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**TO:** All DC Medicaid Home Health Agencies

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**SUBJECT: Updates to ADHP rates and Temporary Enhanced Reimbursement Rates for** 

**ADHP Services Due to COVID-19** 

## **Purpose**

This transmittal provides updates on the State Plan and the Elderly and Persons with Disabilities (EPD) Waiver Adult Day Health Program (ADHP) services per diem rates and modifiers and replaces earlier guidance on temporary reimbursement rates for ADHP services established during the COVID-19 public health emergency (PHE) as provided in DHCF Transmittal #21-02. Updates are made in accordance with requirements set forth under Title 29 (Public Welfare) § 9723 (ADHP Reimbursement Policy) and § 4209 (EPD Waiver Reimbursement) of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations The updates to the State Plan and EDP Waiver ADHP rates are due to a skilled nursing market basket index inflation factor increase and will be effective for dates of service on January 1, 2023, or later.

The table below provides a listing of both the billing codes and new rates for ADHP services. The Medicaid Fee Schedule for those services is located on the DHCF website at <a href="https://www.dcmedicaid.com/dcwebportal/nonsecure/feeScheduleDownload">https://www.dcmedicaid.com/dcwebportal/nonsecure/feeScheduleDownload</a>.

### ADHP STATE PLAN RATES

Service Description	Procedure Code	Modifier	Rate Effective January 1, 2023	
ADHP	S5100	U1	\$ 112.83, Daily Max	
ADHP	S5100	U2	\$ 143.78, Daily Max	

### ADHP EPD WAIVER RATE

Service Description	Procedure Code	Modifier	Rate Effective January 4, 2021	
ADHP	S5100	U3	\$143.78, Daily Max	

# **Temporary COVID-19 PHE Billing & Reimbursement**

The temporary ADHP reimbursement rates payable during the COVID-19 public health emergency, associated procedure codes and modifiers are outlined in the separate table below. To receive the temporary PHE reimbursement rates, ADHP providers must submit claims with the correct procedure codes and modifier combinations or, for retainer payments, submit invoiced lists of requested retainer payments consistent with DHCF's prior guidance.

Service Description	Procedure Codes and Modifiers	Remote Services Modifiers	Remote Services Rate	Retainer Rate Modifier	Retainer Rate
ADHP - State Plan Service	S5100-U1	CR	\$84.62 daily per diem	N/A	\$28.21 daily per diem
ADHP - State Plan Service	S5100-U2	CR	\$107.83 daily per diem	N/A	\$35.95 daily per diem
ADHP - EPD Waiver Service	S5100-U3	CR	\$107.83 daily per diem	N/A	\$35.95 daily per diem

The remote services rate listed in the above table should be used to bill for any date of service on which the ADHP conducts a telephonic or remote wellness visit, at minimum. The retainer rate in the above table should be used by ADHPs that are unable to provide services in person due to the public health emergency and for dates of service on which services cannot be delivered virtually, not to exceed 18 consecutive weekdays or ninety days of service in total for each beneficiary for whom retainer payments are claimed. Retainer payments will continue to be facilitated through a financial transaction process. Under this process, the ADHPs are required to submit documentation and attestation that enables DHCF to verify and justify the retainer payment. The retainer payment is paid monthly after all claims for the month have been submitted.

In the event an ADHP renders a remote wellness check in addition to another remote ADHP service, to include remote nursing or counseling services, remote individual or group therapy services, or meal delivery, the ADHP should bill without the CR modifier and indicate the Place of Service code 02 (telehealth) to bill at the full per diem rate.

For more detail information about the above rates, please consult the updated COVID-19 Public Health Emergency (PHE): Home and Community-Based Services Billing and Documentation Guidelines for Services Delivered Under Temporary Policy and Procedural Arrangements. The most current version of the guideline can be found on https://dhcf.dc.gov/publication/informational-bulletins-ltc-providers webpage.

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