

Final Fee Schedule Rates for New Services Funded Through ODP's Waivers

ODP Announcement 22-051

AUDIENCE:

All interested parties

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this communication is to announce that the following Fee Schedule Rates have been published as final in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*:

- Family Medical Support Assistance services funded through the Consolidated, Community Living and Person/Family Directed Support (P/FDS) Waivers.
- Remote Community Participation Support/Day Habilitation services funded through the Consolidated, Community Living, P/FDS, and Adult Autism Waivers.
- Medically Complex Life Sharing services and Transition to Independent Living payments funded through the Consolidated Waiver.

DISCUSSION:

The proposed Fee Schedule Rates for Family Medical Support Assistance services, Remote Community Participation Support services, Medically Complex Life Sharing services, and Transition to Independent Living payments were published at 51 Pa.B. 6564 (October 16, 2021). The Department received comments from 30 stakeholders regarding the proposed Fee Schedule Rates. A summary of the comments received, and the Department's responses is available at

<https://www.dhs.pa.gov/providers/Providers/Documents/ODP/Public%20Notices%20Related%20to%20Rates/Summary%20of%20Rate%20Comments%20for%20Services%20Impacted%20By%202022%20Amendments.pdf>. After reviewing the comments on the proposed rates, the Department determined that no changes were necessary to the Fee Schedule Rates.

The Fee Schedule Rates for the following services will be effective upon approval by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) of amendments to the Consolidated, Community Living and P/FDS Waivers that addresses these services:

- Family Medical Support Assistance services;
- Medically Complex Life Sharing services; and
- Transition to Independent Living payments.

The Waiver amendments were submitted to CMS on January 3, 2022, with a proposed effective date of May 1, 2022. The Office of Developmental Programs (ODP) will notify stakeholders of the approved effective date of the Waiver amendments and rates through publication of a communication via ODP's Listservs.

The Fee Schedule Rates for Remote Community Participation Support/Day Habilitation services will be added to the Fee Schedule and be effective six months after the expiration of the federal COVID-19 public health emergency. The federal COVID-19 public health emergency was [renewed effective April 16, 2022](#); the expiration date is unknown at this time.

These services should not be added and authorized on Individual Support Plans until ODP communications provide guidance that this can occur. A public notice regarding the final rates can be found in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin*, Volume 52, Number 18, published on Saturday, April 30, 2022, at:

<https://www.pacodeandbulletin.gov/Display/pabull?file=/secure/pabulletin/data/vol52/52-18/641.html>

The final Fee Schedule Rates represent the maximum rates the Department will pay for each service. The final Fee Schedule Rates are included in the table below and can also be found online at <https://www.dhs.pa.gov/providers/Providers/Pages/ODP-Rates.aspx>.

Service Name	Staffing Level	Procedure Code	Statewide Fee	Enhanced Communication Statewide Fee
Medically Complex Life Sharing Needs Group 4	1-person home	W0062	\$435.94 (day unit)	\$501.33 (day unit)
	2-person home	W0063	\$274.00 (day unit)	\$315.10 (day unit)
Family Medical Support Assistance	1:1	W0064	\$18.41 (15-minute unit)	\$21.17 (15-minute unit)
Remote Community Participation Support/Day Habilitation	1:1 to 1:5	W0065	\$4.94 (15-minute unit)	\$5.68 (15-minute unit)
	1:6 and above	W0066	\$1.91 (15-minute unit)	\$2.20 (15-minute unit)
Transition to Independent Living Payment	First Payment	W0400	\$15,000 (paid when outcome achieved)	N/A
	Second Payment	W0401	\$15,000 (paid when outcome achieved)	N/A

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