

**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**  
**Department of Health Care Finance**



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**Transmittal # 22-05 (rev.)**

**TO:** All DC EPD Waiver Chore / Homemaker Service Providers

**FROM:** Melisa Byrd  
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**DATE:** March 30, 2022

**SUBJECT: Updates to Chore and Homemaker Fee Schedule**

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**Purpose:**

This transmittal supersedes Transmittal # 22-05: Updates to Chore and Homemaker Fee Schedule, issued on February 7, 2022. This revision updates the effective date to be May 1, 2022.

This transmittal provides updates on the EPD Waiver Chore and Homemaker services fee schedule rates and units in accordance with requirements set forth in Section 4209.7 of Chapter 42 (Home and Community-Based Services Waiver for Persons Who Are Elderly and Individuals with Physical Disabilities) and Section 988 of Chapter 9 (Medicaid Program) of Title 29 (Public Welfare) of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations. The updates correct an identified discrepancy between the EPD Waiver fee schedule and national standards for the procedure codes. The rate reflected in the Medicaid fee schedule is an hourly rate (\$21), but the code requires billing in fifteen-minute increments. By way of this update, the hourly rates for each service do not change, but the units in which they must be billed have been clarified. Accordingly, changes to EPD Waiver regulations are forthcoming. The fee schedule corrections are effective for dates of service May 1, 2022, or later.

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

**EPD WAIVER SERVICES AND RATES**

Service Description	Procedure Code	Modifier	Rate (effective May 1, 2022)
Chore aide	S5120	U3	\$5.25 per unit (15 minutes)
Homemaker Services	S5130	U3	\$5.25 per unit (15 minutes)

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