/A	N/A	\$60.06	\$78.08
97110:UD	Physical Therapy	\$14.30	N/A	\$25.79	\$14.30	\$18.59
97535:UD	Occupational Therapy	\$14.30	N/A	\$25.79	\$14.30	\$18.59

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**Support Coordination** 

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G9005:U3	Targeted Case Mgmnt - Child/Adolescent	\$5.28	\$6.86	\$272.51*	N/A	\$7.14
G9008:U2	Targeted Case Mgmnt - Adult	\$5.28	\$6.86	\$272.51*	N/A	\$7.14

<sup>\*</sup>Indicates Monthly Rate

### **CWP WAIVER**

Service Code	Service Name	Pre-Covid Rates Rates Ending 4/30/2021*	Temporary 30% Rates 2/1/23-present	HMA Recommended Rates	Appendix K Rates Effective 5/1/21-11/3021	FY24 ADMH Proposed Rates 30% + HMA
T2013	Peer Specialist	N/A	N/A	\$8.98	N/A	\$10.00
T2019	Supported Employment - Individual Job Coaching	N/A	N/A	\$11.52 avg rate	N/A	\$13.51 avg rate
T2019	Supported Employment - Small Group	N/A	N/A	\$3.98 - \$7.87	N/A	\$5.98 - \$11.15
T2015	Integrated Employment Path	N/A	N/A	\$7.93 - \$14.47	N/A	\$6.62 - \$12.07
T2021	Independent Living Skills Training	N/A	N/A	\$5.74 - \$10.35	N/A	\$7.48 - \$10.90
S5125	Personal Assistance - Home	N/A	N/A	\$5.13 - \$8.83	N/A	\$5.50 - \$9.30
H2021	Community Integration Connections and Skills Training	N/A	N/A	\$3.37 - \$11.51	N/A	\$5.86 - \$13.51
S5125	Personal Assistance - Community	N/A	N/A	\$3.67 - \$9.39	N/A	\$5.49 - \$12.79
S5150	Breaks and Opportunities (Planned)	N/A	N/A	\$169.10 - \$473.20 (day rate)	N/A	\$97.34 - \$247.97 (day rate)
S5150	Breaks and Opportunities (Planned) Self-Directed	N/A	N/A	\$376.82 (avg day rate)	N/A	\$202.52 (avg day rate)
T2016	Adult Family Home	N/A	N/A	\$144.48 - \$223.98 (day rate)	N/A	\$178.05 - \$256.40 (day rate)
H2019	Positive Behavioral Supports	N/A	N/A	\$15.55 (Non-Crisis) - \$34.18 (Crisis)	N/A	\$15.55 (Non-Crisis) - \$34.18 (Crisis)
T2032	Supported Living	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$100 - \$270 (day rate)
S9123:HW	Self-Directed Skilled Nursing - RN	N/A	N/A	\$46.64	N/A	\$56.88
S9124:HW	Self-Directed Skilled Nursing - LPN	N/A	N/A	\$32.44	N/A	\$41.13
G9008/G9005	Support Coordination	N/A	N/A	\$348.53 (monthly)	N/A	\$480.23 (monthly)
92507	Speech and Language Therapy (per 15 minte unit)	N/A	N/A	\$25.79	N/A	\$18.59
97110	Physical Therapy	N/A	N/A	\$25.79	N/A	\$18.59
97535	Occupational Therapy	N/A	N/A	\$25.79	N/A	\$18.59

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