



Home and Community Based Services

Rate Methodology Final Rates

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid (CMS) has required the Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (the Department) to update the rate methodology for the long-term services and supports (LTSS) Home- and Community-Based Service (HCBS) Waivers for continued approval. The Department calculated rates for all waiver services on the following waivers: Elderly, Blind and Disabled (EBD) Waiver; Community Mental Health Supports (CMHS) Waiver; Brain Injury (BI) Waiver; Spinal Cord Injury (SCI) Waiver; and Children’s Home and Community Based Services (CHCBS) Waiver. Concurrent to the work required to update the rate methodology, the Department also reviewed waiver services through the rate review process, which has aided the Department in identifying stakeholder concerns related to waiver service rates.

The following table contains:

- Service name
- Whether the service is available to clients enrolled in the EBD, CMHS, BI, SCI, and CHCBS Waivers. Y indicates a service is available and N indicates a service is not available.
- Current rate, as it appears on the Department’s HCBS Fee-For-Service Rate Schedule, found on the Department’s [Provider Rates & Fee Schedule website](#).
- Final rate, as calculated via the Department’s new HCBS rate methodology.
- Budget neutrality factor, which represents the percentage by which the final rate is reduced to equal the current rate. When in parenthesis, this number represents the percentage by which the current rate is decreased to equal the final rate as determined by the HBCS rate methodology.

Waiver Service	EBD	CMHS ⁱ	BI	SCI	CHCBS	Current Rate	Final Rate	Budget Neutrality Factor
Acupuncture	N	N	N	Y	N	\$18.28	\$26.74	31.63%
Alternative Care Facility	Y	Y	N	N	N	\$51.92	\$88.97	41.65%
Adult Day, Basic	Y	Y	N	Y	N	\$24.52	\$53.75	54.38%
Adult Day, Specialized	Y	Y	Y ⁱⁱ	Y	N	\$31.31	\$80.83	61.25%
Adult Day Mobility Van, Mileage Band 1	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	\$8.92	\$14.04	36.43%





Adult Day Mobility Van, Mileage Band 2	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	\$16.44	\$22.21	25.99%
Adult Day Mobility Van, Mileage Band 3	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	\$24.46	\$32.78	25.37%
Adult Day Wheelchair Van, Mileage Band 1	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	\$10.58	\$15.82	33.10%
Adult Day Wheelchair Van, Mileage Band 2	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	\$19.81	\$24.05	17.64%
Adult Day Wheelchair Van, Mileage Band 3	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	\$26.98	\$34.69	22.23%
Behavioral Health Services	N	N	Y	N	N	\$14.56	\$24.79	41.26%
Case Management	N	N	N	N	Y	\$8.76	\$15.78 ⁱⁱⁱ	44.49%
CDASS Homemaker	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	\$3.99	\$6.00 ^{iv}	33.50%
CDASS Personal Care	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	\$3.99	\$6.00 ^v	33.50%
CDASS Health Maintenance	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	\$7.37	\$7.67 ^{vi}	3.91%
Chiropractor	N	N	N	Y	N	\$23.52	\$16.74	(40.53)% ^{vii}
Day Treatment	N	N	Y	N	N	\$81.90	\$115.22	28.92%
IHSS Health Maintenance	Y	N	N	Y	Y	\$7.37	\$8.75	15.75%
Independent Living Skills Training	N	N	Y	N	N	\$26.51	\$48.48	45.33%
Homemaker/Basic Homemaker	Y	Y	N	Y	N	\$4.38	\$5.70	23.25%
Massage Therapy	N	N	N	Y	N	\$14.06	\$20.07	29.92%





Mental Health Counseling, Individual/Family	N	N	Y	N	N	\$15.04	\$25.75	41.60%
Mental Health Counseling, Group	N	N	Y	N	N	\$8.43	\$15.19	44.53%
Non-Medical Transportation Mobility Van, Mileage Band 1	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	\$8.92	\$14.04	36.47%
Non-Medical Transportation Mobility Van, Mileage Band 2	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	\$16.44	\$22.21	25.98%
Non-Medical Transportation Mobility Van, Mileage Band 3	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	\$24.46	\$32.78	25.38%
Non-Medical Transportation Wheelchair Van, Mileage Band 1	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	\$10.58	\$15.82	33.10%
Non-Medical Transportation Wheelchair Van, Mileage Band 2	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	\$19.81	\$24.05	17.64%
Non-Medical Transportation Wheelchair Van, Mileage Band 3	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	\$26.98	\$34.69	22.23%
Personal Care, Relative Personal Care	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	\$4.38	\$5.70	23.25%
Respite Care, Alternative Care Facility	Y	Y	N	Y	N	\$57.81	\$88.97	35.03%
Respite Care, In Home	Y	N	Y ^{viii}	Y	N	\$4.94	\$5.34	7.52%
Respite Care, Nursing Facility	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	\$128.92	\$178.55	27.80%





Substance Abuse Counseling, Family/Individual	N	N	Y	N	N	\$60.24	\$65.48	8.00%
Substance Abuse Counseling, Group	N	N	Y	N	N	\$33.75	\$35.36	4.56%

ⁱ CMS has not approved the ATB or TRI for the CMHS waiver, the rates listed include these increases thus the rates shown on this table will not match the CMHS fee schedule until CMS approval is received

ⁱⁱ Service on BI waiver is titled Adult Day with no designation of basic or specialized, however, the rate is identical to Specialized Adult Day found on the EBD, CMHS, and SCI waivers.

ⁱⁱⁱ Additional policy considerations and action may need to be taken for the implementation of the final rate

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^{vii} Indicates that the final rate decreased and the budget factor is positive, thus it would result in a rate decrease

^{viii} BI waiver rate for Respite In-Home is less than the rate in other waivers and will have a higher budget neutrality factor of 31.68%

