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



Office of the Senior Deputy Director and Medicaid Director

Transmittal # 23-06

**TO:** All DC Assisted Living Facility (ALF) Medicaid Providers

**FROM:** Melisa Byrd

Senior Deputy Director and Medicaid Director

**DATE:** December 29, 2022

**SUBJECT:** Temporary Enhanced Reimbursement Rates for Assisted Living Facilities

**Due to COVID-19** 

## **Purpose**

The purpose of this transmittal is to notify Assisted Living Facility (ALF) providers in the District's Medicaid program of changes to current enhanced reimbursement rates for ALF due to COVID-19 (Transmittal # 22-22), to reflect the increase in the Living Wage. The ALF 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 on January 1, 2023. Similarly, the suspended regular ALF rates will also be adjusted to reflect the new Living Wage rate.

## **Enhanced Billing and Reimbursement**

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

| Service<br>Description      | Procedure<br>Codes | Billable<br>Unit | Reimbursement<br>Rates | Limit (Duration)      | Effective Date     |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| Assisted Living<br>Services | T2031-U3           | Flat Rate        | \$212.13               | Max Unit 1<br>Per Day | January 1,<br>2023 |

ALF providers must submit adjustments with an increased billed amount to ensure payment of the enhanced rate. Submitting adjustments will allow DHCF to pay the additional amount due to the providers.

## Contact

If you have questions, please contact Samuel Woldeghiorgis, Associate Director for Reimbursement, Office of Rates, Reimbursement and Financial Analysis, Department of Health Care Finance (DHCF) at Samuel.woldeghiorgis@dc.gov or (202) 442-9240.

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