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Adult Foster Care Bulletin 32

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TO: Adult Foster Care Providers Participating in MassHealth

FROM: Mike Levine, Assistant Secretary for MassHealth The Lutte

RE: Specific Guidance Related to the Adult Foster Care Program's Caregiver

Compensation

Background

As described in 130 CMR 408.430(G), adult foster care (AFC) providers must agree to pay AFC caregivers on a timely basis for services provided at correct compensation levels for which a minimum amount may be established by a MassHealth bulletin or other written notice. Any such bulletin or written notice will be concurrent with the rates established under Chapter 118E, Section 13D, and 101 CMR 351.00: *Rates for Certain Adult Foster Care Services*.

This bulletin outlines the specific AFC caregiver compensation minimum amounts for both AFC Level I and AFC Level II per diem service payments, and which is concurrent with the analysis for existing AFC rates established at 101 CMR 351.00.

AFC Caregiver Compensation

The per diem minimum caregiver compensation amounts are as follows:

AFC Level I: \$25AFC Level II: \$49

All AFC providers must meet this requirement as outlined in this bulletin and in 130 CMR 408.430(G) by **July 1**, **2024**. AFC providers who fail to meet this requirement may be subject to sanctions outlined in 130 CMR 450.238 through 405.240, which may include administrative fines or other sanctions up to and including termination from participation in the MassHealth AFC program.

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