

ODP Updates



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Upcoming Waiver Amendments

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➤ Rates and the Amendments

A proposed rate notice will be developed and released for public comment with the following:

- Needs Group 5 for people in Residential Habilitation who have medical and/or behavioral needs that exceed those reflected in Needs Group 4.
- Group Music, Art and Equine Assisted Therapy for no more than 4 individuals.
- Life Sharing (Without Day Services)
 - This does not require changes to the waivers. Guidance will be included in the ISP Manual
- Continuation of enhanced CPS and Transportation Trip rates

➤ Waiver Caps and Enhanced Rates

- Individual cap exceptions allowed for participants enrolled in the P/FDS prior to July 1, 2023 to ensure that participants are not subject to service loss due to rate changes in Community Participation Support and/or Transportation Trip service (effective in November 2023) will continue for these participants through January 2025, as long as they remain enrolled in the same waiver and the service plan does not exceed the approved exception level.



Supplemental Payments

The following supplemental payments that were included in Appendix K will be added to the waivers:

- Recovery and service expansion for CPS, Supported Employment, Benefits Counseling, Small Group Employment, and Supports Coordination services (ODP Communication 23-001)
- One-time supplemental payment for technology related activities that strengthen and enhance HCBS (ODP Communication 22-043)
- Payments to address staff training, credentialing, and business associates programs for employment (ODP Communication 22-031)

➤ Specialty Health Assessment and Coordination

ID/A Specialty Health Assessment and Coordination are telemedicine services available 24/7 that are designed to coordinate participants' care with:

- local emergency departments
- urgent cares
- primary care physicians

to enable:

- Real-time support
- Consultation
- Coordination on health issues
- To assist participants, families and providers to understand presenting health symptoms and to identify the most appropriate next steps.

Purpose: Promote health, wellness, and safety