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DEPARTMENT FOR MEDICAID SERVICES**

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To: Home and Community Based Waiver Financial Management Agencies  
Home and Community Based Waiver Service Advisors

From: Pam Smith  
Director, Division of Community Alternatives

Date: February 11, 2022

Re: Home and Community Supports Rate Increase

The Department for Medicaid Services is raising the reimbursement rate for the Home and Community Supports service in the Home and Community Based (HCB) waiver. The following changes become **effective on March 1, 2022**:

- The name of Home and Community Supports will change to Attendant Care.
- The rate will increase from \$2.88 per 15-minute unit to \$6.00 per 15-minute unit.

This change allows HCB participants receiving Home and Community Supports to increase the hourly pay for their Participant Directed Services employee(s).

Service Advisors and Financial Management Agencies (FMA) need to take the following steps for participants currently receiving Home and Community Supports.

- If a participant chooses to increase their PDS employee(s) pay rate, their person-centered service plan (PCSP) should be updated to reflect they are receiving Attendant Care as of March 1, 2022. If a participant chooses not to increase the pay rate, the PCSP can be updated from Home and Community Supports to Attendant Care at their next modification or renewal.
- If a participant does not pay their PDS employee(s) the maximum rate, the FMA will need to complete an override rate in the Mobile Caregiver+ EVV system. Directions for entering an override rate are available at <https://bit.ly/evvqrgoverriderates>.
- FMAs will continue to bill Attendant Care using the Home and Community Supports code (S5108 HI).



DMS is working with teams at the Kentucky Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS) and the Medicaid Waiver Management Application (MWMA) to make sure all necessary system updates related to this change are in place by the effective date. DMS will notify providers when system changes are complete.

For questions about the rate change or waiver policy, contact the 1915(c) Waiver Help Desk at (844) 784-5614 or [1915cWaiverHelpDesk@ky.gov](mailto:1915cWaiverHelpDesk@ky.gov).

For technical questions about MWMA, contact the MWMA Contact Center at (844) 784-5614, option 1.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Pam Smith". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Pam Smith  
Director, Division of Community Alternatives