

**STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**07/20/2023 PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO RHODE ISLAND MEDICAID
STATE PLAN**

In accordance Rhode Island General Laws 42-35, notice is hereby given that the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS) proposes to make the following amendment to the Rhode Island State Plan under Title XIX of the Social Security Act:

**Community-based Group Homes for Children and Youth with Intellectual/Developmental
Disabilities Rate Increase**

EOHHS is seeking approval from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) to update Rhode Island's Medicaid State Plan to implement a 7% rate increase for community-based group homes for children and youth with intellectual/ developmental disabilities that submit claims to Medicaid directly.

These changes are proposed to take effect on July 21, 2023. This change is expected to result in an increase in expenditures of \$545,000 in FFY24 and \$545,000 in FY25 (all funds).

This proposed amendment is accessible on the EOHHS website (www.eohhs.ri.gov) or available in hard copy upon request (401-462-2407 or RI Relay, dial 711). Interested persons should submit data, views, or written comments by August 20, 2023 to Brittany Church, Executive Office of Health and Human Services, 3 West Rd, Cranston, RI, 02920, or Brittany.Church@ohhs.ri.gov or via phone at (401) 462-2407.

In accordance with the Rhode Island General Laws 42-35-2.8, an oral hearing will be granted on the proposed State Plan Amendment if requested by twenty-five (25) persons, an agency, or by an association having at least twenty-five (25) members. A request for an oral hearing must be made within ten (10) days of this notice.

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**Original signed by Richard Charest, Secretary, Rhode Island Executive Office of Health
and Human Services**

Signed this 20th day of July, 2023

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Rehabilitative Services (cont.)**Mental Health Emergency Service Interventions;****Comprehensive Emergency Services****Enhanced Early Start****Day Treatment Program**Payment Methodology

Services are reimbursed based on a fee schedule.

Fees are determined on a per diem basis.

The State Medicaid agency will have a contract with each entity receiving payment under this service that will require that the entity furnish to the Medicaid agency on an annual basis the following:

- a. data, by practitioner, on the utilization by Medicaid beneficiaries of the services included in the unit rate and;
- b. cost information by practitioner type and by type of service actually delivered within the service unit.

Future rate updates will be based on information obtained from the providers.

Rate Increases:

The State does not increase rates based on a set inflation factor on a pre-determined basis.

Date of Effective Rates:

The agency rates were set as of January 1, 2008 and are effective for services on or after that date.

Residential Treatment ProgramsPayment Methodology

The rate is structure to capture all of the staff cost associated with providing the basis, routine day-to-day rehabilitative care uniformly provided to all residents that either takes place in the program, or is provided by staff of the program.

Payment is on a per diem basis.

Payment does not include room and board.

The State Medicaid agency will have a contract with each entity receiving payment under this service that will require that the entity furnish to the Medicaid agency on an annual basis the following:

- a. data, by practitioner, on the utilization by Medicaid beneficiaries of the services included in the unit rate and;
- b. cost information by practitioner type and by type of service actually delivered within the service unit.

Future rate updates will be based on information obtained from the providers.

Rate Increases:

The State does not increase rates based on a set inflation factor on a pre-determined basis.

Date of Effective Rates:

The agency rates (accessible at

<https://providersearch.riproviderportal.org/ProviderSearchEOHHS/FFSFeeSchedule.aspx>) were set as of ~~October 1, 2020~~ July 21, 2023 and are effective for services on or after that date.

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Approved:

Effective: July 21, 2023