WSR 26-14-088
HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY

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NOTICE

Title or Subject: Medicaid State Plan Amendment (SPA) 26-0016 Home and Community Based Services Rates.

Effective Date: July 1, 2026.

Description: The health care authority (HCA) and the aging and long-term support administration (ALTSA) of the department of social and health services (DSHS) intends to submit SPA 26-0016 in order to increase assisted living facility, adult family home, individual provider, and agency provider medicaid rates. SPA 26-0016 is expected to:

- Increase the average weighted adult family home daily rate by $2.44 to $191.89, an increase of one percent.
- Increase the average weighted adult day health daily rate by $11.19 to $123.06, an increase of 10 percent.
- Increase the individual provider hourly rates by $2.08 to $39.64, an increase of six percent.
- Increase the agency provider hourly rates by $2.32 to $45.24, an increase of five percent.

The SPA is currently under development. You may request a copy and it will be sent as soon as a draft is completed. HCA and DSHS would appreciate any input or concerns regarding this SPA. To request a copy 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 Elizabeth Pashley, regulatory advisor, at Elizabeth.pashley@dshs.wa.gov with a courtesy copy to Ann Myers, state plan coordinator, at ann.myers@hca.wa.gov by July 31, 2026. Please note that all comments are subject to public review and disclosure, as are the names of those who comment.

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