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Montana Medicaid State Plan Amendments effective July 1, 2025

On or before September 30, 2025, the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS) will submit the following Montana Medicaid State Plan Amendments (SPAs) effective July 1, 2025 for Centers of Medicare and Medicaid Service (CMS) approval.

DPHHS proposes an increase to many of Montana Medicaid's provider rates and fee schedules appropriated in the 2025 Montana Legislative Session, effective July 1, 2025. In establishing the proposed rates, the department considered as primary factors the availability of funds appropriated by the Montana legislature during the 2025 regular legislative session, the actual cost of services, and the availability of services. Proposed changes to provider rates that are the subject to this public notice, including rates in fee schedules and rates in provider manuals, can be found at <https://medicaidprovider.mt.gov/proposedfs>.

Other Medicaid Reimbursement Changes

Dental Services State Plan proposes to implement the following change:

- An increase to the adult dental treatment services limit by 3%, resulting in a new limit of \$1,205. This increase ensures the quantity of services a member can receive remains unaffected by the provider rate increases, and is therefore, anticipated to be budget neutral.

Community First Choice Services (CFCS) and Personal Care Services (PCS) State Plans propose to implement the following changes:

- Plan Funding for Health Care for Health Care Workers (HCHCW) will be \$3,411,285 in state fiscal year (SFY) 2026 and SFY 2027, to provide CFCS and PCS provider agencies the ability to purchase insurance for direct care workers (DCW).
- Funding for DCW wages will provide for wage or lump-sum payments to workers who provide direct care services under the CFCS and PCS state plans. CFCS and PCS state plan funding will be \$6,121,811 in both SFY 2026 and SFY 2027.
- The CFCS and PCS state plan amendments are budget neutral, as the appropriations, per SFY, are the same as the previous biennium.

DPHHS is committed to an extensive public process. We invite your comments and questions on these waiver amendments called in, emailed or postmarked **through July 30, 2025**. You may direct comments to the Medicaid State Plan Amendment and Waiver Coordinator, at (406) 444-2584 or dphhscomments@mt.gov; or Director's Office, PO Box 4210, Helena MT 59604-4210.