

**TEXAS HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION
RATE ANALYSIS DEPARTMENT**

June 28, 2013

Proposed Payment Rates for Texas Home Living

Payment rates are proposed to be effective
September 1, 2013

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED PAYMENT RATES

Effective September 1, 2013

The Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will conduct a public hearing at 10:00 a.m. on July 15, 2013, in the Public Hearing Room in the John H. Winters Building, 701 West 51st Street, Austin, Texas, with entrance through Security at the front of the building facing 51st Street. Public comments will be received on proposed payment rates to be effective September 1, 2013, for the Texas Home Living (TxHmL) waiver program operated by the Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS):

HHSC will consider concerns expressed at the hearing prior to final rate approval. This public hearing is held in compliance with Human Resources Code §32.0282 and Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Title 1, §355.105(g), which require public notice and hearings on proposed Medicaid reimbursements before such rates are approved by HHSC.

PROPOSED RATES

The proposed payment rates for community support services, respite, supported employment, employment assistance, and day habilitation are in Attachments 1-5. Proposed CDS payment rates for these services are presented in Table 1 below.

Table 1.

Consumer Directed Services (CDS)	Individual Payment Rates for Determining the Individual's Budget
CDS Community Support Services - per hour	\$22.01
CDS Respite - per hour	\$17.89
CDS Supported Employment - per hour	\$32.10
CDS Employment Assistance - per hour	\$32.10
CDS Day Habilitation - per day	\$26.43
Financial Management Services Agency - per month	\$154.79

Table 2. TxHmL Services Not Proposed to Change

Behavioral Support Services	CDS Physical Therapy
Dietary	CDS Occupational Therapy
Physical Therapy	CDS Speech Therapy
Occupational Therapy	CDS Audiology
Speech	CDS Behavioral Support
Audiology	CDS Dietary
Registered Nurse (RN)	CDS RN
RN Specialized	CDS RN Specialized
Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN)	CDS LVN
LVN Specialized	CDS LVN Specialized
CDS Support Consultation	

METHODOLOGY AND JUSTIFICATION

The proposed payment rates incorporate appropriations provisions from the 2014-15 General Appropriations Act, S.B. 1, 83rd Legislature, Regular Session, 2013 (Article II, HHSC Rider 51(b)(23)), which requires HHSC to align TxHmL rates with Home and Community-based Services rates. The proposed payment rates were determined in accordance with the rate setting methodologies codified at 1 TAC, Chapter 355, Subchapter F, §355.723, Reimbursement Methodology for Home and Community-Based Services and Texas Home Living Programs, and were subsequently adjusted in accordance with 1 TAC Chapter 355, Subchapter A, §355.101, Introduction, and §355.109, Adjusting Reimbursement When New Legislation, Regulations or Economic Factors Affect Costs, and Subchapter B, §355.201, Establishment and Adjustment of Reimbursement Rates by the Health and Human Services Commission.

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