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



Office of the Senior Deputy Director and Medicaid Director

Transmittal #23-26

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

**FROM:** Melisa Byrd

Senior Deputy Director and Medicaid Director

**DATE:** June 28, 2023

**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 (<u>Transmittal # 23-06</u>), 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 July 1, 2023.** Similarly, the suspended regular ALF rates will also be adjusted to reflect the new Living Wage rate.

The table below provides the billing code and new regular rate for the ALF services. The Medicaid Fee Schedule for the ALF services are 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 Description         | Procedure | Billable  | Reimbursement | Limit                 | Effective |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|---------------|-----------------------|-----------|
|                             | Codes     | Unit      | Rates         | (Duration)            | Date      |
| Assisted Living<br>Services | T2031-U3  | Flat Rate | \$190.05      | Max Unit 1<br>Per Day | 1-Jul-23  |

## **Enhanced Billing & Reimbursement Reflects Living Wage Changes**

The temporary enhanced reimbursement rate, procedure code, and modifier is outlined in the separate table below. This rate is effective through November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023, when the enhanced rates due to the Public Health Emergency end.

| Service<br>Description      | Procedure<br>Codes | Billable<br>Unit | Reimbursement<br>Rates | Limit (Duration)      | Effective Date |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| Assisted Living<br>Services | T2031-U3           | Flat Rate        | \$218.56               | Max Unit<br>1 Per Day | July 1, 2023   |

## Contact

DHCF will continue to provide updates to this information as appropriate. If you have questions, please contact Samuel Woldeghiorgis, Associate Director, Office of the Deputy Director, Office of Rates Reimbursement and Financial Analysis, Department of Health Care Finance, at 441 4th Street, Suite 900S, Washington, DC 20001, or email <a href="mailto:samuel.woldeghiorgis@dc.gov">samuel.woldeghiorgis@dc.gov</a> or via telephone at (202) 442-9240.

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