

## WSR 24-24-044

## HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

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## NOTICE

Medicaid Transformation Project (MTP) Caregiver Respite Services rate methodology under Health-Related Social Needs (HRSN) program. Effective Date: February 1, 2025.

The health care authority (HCA) intends to submit a rate methodology for caregiver respite services under MTP 2.0 - Section 1115 waiver. These services provide intermittent temporary supervision on a short-term basis and services provided are primarily nonmedical and may include attending to the individual's basic self-help needs and other activities of daily living, including interaction, socialization, and continuation of usual daily routines that would ordinarily be performed by a caregiver.

Caregiver respite services are expected to *increase* the annual aggregate expenditures for providers by approximately \$42 million under MTP 2.0. Providers will be able to access medicaid waiver funds to provide caregiver respite services.

The Caregiver respite services fee schedule is available for review at <https://www.hca.wa.gov/assets/program/MTP-caregiver-respite-fee-schedule.pdf>. HCA welcomes interested parties to submit comments and concerns about the rate methodology and/or the effects **no later than Friday, December 27**. Note: All comments are subject to public review and disclosure, as are the names of those who comment.

Please submit comments and concerns to Matt Christie, Health-Related Social Needs Manager, email [matt.christie@hca.wa.gov](mailto:matt.christie@hca.wa.gov), phone 360-725-2078, 626 8th Avenue S.E., Olympia, WA 98501.