

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES
Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services
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Division of Medicaid & Children's Health Operations

JAN 29 2012

MaryAnne Lindeblad, Director
Health Care Authority
Post Office Box 45502
Olympia, Washington 98504-5010

RE: Washington State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 12-014

Dear Ms. Lindeblad:

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Seattle Regional Office has completed its review of Washington State Plan Amendment (SPA) Transmittal Number 12-014. This amendment revises rates for Licensed Boarding Homes and Adult Family Homes.

This SPA is approved effective July 1, 2012.

If you have any additional questions or require any further assistance, please contact me, or have your staff contact James Moreth at (360) 943-0469 or James.Moreth@cms.hhs.gov

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to read "Carol J.C. Peverly for".

Carol J.C. Peverly
Associate Regional Administrator
Division of Medicaid and Children's Health
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Enclosure

**TRANSMITTAL AND NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF
STATE PLAN MATERIAL**

1. TRANSMITTAL NUMBER:
12-014

2. STATE
Washington

FOR: HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION

3. PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION: TITLE XIX OF THE
SOCIAL SECURITY ACT (MEDICAID)

TO: REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR
HEALTH CARE FINANCING ADMINISTRATION
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

4. PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE
July 1, 2012

5. TYPE OF PLAN MATERIAL (Check One):

NEW STATE PLAN AMENDMENT TO BE CONSIDERED AS NEW PLAN AMENDMENT

COMPLETE BLOCKS 6 THRU 10 IF THIS IS AN AMENDMENT (Separate Transmittal for each amendment)

6. FEDERAL STATUTE/REGULATION CITATION:

7. FEDERAL BUDGET IMPACT:
a. FFY 2012 (\$274,000)
b. FFY 2013 (\$1,060,087)

8. PAGE NUMBER OF THE PLAN SECTION OR ATTACHMENT:
Att. 4.19-B page 32

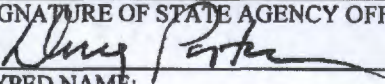
9. PAGE NUMBER OF THE SUPERSEDED PLAN SECTION
OR ATTACHMENT (If Applicable):
Att. 4.19-B page 32

10. SUBJECT OF AMENDMENT:

Licensed Boarding Homes & Adult Family Homes Rates

11. GOVERNOR'S REVIEW (Check One):

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE REPORTED NO COMMENT OTHER, AS SPECIFIED: Exempt
 COMMENTS OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE ENCLOSED
 NO REPLY RECEIVED WITHIN 45 DAYS OF SUBMITTAL

12. SIGNATURE OF STATE AGENCY OFFICIAL:


16. RETURN TO:
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Olympia, WA 98504-5504

13. TYPED NAME:
DOUG PORTER

14. TITLE:
DIRECTOR

15. DATE SUBMITTED:
July 11, 2012


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17. DATE RECEIVED: **JUL 11 2012**

18. DATE APPROVED: January 29, 2013

PLAN APPROVED - ONE COPY ATTACHED

19. EFFECTIVE DATE OF APPROVED MATERIAL:
July 1, 2012

20. SIGNATURE OF REGIONAL OFFICIAL:


21. TYPED NAME:
Carol J. C. Peverly

22. TITLE: Associate Regional Administrator
Division of Medicaid and Children's Health
Operations

23. REMARKS:

STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

STATE: WASHINGTON

POLICY AND METHODS USED IN ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES FOR EACH OF THE OTHER TYPES OF CARE OR SERVICE LISTED IN SECTION 1905 (A) OF THE ACT THAT IS INCLUDED IN THE PROGRAM UNDER THE PLAN (cont.)

XV. Personal Care Services (cont)

B. Service Rates

The fee schedule was last updated July 1, 2012, to be effective for dates of service on and after July 1, 2012. The updates to the fee schedule were due to the following:

- Adjustments to both the non-training and the training portion of the boarding home rate, and
- Adjustments to the adult family home rate based upon increased training requirements and licensing fee

Effective Jan. 1, 2008, the standard hourly rate for individual-provided personal care is based on comparable service units and is determined by the State legislature, based on negotiations between the Governor's Office and the union representing the workers. The rate for personal care services provided by individual providers consists of provider wages and benefits. Benefits include health insurance, training, and industrial insurance.

The rate for personal care services provided by agencies is based on an hourly unit. The agency rate determination corresponds to the rate for individual providers with an additional amount for employer functions performed by the agency.

The rate for personal care provided in boarding homes is based on a per day unit. Each participant is assigned to a classification group based on the State's assessment of their personal care needs. The daily rate varies depending on the individual's classification group. The rates are based on components for provider staff, operations, and capital costs. The rate paid to residential providers does not include room and board.

The rate for personal care provided in an adult family home is based on a per day unit and is determined by the State legislature, based on negotiations between the Governor's Office and the union representing Adult Family Homes.