**Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

**Executive Office of Health and Human Services**

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGES IN STATEWIDE METHODS AND STANDARDS**

**FOR SETTING PAYMENT RATES**

**SUBJECT:** MassHealth: Rates for MassHealth Adult Foster Care Services

**AGENCY:** Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services

**SUMMARY:** MassHealth Proposed Rate Changes for Certain Adult Foster Care Services Effective July 1, 2022

**DESCRIPTION OF CHANGES:**

The following are proposed changes to rates for adult foster care (AFC) services, inclusive of group adult foster care (GAFC) services, established in regulation at 101 CMR 351.00 pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 118E, Sections 13C and 13D, and effective for dates of service provided on or after July 1, 2022.

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| **Service Name or Description** | **Previous Rate**  **(for reference)** | | **Rate Effective July 1, 2022** | |
| **Rate** | **Unit** | **Rate** | **Unit** |
| AFC Level I | $48.10 | Per diem | $48.10 | Per diem |
| AFC Level II | $82.67 | Per diem | $82.67 | Per diem |
| AFC Level I Alternative Caregiver Day | $48.10 | Per diem | $48.10 | Per diem |
| AFC Level II Alternative Caregiver Day | $82.67 | Per diem | $82.67 | Per diem |
| AFC Level I MLOA Day | $48.10 | Per diem | $48.10 | Per diem |
| AFC Level II MLOA Day | $82.67 | Per diem | $82.67 | Per diem |
| AFC Level I NMLOA Day | $48.10 | Per diem | $48.10 | Per diem |
| AFC Level II NMLOA Day | $82.67 | Per diem | $82.67 | Per diem |
| AFC Intake and Assessment Services | $242.38 | Per admission | $242.38 | Per admission |
| GAFC | $40.33 | Per diem | $43.53 | Per diem |

The estimated annual aggregate state expenditures as a result of the above changes for AFC rates effective July 1, 2022, is $0, where these are continuing at the previous rates. The estimated annual aggregate state expenditures as a result of the above changes to GAFC rates effective July 1, 2022, is $6 million.

Individuals may submit written comments, or request a copy of any notices or written comments, concerning the matters herein by emailing [ehs-regulations@mass.gov](file:///\\ehs-fp-bos-009.ehs.govt.state.ma.us\SJohnson$\!Special%20Notices\AFC-July%201%202022\ehs-regulations@mass.gov). Please submit electronic comments as an attached Word or PDF document or as text within the body of the email with the phrase “MassHealth Changes in Rates for AFC Services” in the subject line. All submissions must include the sender’s full name, mailing address, and affiliation or organization, if any. Individuals who are unable to submit comments or request a copy of any notices or written copies by email should mail written comments or requests to EOHHS, c/o Debby Briggs, 100 Hancock Street, 6th Floor, Quincy, MA 02171.