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SUBJECT

Financial Management Services Rate

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PURPOSE:

The purpose of this Office of Long- Term Living bulletin is to establish a two-part service rate for Financial Management Services (FMS) that includes a higher initial rate to reflect the labor-intensity of the startup process and a lower ongoing monthly rate for maintenance of existing participants.

SCOPE:

This Bulletin applies to the Fiscal/Employer Agents (F/EA) providing FMS in the Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Medical Assistance (MA) waivers and the state programs administered by the Office of Long-Term Living (OLTL).

BACKGROUND:

In response to directives from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), the Office of Long-Term Living (OLTL) established FMS services as discrete services as part of the waiver renewal work plan. This Bulletin establishes a statewide service rate for FMS services, as required by CMS.

DISCUSSION:

Effective January 1, 2011 the initial service rate will be \$277 and the ongoing maintenance rate will be \$85. The service rate for personal assistance services will remain the same.

This Bulletin rescinds the previously issued rate of \$75 for FMS in the "Office of Social Programs' Published Rates by Waiver and Program" published on July 1, 2008.

PROCEDURE:

Effective January 1, 2011 the following procedure code with modifiers and rates are applicable to the FMS monthly service rate for F/EAs providing FMS in the HCBS MA waivers and state programs administered by OLTL:

- W7341 with a U4 modifier (FMS initial service rate), \$277
- W7341 with a U2 modifier (FMS ongoing monthly service fee for Services My Way), \$85
- W7341 (FMS ongoing monthly service fee), \$85

When billing FMS for a **new** participant, the provider must bill Procedure Code W7341 with a U4 modifier on the waiver line of business, the number associated with Provider Type 51, 55, or 59. This will prevent generation of a 1099 on the separate F/EA line of business. The higher initial monthly service rate of \$277 applies **only** to new participants and is only compensable once per lifetime per participant. The higher initial monthly service rate does **not** apply to participants that have been or were previously receiving services in a self-directed model of service. It also does **not** apply to participants that transfer from one F/EA to another.

When billing FMS for an existing participant in the Services My Way model of service, the provider should bill Procedure Code W7341 with a U2 modifier. The ongoing monthly maintenance rate of \$85 applies to participants that are or were previously receiving services in a self-directed model of service. It also applies to participants that transfer from one F/EA to another.

When billing FMS for an existing participant in the Participant-Employer or Participant-Directed PAS model of service, the provider should bill Procedure Code W7341. The ongoing monthly maintenance rate of \$85 applies to participants that are or were previously receiving services in a self-directed model of service. It also applies to participants that transfer from one F/EA to another.

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