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Office of the Senior Deputy Director/Medicaid Director

Transmittal # 21-52 (rev)

TO: All DC Home Health Agency (HHA) Medicaid Providers

FROM: Melisa Byrd

Senior Deputy Director and State Medicaid Director

DATE: January 26, 2022

SUBJECT: Home Health Agency (HHA) Living Wage Rate Changes Effective January 1,

2022

Purpose

This transmittal supersedes Transmittal # 21-52: Home Health Agency (HHA) Living Wage Rate Changes Effective January 1, 2021, issued on December 30, 2021. This revision adds back the T1019-UT procedure code and modifier for PCA services which was excluded from the previous transmittal. The PCA services reimbursement rates are adjusted to reflect the annual rate changes to the Living Wage Act of 2006, effective June 8, 2006 (D.C. Law 16-118; D.C. Official Code § 2-220.01 et seq. (2012 Repl.). The changes to the rates will become effective January 1, 2022.

The table below provides a listing of both the billing codes and new rates for PCA services. The Medicaid Fee Schedule for the PCA services is located on the DHCF website at https://www.dc-medicaid.com/dcwebportal/nonsecure/feeScheduleDownload.

| Code | Service Description | Reimbursement Rate | | |
|-------------|--|--|--|--|
| T1019-NP | State Plan | \$ 22.56 Per Hour, \$5.64 per 15 minutes | | |
| T1019-UT | Personal Care Aide Services | \$ 22.56 Per Hour, \$5.64 per 15 minutes | | |
| T1019-52 | Personal Care Service Per 15 Min | \$ 22.56 Per Hour, \$5.64 per 15 minutes | | |
| T1019-U3 | EPD Waiver Services Per 15 Min | \$ 22.56 Per Hour, \$5.64 per 15 minutes | | |
| T1019-NP-U3 | EPD Waiver Services Per 15 Min | \$ 22.56 Per Hour, \$5.64 per 15 minutes | | |
| T1019-UT-U3 | ASSESSED AND SERVICES BEING TERMINATED | \$ 22.56 Per Hour, \$5.64 per 15 minutes | | |
| T1019-52-U3 | ASSESSED AND SERVICES BEING REDUCED | \$ 22.56 Per Hour, \$5.64 per 15 minutes | | |

Enhanced Billing & Reimbursement Reflects Living Wage Changes

The temporary enhanced reimbursement rates, procedure codes, and modifiers are outlined in the separate tables below for HHA services. To receive the enhanced reimbursement rates, HHAs providers must submit claims with the correct procedure codes and modifier combinations.

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| Service Description | Procedure Code | Overtime Modifier | Overtime Rate | Quarantined Modifier | Quarantined Rate | Quarantined Overtime Modifier | Quarantined Overtime Rate |
|---|-------------------|----------------------|---|-------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|---|
| PCA - State Plan Services per 15 Min | T1019 | CR | \$33.84 per hour, \$8.46 per 15 minutes | CR-U1 | \$33.84 per hour, \$8.46 per 15 minutes | CR-U2 | \$50.76 per hour, \$12.69 per 15 minutes |
| PCA - EPD Waiver Services per 15 Min | T1019 | CR-U3 | \$33.84 per hour, \$8.46 per 15 minutes | CR-U1 | \$33.84 per hour, \$8.46 per 15 minutes | CR-U2 | \$50.76 per hour, \$12.69 per 15 minutes |

Contact

DHCF will continue to provide updates to this information as appropriate. If you have questions, please contact Andrea Clark, Reimbursement Analyst, Office of Rates & Reimbursements, at Andrea. Clark@dc.gov or 202-724-4096.

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