

Bulletin: MSA 09-59

Distribution: Home Help Providers

Issued: December 30, 2009

Subject: Home Help Provider Wage Increase

Effective: As Stated

Programs Affected: Medicaid

Pursuant to Public Act 131 of 2009, all providers of Medicaid adult home help services will receive an hourly wage increase.

Individual home help providers will receive an hourly wage increase of 50 cents per hour.

Home help provider agencies will receive a rate increase predicated on the following:

- County agency rates will be increased by 5% or less, unless the current agency rate is equal to or greater than 170% of the county's new individual provider rate. Any agency rate that is equal to or greater than 170% of the county's new individual provider rate shall be frozen until such time as the agency rate is equal to or less than 170% of the county's individual provider rate.
- The minimum agency rate for any county will be 170% of the lowest county individual provider rate in the state.
- The maximum agency rate for any county will be 200% of the lowest county individual rate in the state at the time of policy implementation. Any county's agency rate that is currently above that amount will be frozen until such time as an increase is necessary to achieve a rate that is 170% of the county's individual provider rate.
- All agency rates will be rounded to the nearest quarter (25 cents).
- Agency rates are not transferable from county to county.

There will be no exceptions granted for deviation from the respective rates established from implementation of this policy.

Home help providers that operate in counties where the Department of Human Services (DHS) has established dual-county operations will receive the higher of the two established county rates. This will be applicable to individual and agency providers. The attached sheet provides payment rates for home help providers. The higher payment rate was used for counties where dual-county operations are indicated.

The effective date of this rate change is retroactive to November 1, 2009.

Individual home help providers will receive the wage increase and any retroactive wage adjustments for November and December in February's payment for January services. Home help agencies will receive the increased agency fee and any retroactive adjustments at the next redetermination date for beneficiaries being served by the agency. Questions regarding home help agency redeterminations should be directed to DHS Adult Services.

Manual Maintenance

Retain this bulletin until the information has been incorporated into the Michigan Medicaid Provider Manual.

Questions

Any questions regarding this bulletin should be directed to Provider Inquiry, Department of Community Health, P.O. Box 30731, Lansing, Michigan 48909-8231, or e-mail at ProviderSupport@michigan.gov. When you submit an e-mail, include your name, affiliation, and phone number so you may be contacted if necessary. Providers may phone toll-free 1-800-292-2550.

APPROVED

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Stephen Fitton". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Stephen Fitton, Director
Medical Services Administration

County	County Name	2nd County Code	2nd County Name	3rd County Code	3rd County Name	New Ind Prov Rate	New Agency Rate
1	Alcona	35	Iosco			\$8.00	\$14.50
2	Alger	77	Schoolcraft			\$8.50	\$14.25
3	Allegan					\$8.00	\$13.50
4	Alpena	71	Presque Isle			\$8.00	\$13.50
5	Antrim	40	Kalkaska			\$8.50	\$14.75
6	Arenac	9	Bay			\$8.00	\$13.50
7	Baraga	31	Houghton	42	Keweenaw	\$8.00	\$15.00
8	Barry	23	Eaton			\$8.00	\$14.50
9	Bay	6	Arenac			\$8.00	\$13.50
10	Benzie	51	Manistee			\$11.00	\$14.25
11	Berrien					\$8.00	\$13.50
12	Branch	30	Hillsdale			\$8.00	\$14.50
13	Calhoun					\$8.00	\$14.50
14	Cass	75	St. Joseph			\$8.00	\$14.50
15	Charlevoix	24	Emmet			\$8.00	\$13.50
16	Cheboygan	49	Mackinac			\$8.00	\$14.50
17	Chippewa	48	Luce			\$9.00	\$14.50
18	Clare	26	Gladwin			\$8.00	\$13.50
19	Clinton	29	Gratiot			\$8.00	\$14.50
20	Crawford	69	Otsego			\$8.50	\$15.00
21	Delta	55	Menominee			\$8.50	\$13.50
22	Dickinson	36	Iron			\$8.00	\$14.50
23	Eaton	8	Barry			\$8.00	\$14.50
24	Emmet	15	Charlevoix			\$8.00	\$13.50
25	Genesee					\$8.00	\$13.50
26	Gladwin	18	Clare			\$8.00	\$13.50
27	Gogebic	66	Ontonagon			\$8.50	\$15.00
28	Grand Traverse	45	Leelanau			\$11.00	\$15.00
29	Gratiot	19	Clinton			\$8.00	\$14.50
30	Hillsdale	12	Branch			\$8.00	\$14.50
31	Houghton	7	Baraga	42	Keweenaw	\$8.00	\$15.00
32	Huron	79	Tuscola			\$8.00	\$13.50
33	Ingham					\$8.00	\$13.75
34	Ionia	59	Montcalm			\$8.00	\$13.50
35	Iosco	1	Alcona			\$8.00	\$14.50
36	Iron	22	Dickinson			\$8.00	\$14.50
37	Isabella	56	Midland			\$8.00	\$13.50
38	Jackson					\$8.50	\$14.50
39	Kalamazoo					\$8.00	\$14.50
40	Kalkaska	5	Antrim			\$8.50	\$14.75
41	Kent					\$8.00	\$15.50
42	Keweenaw	7	Baraga	31	Houghton	\$8.00	\$15.00
43	Lake	62	Newaygo			\$8.00	\$13.50

County	County Name	2nd County Code	2nd County Name	3rd County Code	3rd County Name	New Ind Prov Rate	New Agency Rate
44	Lapeer	76	Sanilac			\$8.00	\$14.00
45	Leelanau	28	Grand Traverse			\$11.00	\$15.00
46	Lenawee					\$9.50	\$14.25
47	Livingston	78	Shiawassee			\$9.00	\$13.50
48	Luce	17	Chippewa			\$9.00	\$14.50
49	Mackinac	16	Cheboygan			\$8.00	\$14.50
50	Macomb					\$8.00	\$14.25
51	Manistee	10	Benzie			\$11.00	\$14.25
52	Marquette					\$8.00	\$13.50
53	Mason	64	Oceana			\$8.00	\$15.00
54	Mecosta	67	Osceola			\$8.00	\$13.50
55	Menominee	21	Delta			\$8.50	\$13.50
56	Midland	37	Isabella			\$8.00	\$13.50
57	Missaukee	83	Wexford			\$8.00	\$13.50
58	Monroe					\$8.00	\$14.50
59	Montcalm	34	Ionia			\$8.00	\$13.50
60	Montmorency	68	Oscoda			\$8.00	\$14.00
61	Muskegon					\$8.50	\$14.50
62	Newaygo	43	Lake			\$8.00	\$13.50
63	Oakland					\$8.00	\$13.50
64	Oceana	53	Mason			\$8.00	\$15.00
65	Ogemaw	72	Roscommon			\$8.00	\$14.50
66	Ontonagon	27	Gogebic			\$8.50	\$15.00
67	Osceola	54	Mecosta			\$8.00	\$13.50
68	Oscoda	60	Montmorency			\$8.00	\$14.00
69	Otsego	20	Crawford			\$8.50	\$15.00
70	Ottawa					\$8.75	\$13.50
71	Presque Isle	4	Alpena			\$8.00	\$13.50
72	Roscommon	65	Ogemaw			\$8.00	\$14.50
73	Saginaw					\$8.00	\$13.50
74	St. Clair					\$8.00	\$14.50
75	St. Joseph	14	Cass			\$8.00	\$14.50
76	Sanilac	44	Lapeer			\$8.00	\$14.00
77	Schoolcraft	2	Alger			\$8.50	\$14.25
78	Shiawassee	47	Livingston			\$9.00	\$13.50
79	Tuscola	32	Huron			\$8.00	\$13.50
80	Van Buren					\$8.00	\$14.50
81	Washtenaw					\$8.00	\$14.50
82	Wayne					\$8.00	\$13.50
83	Wexford	57	Missaukee			\$8.00	\$13.50