

## Notice of MaineCare Reimbursement Methodology Change

**AGENCY:** Department of Health and Human Services, Office of MaineCare Services

### **SERVICES INCLUDED:**

Chapter 101, MaineCare Benefits Manual, Section 19, Chapter III, Home and Community Benefits for the Elderly and Adults with Disabilities;

Chapter 101, MaineCare Benefits Manual, Section 21, Chapter III, Allowances for Home and Community Benefits for Members with Intellectual Disabilities or Autism Spectrum Disorder; and

Chapter 101, MaineCare Benefits Manual, Section 29, Chapter III, Allowances for Support Services for Adults with Intellectual Disabilities or Autistic Disorder;

### **NATURE OF PROPOSED CHANGES:**

The Department plans to request approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to amend the rates of reimbursement for personal care and related services under Chapter 101, MaineCare Benefits Manual, Section 19, Chapter III, Home and Community Benefits for the Elderly and Adults with Disabilities. The rates will be amended to reflect 100% of the final rates modeled in the February 1, 2016 report *Rate Review for Personal Care and Related Services: Final Rate Models* prepared by Burns & Associates, Inc.

Also, the Department plans to request approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services to amend the rates of reimbursement for services provided to adult MaineCare members with intellectual disabilities or autism under a waiver granted by the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for home-based and community-based care on the basis of rates and a methodology established by Department rulemaking. The Chapter 101, MaineCare Benefits Manual, Section 21, Chapter III, Allowances for Home and Community Benefits for Members with Intellectual Disabilities or Autism Spectrum Disorder amended procedure codes are:

- T2017 home support;
- T2017 SC home support with medical add-on;
- T2017 GT home support - remote support;
- T2016 agency home support;
- T2016 agency home support over 168 hours;
- T2016 SC agency home support with medical add-on;
- S5140 shared living foster care, adult, one member;
- S5140 TG shared living foster care, adult, one member, increased level of support;
- S5140 UN shared living foster care, adult, 2 members;
- S5140 UN TG shared living foster care, adult, 2 members, increased level of support;
- T2021 community support;
- T2021 SC community support with medical add-on;
- T2015 career planning;
- T2019 employment specialist services;
- T2019 SC employment specialist services with medical add-on;
- H2023 work support, individual;
- H2023 SC work support with medical add-on;
- H2023 UN work support, group, 2 members;
- H2023 UP work support, group, 3 members;

- H2023 UQ work support, group, 4 members;
- H2023 UR work support, group, 5 members;
- H2023 US work support, group, 6 members;
- T2034 crisis intervention services;
- T2016 U5 home support, family-centered support, one member;
- T2016 TG U5 home support, family-centered support, one member, increased level of support;
- T2016 UN U5 home support, family-centered support, 2 members;
- T2016 UN TG U5 home support, family-centered support, 2 members, increased level of support;
- T2016 UP U5 home support, family-centered support, 3 members;
- T2016 UP TG U5 home support, family-centered support, 3 members, increased level of support;
- T2016 UQ U5 home support, family-centered support, 4 members;
- T2016 UQ TG U5 home support, family-centered support, 4 members, increased level of support;
- T2016 UR U5 home support, family-centered support, 5 or more members; and
- T2016 UR TG U5 home support, family-centered support, 5 or more members, increased level of support.

Furthermore, the Chapter 101, MaineCare Benefits Manual, Section 29, Chapter III, Allowances for Support Services for Adults with Intellectual Disabilities or Autistic Disorder amended procedure codes are:

- T2017 home support, 1/4 hour;
- T2017 GT home support, remote support;
- T2021 community support;
- T2021 SC community support with medical add-on;
- T2019 employment specialist services;
- T2019 SC employment specialist services with medical add-on;
- H2023 work support, individual;
- H2023 SC work support - supported employment with medical add-on;
- H2023 UN work support, group, 2 members;
- H2023 UP work support, group, 3 members;
- H2023 UQ work support, group, 4 members;
- H2023 UR work support, group, 5 members;
- H2023 US work support, group, 6 members;
- T2015 career planning;
- S5150 respite, 1/4 hour;
- S5151 respite, per diem;
- S5140 shared living foster care, adult, one member; and
- S5140 UN shared living foster care, adult, 2 members.

**REASON FOR PROPOSED CHANGES:** All changes are pursuant to P.L. 2017, ch. 459, *An Act Making Certain Supplemental Appropriations and Allocations and Changing Certain Provisions of the Law Necessary to the Proper Operations of State Government.*

**ESTIMATE OF ANY EXPECTED INCREASE OR DECREASE IN ANNUAL AGGREGATE EXPENDITURES:** The Department anticipates that this change will result in an aggregate increase of \$81,217,539 in SFY 2019.

**ACCESS TO PROPOSED CHANGES AND COMMENTS TO PROPOSED CHANGES:** The public may review the proposed methodology changes and written comments at any Maine DHHS office in every Maine county. To find out where the Maine DHHS offices are located, call 1-800-452-1926. The Department will hold a hearing for the proposed rulemaking and will be publishing a notice which includes information on the hearing date and location.

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