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TO: SCDDSN Home and Community Based Services Waiver Providers,

Early Intervention Providers

SUBJECT: Retroactive Rate Increases for ID/RD, CS and HASCI Waiver Services, and Early

Intervention Services

The South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) is retroactively increasing reimbursement rates for the specific services included in this bulletin. This includes early intervention services and services provided through the Intellectual Disability/Related Disabilities (ID/RD), Community Supports (CS) and Head and Spinal Cord Injury (HASCI) waivers operated by the South Carolina Department of Disabilities and Special Needs (SCDDSN).

SCDDSN-operated Waiver Services Rate Increases

Effective July 1, 2022, reimbursement for the codes listed below will be increased as follows:

Service Description	Code	Modifier	Previous Rate per	New Rate per Unit
			Unit	
Residential 3 Person High Mgt.*	T2016	U8	\$427.93	\$442.78
Residential 4 Person Tier 4 Forensic*	T2016	U7	\$364.38	\$377.03
Residential 4 Person Tier 3*	T2016	U6	\$308.36	\$319.06
Residential 4 Person Tier 2*	T2016	U5	\$263.55	\$272.69
Residential 4 Person Tier 1*	T2016	U4	\$223.55	\$231.31
Residential SLP II*	T2016	U3	\$91.84	\$95.03
Residential CTH Tier 2*	T2016	U2	\$112.43	\$116.31
Residential CTH Tier 1*	T2016	U1	\$81.75	\$84.59
Adult Attendant Care	S5125	U1	\$4.05	\$4.21
Adult Companion Services	S5135		\$3.63	\$3.76
Behavior Support	H0023		\$30.00	\$31.14
Career Prep*	T2014		\$36.93	\$38.34
Community Services*	H2016		\$36.93	\$38.34
Day Activity*	T2020		\$36.93	\$38.34
Employment Services – Group*	H2026		\$36.93	\$38.34
Employment Services – Individual*	H2025		\$24.74	\$25.69
Independent Living Skills	H2014		\$8.46	\$8.79
Respite in Home	T1005		\$4.05	\$4.21
Respite in Home (Group of 2)	T1005	UB	\$2.53	\$2.63
Respite in Home (Group of 3)	T1005	UC	\$1.62	\$1.68

Service Description	Code	Modifier	Previous Rate per Unit	New Rate per Unit
Support Center Services*	S5151		\$31.29	\$32.49
WCM With Travel*	T1016 and T1017	U1	\$27.28	\$28.32
WCM Without Travel*	T1016 and T1017	U2	\$16.77	\$17.41
Residential Habilitation SLP – 1*	T2017		\$18.69	\$19.40
Attendant Care - Agency	S5125	U2	\$4.83	\$5.02
Attendant Care - Boards	S2125	U3	\$3.74	\$3.88
Attendant Care UAP	S5125	U1	\$4.05	\$4.21
Health Education CDC	T2025		\$20.00	\$20.77
Mental Health Services	H0046		\$32.26	\$33.49
Peer Guidance CDC	T2025		\$20.00	\$20.77
Psy/Rx/Alcohol Counseling	T1007		\$38.80	\$40.29
In Home Support	T2025		\$16.20	\$16.82

^{*}Billed through Therap

The new rates are already reflected on the <u>CLTC Fee Schedule</u>. Updated rates for services billed through Therap, DDSN's case management, authorization and billing system, will be reflected in Therap beginning Dec. 1, 2022. When the Therap system is updated, authorizations for services billed through Therap will show the new rates. All claims billed through Therap and submitted for dates of service prior to Dec. 1, 2022, should be submitted using the rates reflected on the authorization (the rates that were listed prior to this update). All claims paid for dates of service prior to Dec. 1, 2022, will receive retroactive rate adjustments for services incurred back to July 1, 2022, to account for the difference in the rates announced in this bulletin.

For services not billed through Therap, all claims paid for dates of service prior to implementation of the new rates will be identified and providers will receive adjustments to address the retroactive payment period.

Rate Increases for Early Intervention Services

Effective July 1, 2022, reimbursement will be increased for early intervention providers to reflect a cost-of-living increase for the codes listed below.

Service Description	Code	Modifier	Previous Rate per Unit	New Rate per Unit
Early Intervention: birth to age 3	T1016	TL	\$23.74	\$24.65
	T1018			
	T1027			
Early Intervention: ages 3 to 6	T1027		\$25.54	\$26.52
Early Intervention: School for the Deaf and the Blind: ages 3-6	T1027		\$27.95	\$29.01

Retroactive rate adjustment settlements for early intervention providers will be implemented for services incurred on and after July 1, 2022.

Providers should direct any questions related to the waiver services addressed in this bulletin to the Medicaid Waiver mailbox: MedicaidWaiver@scdhhs.gov. Early intervention related questions can be sent to the BabyNet mailbox at BabyNet@scdhhs.gov.

Thank you for your continued support of the South Carolina Healthy Connections Medicaid program.

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