



DDSN Memo

TO: EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS, DSN BOARDS and CEOS, CONTRACTED SERVICE PROVIDERS OF DDSN OPERATED WAIVER SERVICES

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RE: National Code Transition Changes - July 1, 2020

This memo addresses upcoming Medicaid code changes that will occur on July 1, 2020. Providers will be receiving new authorizations that are dated July 1, 2020, that will (1) increase the units for the services that are transitioning from hourly units to 15 minute units and (2) change the billing codes for some services. Providers that bill Medicaid directly for services should also be aware of the change in the code on the authorizations that will affect how they bill.

Services Affected

As part of this change services that had South Carolina specific Medicaid billing codes are being updated to national codes on July 1, 2020. The full list of codes and services that will be affected is on the last page of this memo. With the change in code, for some services, there may also be a change in the unit of measure. The services changing from one hour units to 15 minute units will require extra awareness in how the service is reported. These services include:

- Attendant Care
- Adult Companion Services
- Employment Services – Individual
- Hourly Residential Habilitation (SLP I)
- Hourly Respite

Required Action

In some cases the authorizations will be sent electronically in Therap and in some cases the authorizations will be sent via paper authorization.

- If the authorization is in Therap, service providers will need to acknowledge receipt of the new authorizations as well as the changed end date on the previous authorizations (previous authorizations will end June 30, 2020 in order for new authorizations to be effective July 1, 2020).
- For paper authorizations, the provider need only note the changed units and code and operate as normal. The new paper authorization will supersede the previous authorization effective July 1, 2020.

Providers that report services to DDSN for billing do not need to change how those services are reported, the billing unit changes will occur on the DDSN side of the transaction.

Providers that bill Medicaid directly will need to change the code and/or unit that they bill for on July 1, 2020.

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Table of Code Changes for Informational Purposes Only

Service and current code	New code	Unit of Measure	New Unit of Measure
X0247 - UAP Attendant Care Services	S5125	1 hr	15 min
X6986 - Adult Companion Services	S5135	1 hr	15 min
X6987 - Adult Day Health Care Services	S5102	1 day	1 day
X2045 - Adult Day Health Care Nursing Services	S5105	1 day	1 day
X0241 - Attendant Care/Personal Assistance	S5125	1 hr	15 min
X0243 - Attendant Care/Personal Assistance	S5125	1 hr	15 min
X0247 - Self-Directed Attendant Care (UAP Option)	S5125	1 hr	15 min
X1001 - Career Preparation Services	T2014	1/2 day	1/2 day
X1003 - Day Activity	T2020	1/2 day	1/2 day
X1002 - Employment Services - Group Employment Services	H2025	1/2 Day	1/2 Day
X1002 - Employment Services - Individual Employment Services	H2025	1 hr	15 min
H2025 - Employment Services (Individual)	H2025	1 hr	15 min
X1000 - Residential Habilitation: Daily	T2016	1 day	1 day
X6974 - Residential Habilitation: Hourly	T2017	1 hr	15 min
X6975 - Residential Habilitation: Daily	T2016	per night	per night
X7028 - Respite Care in participant's home or other private residence or Lic Group home	T1005	1 hr	15 min
X6985 - Respite care services	T1005	1 hr	15 min
S5150 - Respite care services	T1005	1 hr	15 min
X1916 - Medical Equipment	T2029		
X1915 - Medical Supplies	T2028		
x1922 - Medical Supplies or Medical Equipment/Assistive Technology or Consultation/Repair	T2028		
x1922 - Medical Supplies or Medical Equipment/Assistive Technology or Consultation/Repair	T2029		
G0177 - Support Center Services	S5151	1/2 day	1/2 day