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Personal Care Rate Update Effective January 1, 2024

The purpose of this bulletin is to inform providers that rates for personal care services will increase, effective January 1, 2024.

In accordance with Item 304.YYYY of the 2023 Virginia Acts of Assembly, Consumer Directed and Agency Directed Personal Care, Respite Care, and Companion Care rates will increase by 5%. Please find the new rates for personal care in the tables below.

Agency Directed					
Procedure Code	Description	Region	Rates Effective 1/1/2024		
T1019	Personal Care	NOVA	\$22.88		
T1019	Personal Care	ROS	\$19.44		
T1005	Respite Care	NOVA	\$22.88		
T1005	Respite Care	ROS	\$19.44		
S5135	Companion Care	NOVA	\$22.88		
S5135	Companion Care	ROS	\$19.44		

Consumer Directed					
			Rates Effective		
Procedure Code	Description	Region	1/1/2024		
S5126	Consumer Directed Personal Care	NOVA	\$17.27		
S5126	Consumer Directed Personal Care	ROS	\$13.34		
S5150	Consumer Directed Respite Care	NOVA	\$17.27		
S5150	Consumer Directed Respite Care	ROS	\$13.34		
S5136	Consumer Directed Companion Care	NOVA	\$17.27		
S5136	Consumer Directed Companion Care	ROS	\$13.34		

Personal Care Rates Effective January 1, 2024

This memo serves as the official notification that personal care rates effective January 1, 2024 are posted on the DMAS website

at https://www.dmas.virginia.gov/for-providers/long-term-care/waivers/. Corrections or revisions will be noted at the bottom of the official rate sheet. If you have any questions regarding personal care rates please call the provider helpline at 800-552-8627.

Appeals Information

If you believe an error was made for payment rates or totals, you can file an appeal. The appeal must be filed with the DMAS Appeals Division through one of the following methods:

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- Through the Appeals Information Management System at https://www.dmas.virginia.gov/appeals/. From there you can fill out an informal appeal request, submit documentation, and follow the process of your appeal.
- Through mail, email, or fax. You can download a Medicaid Provider Appeal Request form at https://www.dmas.virginia.gov/appeals/. You can use that form or a letter to file the informal appeal. The appeal request must identify the issues being appealed. The request can be submitted by:
 - Mail or delivery to: Appeals Division, Department of Medical Assistance Services, 600 E. Broad Street, Richmond, VA 23219;
 - Email to <u>appeals@dmas.virginia.gov</u>; or
 - Fax to (804) 452-5454.

The appeal must be received by the DMAS Appeals Division within 30 days of the payment rate or total being published by DMAS. The notice of appeal is considered filed when it is date stamped by the DMAS Appeals Division. The normal business hours of DMAS are from 8:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m. on dates when DMAS is open for business. Documents received after 5:00 p.m. on the deadline date shall be untimely.

PROVIDER CONTACT INFORMATION & RESOURCES

Virginia Medicaid **Web Portal Automated Response** System (ARS)

Member eligibility, claims status, payment status, service limits, service authorization status, and remittance advice.

https://vamedicaid.dmas.virginia.gov/

Medicall (Audio Response System)

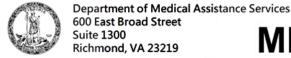
Member eligibility, claims status, payment status, service limits, service authorization status, and remittance advice.

1-800-884-9730 or 1-800-772-9996

Acentra Health

Service authorization information for fee-forservice members.

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Provider Appeals

DMAS launched an appeals portal in 2021. You can use this portal to file appeals and track the status of your appeals. Visit the website listed for appeal resources and to

https://www.dmas.virginia.gov/appeals/

register for the portal. **Managed Care Programs**

Cardinal Care Managed Care and Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE). In order to be reimbursed for services provided to a managed care enrolled individual, providers must follow their respective contract with the managed care plan/PACE provider. The managed care plan may utilize different guidelines than those described for Medicaid fee-for-service individuals.

Cardinal Care https://www.dmas.virginia.gov/for-providers/managed-care/cardinal-care-managed-care/ **Managed Care**

PACE http://www.dmas.virginia.gov/#/longtermprograms

Acentra Health

Behavioral Health https://dmas.kepro.com/ Services

In-State: 804-270-5105

Provider Enrollment Out of State Toll Free: 888-829-5373

Email: VAMedicaidProviderEnrollment@gainwelltechnologies.com

Provider HELPLINE

Monday-Friday 8:00

1-804-786-6273 a.m.-5:00 p.m. For provider use only, have 1-800-552-8627 Medicaid Provider ID

Number available.

Aetna Better Health of https://www.aetnabetterhealth.com/virginia/providers/index.html

1-800-279-1878 Virginia

Anthem HealthKeepers http://www.anthem.com/

Plus 1-800-901-0020

Molina Complete Care 1-800-424-4524 https://www.molinahealthcare.com/providers/va/medicaid/home.aspx

Sentara Community Plan 1-800-881-2166 https://www.sentarahealthplans.com/providers

United Healthcare www.uhcprovider.com/

1-844-284-0149

Dental Provider

1-888-912-3456 DentaQuest