

Difference Between Current Rate Schedules and Those Released on July 1, 2004

The current rate schedules are different from the rate schedules released for public comment on July 1, 2004. While most of the rates remained the same, the following is a list of differences between the two schedules:

1. The numbering in the tables of the rate schedules was changed. The July 1, 2004 schedules were numbered in their titles as 5.1 and 6.1. The current rate schedules are organized in the following order:
 - Schedule 5.2 lists benchmark and adopted rates for SFY 05.
 - Schedule 6.2 lists group home daily rates based on the adopted rates outlined in Schedule 5.2.

Subsequent changes in schedules will follow this numbering convention. As new schedules are released, they will be numbered to reflect the version (e.g., the next version of 5.2 will be numbered 5.3).

2. Home-Based Services:
 - Multi-client rates for Housekeeping (HSK) were added to Sub-Schedule 5A.
 - Description for Respite, Continuous was amended to clarify that 13 hours of service do not need to be consecutive, but they must be provided in the same calendar day.
 - Multi-client rates for Habilitation, Individually Designed Living Arrangement (HAI) were added to Sub-Schedule 5A and the method for billing services provided to multiple clients was changed.
3. Day Treatment and Training Services:
 - Benchmark rates for Adult, Children, and Rural services were increased due to the inclusion of the Staffing Adjustment Factor in rate models. The rate models attached with these revised rate schedules reflect these changes.
4. Residential Services:
 - Description for Incontinence Supplies and Nutritional Supplements in Sub-Schedule 5C was revised to direct providers to Schedule 6 for a daily rate in Group Home services that is already inclusive of these modifiers.
 - 'HAB' service code was removed from the list of possible billing codes for Incontinence Supplies and Nutritional Supplements because these modifiers will be already included in the daily rate when applicable.
 - Habilitation, Vendor Supported Developmental Home rates are now listed separately for Adult and Child:
 - a. Benchmark and Adopted rates for Habilitation, Vendor Supported Developmental Home, Adult (HBA) remained the same.

- b. Benchmark and Adopted rates for Habilitation, Vendor Supported Developmental Home, Child (HBC) were increased by two percent to reflect requirements for additional provider training, outlined in the amended RFQVA #704011 (Amendment 9).

The rate models attached with these revised rate schedules reflect the changes in the Habilitation, Vendor Supported Developmental Home, Child (HBC) independent rate model.

- 5. Support Coordination (Case Management):
 - State Funded Support Coordination (state funded case management) rate was added to Sub-Schedule 5G.
 - Additional information on maximum caseloads for each type of Support Coordination service was added to Sub-Schedule 5G.
- 6. In Schedule 6.2:
 - Sub-Schedules 6A-1 and 6B-1 were deleted. These schedules showed the Group Home daily rates in the old format of the Adopted Rate Matrix.
 - Sub-Schedules 6A-2 and 6B-2 were renumbered to Sub-Schedules 6A and 6B, respectively. These schedules contain the same Group Home daily rates in the newly adopted revised format that was first published in the July 1, 2004 Schedule 6.1.