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**TO**: Acquired Brain Injury (ABI) and Moving Forward Plan (MFP) Waiver Providers

Participating in MassHealth

**FROM**: Daniel Tsai, Assistant Secretary for MassHealth

**RE:** Enhanced Rates and Billing Instructions for ABI and MFP Waiver Day

Services, Community-based Day Supports, Prevocational Services, and Supported Employment for Dates of Service from December 1, 2020,

through May 31, 2021

### **Background**

In light of the state of emergency declared in the Commonwealth due to COVID-19, the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS), which administers the Massachusetts Medicaid program known as "MassHealth," has established enhanced rates for ABI and MFP Waiver day services, community-based day supports (CBDS), prevocational services, and supported employment under 101 CMR 445.00: *COVID-19 Payment Rates for Certain Day Programs*. These enhanced rates have been established to address the reduced member utilization of day program services as waiver participants begin returning to day programs following closures and/or access limitations related to COVID-19.

This bulletin sets forth the enhanced rates and billing instructions for day services in effect for MassHealth-covered ABI and MFP Waiver day services, CBDS, prevocational services, and supported employment provided on or after December 1, 2020, through May 31, 2021.

## **Enhanced ABI/MFP Waiver Service Rates and Billing Instructions for Day Services**

#### 1. Enhanced Rates during the Period December 1, 2020, through February 28, 2021

#### **Day Services**

For dates of service on or after December 1, 2020, through February 28, 2021, ABI and MFP Waiver day services providers may bill at the following enhanced rates established under 101 CMR 445.03(2)(b) for day services provided to ABI and MFP waiver participants.

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Service Description	Code	Unit	Rate
Day Services	S5102-UC	Per Diem	\$147.14
Day Services – Partial Day	S5101-UC	3 Hours	\$73.57

## Prevocational Services and Supported Employment

For dates of service on or after December 1, 2020, through February 28, 2021, prevocational services and supported employment providers may bill at the following enhanced rates established under 101 CMR 445.03(2)(b) for these services when provided to ABI and MFP waiver participants.

Service Description	Code	Unit	Rate
Supported Employment (Individual)	H2023	Per 15 Min.	\$18.16
Prevocational Services	T2019	Per 15 Min.	\$13.09

#### **CBDS**

For dates of service on or after December 1, 2020, through February 28, 2021, CBDS providers may bill at the Level B rate established in 101 CMR 415.00 for these services when provided to ABI and MFP waiver participants. For participants previously authorized for services at Level B, CBDS providers may bill at the Level I rate established in 101 CMR 415.00 for these services when provided to ABI and MFP waiver participants.

#### 2. Enhanced Rates During the Period March 1, 2021, through May 31, 2021

## **Day Services**

For dates of service on or after March 1, 2021, through May 31, 2021, ABI and MFP Waiver day services providers may bill at the following enhanced rates established under 101 CMR 445.03(2)(c) for day services provided to ABI and MFP waiver participants, subject to the following limitation.

Service Description	Code	Unit	Rate
Day Services	S5102-UC	Per Diem	\$131.38
Day Services – Partial Day	S5101-UC	3 Hours	\$65.69

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#### Prevocational Services and Supported Employment

For dates of service on or after March 1, 2021, through May 31, 2021, prevocational services and supported employment providers may bill at the following enhanced rates established under 101 CMR 445.03(2)(b) for these services when provided to ABI and MFP waiver participants.

Service Description	Code	Unit	Rate
Supported Employment (Individual)	H2023	Per 15 Min.	\$16.21
Prevocational Services	T2019	Per 15 Min.	\$11.69

#### **CBDS**

For dates of service on or after March 1, 2021, through May 31, 2021, CBDS providers may bill at the Level B rate established in 101 CMR 415.00 for these services when provided to ABI and MFP waiver participants. For participants previously authorized for services at Level B, CBDS providers may bill at the Level I rate established in 101 CMR 415.00 for these services when provided to ABI and MFP waiver participants.

#### Rates for Dates of Service on or after June 1, 2021

For dates of service on or after June 1, 2021, MassHealth will pay ABI and MFP waiver providers for day services, CBDS, prevocational services, and supported employment at the rates established under 101 CMR 359.00.

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#### **Questions**

If you have any questions about the information in this bulletin, please contact the Disability and Community Services HCBS Provider Network Administration Unit.

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