

WSR 23-02-039

HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

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NOTICE

Title or Subject: Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) 23-0011
Provider and Facility January Rates.

Effective Date: January 1, 2023.

Description: The health care authority (HCA), in conjunction with the aging and long-term support administration (AL TSA) of the department of social and health services (DSHS), intend to submit medicaid SPA 23-0011 in order to adjust agency providers and consumer directed employer rates based on negotiated increases and an estimated decrease in the IRS mileage reimbursement rate. At this time, the IRS has not released the 2023 mileage reimbursement and the below rates are based on an estimated decrease from \$0.625 to \$0.59 per mile. SPA 23-0011 is expected to:

- Increase the hourly rate of agency providers by 1.5 percent, an expected weighted average increase of \$0.52.
- Decrease the hourly rate of consumer-directed employers by 0.3 percent, an expected weighted average decrease of \$0.12.

SPA 23-0011 is in the development process; therefore, a copy is not yet available for review. HCA and DSHS would appreciate any input or concerns regarding this SPA. To request a copy when it becomes available or submit comments, please contact the person named below (please note that all comments are subject to public review and disclosure, as are the names of those who comment).

Interested parties may submit comments and concerns about the rates or the effects the changes may have on beneficiary access to care or continued service access. Please submit comments and concerns to the person named below.

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