

## **Introduction**

Good afternoon. My name is Jeffrey Saltzman, and I am the Program Manager of Adult Foster Care and Group Adult Foster Care at MassHealth in the Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS). I am here to present testimony on the proposed amendments to regulation 101 CMR 351.00: *Rates for Certain Adult Foster Care Services*. The proposed amendments are anticipated to be effective for dates of service on or after November 1, 2025.

## **Background**

Regulation 101 CMR 351.00 governs the MassHealth payment rates for adult foster care (AFC) services. These services, described in 130 CMR 408.000: Adult Foster Care, are provided by participating providers to eligible publicly aided individuals. Under the AFC program, an AFC caregiver lives with and provides in-home personal care to members. Amendments to AFC payment rates were last made for dates of service on or after July 1, 2023.

## **Description of Changes**

The proposed amendments update the effective date of 101 CMR 351.00 to November 1, 2025, with no changes to the current AFC service rates.

Maintaining the current rates satisfies the requirements of M.G.L. Chapter 118E Section 13C, which requires that rates established by EOHHS for health care services be “adequate to meet the costs incurred by efficiently and economically operated facilities providing care and services in conformity with applicable state and federal laws and regulations and quality and safety standards.” There is no current indication of an access problem for AFC services.

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**Fiscal Impact**

There is no fiscal impact associated with the proposed amendments.

This concludes my testimony.

Thank you.