

# CABINET FOR HEALTH AND FAMILY SERVICES DEPARTMENT FOR MEDICAID SERVICES

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## MWMA Case Managers:

The centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) recently approved a reimbursement rate increase for Kentucky's SCL program. The new rates will take effect on July 1, 2018. This rate increase is in response to a legislative direction.

This message is to share details regarding the increase in SCL reimbursement rates and what to expect in MWMA.

If you have any questions about any of the following information, please contact the Division of Community Alternatives at (502) 564-5560.

### TRADITIONAL SERVICES:

For traditional services already added to SCL plans, <u>you DO NOT need to modify services in MWMA to receive the increased rate when billing</u>. Claims submitted to MMIS will be reimbursed at the maximum rate based on the day of service delivery. For those services with Exceptional Rate, service will be reimbursed using the current approved Exceptional Rate Per unit. The approved exceptional rate will not be increased by 10 Percent. Provider will need to do a modification for the rate increase which will be reviewed and approved by BHDID for new Exceptional Rate Increase.

Starting July 7, 2018, new service rates will be available in MWMA. All services added to Plans in MWMA on or after this date will display with the increased rate, regardless of service delivery dates.

Depending on when services are added to the Plan and the dates the service is authorized, users may notice wrong rates showing for services in MWMA and the dollar amounts for these services may appear incorrect. The following are the services that would be impacted:

- 1. Services added to the Individual's Plan of Care before July 7, 2018, which are requested and/or authorized for dates on or after July 1, 2018.
- 2. Services added to the Individual's Plan of Care on or after July 7, 2018, which are requested and/or authorized for dates before July 1, 2018.
- 3. Exceptional Rate Services- If Modification is needed end the existing service and add a new service, like the process for modifying traditional services

Regardless of what is shown in MWMA for these services, service providers will still be reimbursed at the

maximum rate for that service delivery date. There is no need to modify traditional services except for the Exceptional Rate service which will be reimbursed using the current approved Exceptional Rate Per unit.

Refer to the table at the end of this communication for details on the maximum rate for each traditional service, based on service delivery dates.

#### PARTICIPANT DIRECTED SERVICES:

The upper limit for PDS services has also increased by 10%. To request the increased rate for any PDS services on SCL Plans, a modification must be submitted for review in MWMA.

New service rates will be available in MWMA on July 7, 2018. Please wait to submit modifications until this date.

Starting July 7, 2018, for services authorized for dates on or after July 1, 2018, the following steps should be taken to modify PDS services to increase the billable rate for PDS employees:

- 1. Update existing service by entering an Actual End Date for the service as 06/30/2018.
- 2. Add new version of the service to the Plan with Proposed Service Start Date as 07/01/2018. Enter all other required information and save the service to the Plan.

Once all modifications/additions to the Plan are completed, submit the Plan for review.

## SCL RATES FOR TRADITIONAL SERVICES, BY SERVICE DELIVERY DATE

The following table can be used to determine which rate will be applied to claims submitted for services, based on the day of service delivery.

Traditional Service	Rate for Service Delivery BEFORE 7/1/2018	Rate for Service Delivery ON OR AFTER 7/1/2018
Case Management	\$320.00	\$352.00
Community Access (Individual)	\$8.00	\$8.80
Community Access (Group)	\$4.00	\$4.40
Community Guide	\$8.00	\$8.80
Consultative Clinical & Therapeutic Services	\$22.50	\$24.75
Day Training	\$2.20	\$2.42
Day Training (Licensed Adult Day Health Center)	\$3.00	\$3.30
Person Centered Coach	\$5.75	\$6.33
Personal Assistance	\$5.54	\$6.09
Positive Behavior Supports	\$665.00	\$731.50
Residential Support Level I (4-8 residents)	\$130.35	\$143.39
Residential Support Level I (3 residents or less)	\$172.46	\$189.71
Residential Support Level II (12+ hours supervision)	\$141.65	\$155.86
Residential Support Level II (Less than 12 hours supervision)	\$79.00	\$86.90
Respite	\$2.77	\$3.05
Supported Employment	\$10.25	\$11.28
Technology Assisted Residential	\$79.00	\$86.90