



April 2022

Re: Rate Study Implementation

Dear Service Provider:

The Department of Developmental Services (DDS) and the consultants HMA-Burns conducted a comprehensive vendor rate study (ABX 2-1). The rate models established in March 2019 proposed standardized rates within each Regional Center for most services. In February 2022, DDS and HMA-Burns updated the rate models/“benchmark rates” to include the \$15 per hour California minimum wage assumption, an inflation estimate, updated benefits cost, and the IRS mileage rate. For the April 1, 2022 rate adjustment, there are no changes in service code, program design, or billing units (hours, days, etc.); and no rates will be reduced.

The Fiscal Year 2021-2022 DDS Budget included the implementation of the Rate Study (AB 136). The timeline for the AB 136 Rate Adjustment Implementation is as follows:

April 1, 2022

- 25% of difference between March 31, 2022 rate and applicable rate model/“benchmark rate”

July 1, 2023

- 50% of difference between March 31, 2022 rate and applicable rate model/“benchmark rate”

July 1, 2025

- Full implementation of rate models with two payment components
 - Base rate equaling 90% of the rate model/“benchmark rate”
 - Quality incentive program component of up to 10% of the rate model/“benchmark rate”

*Alternative Services Nonresidential monthly rates are not subject to the rate adjustment. Some rates were excluded, such as time-limited and client specific rates.

On the following page(s), please find rate information for your program(s). All previous terms for your vendorization remain in effect. The purpose of this letter is to inform you of the rate adjustment effective April 1, 2022.

Also included in this correspondence, please find the Excel file(s) specific to your program(s) provided by DDS/HMA-Burns. The Excel file includes the service detail and calculations used to determine the adjustment. A document detailing the methodology used to calculate rate increases and other information about the Rate Study Implementation can be found in the Current Providers section of our website: <https://www.harborrc.org/dds-rate-study-implementation>.

If you have any questions, please email ratesquestions@harborrc.org and we will respond.

Thank you.



Harbor Regional Center

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Vendor Name: SAMPLE - PERS ASSIST

Vendor #: P12345

Service Code: 62

Subcode: STAFF

3/31/2022 Rate: \$ 22.26

Unit (hour, day, week, etc.): Hour

Converted Unit Rate (if different from Rate Model Unit): \$ 22.26

Rate Model/Benchmark Rate: \$ 34.89

Rate Model Unit: Hourly

25% Difference Increase Amount: \$ 3.16

4/1/2022 Rate: \$ 25.42

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Vendor Name: SAMPLE - PERS ASSIST

Vendor #: P12345

Service Code: 62

Subcode: STAF2

3/31/2022 Rate: \$ 13.98

Unit (hour, day, week, etc.): Hour

Converted Unit Rate (if different from Rate Model Unit): \$ 13.98

Rate Model/Benchmark Rate: \$ 17.72

Rate Model Unit: Hourly

25% Difference Increase Amount: \$ 0.94

4/1/2022 Rate: \$ 14.92

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Vendor Name: SAMPLE - PERS ASSIST

Vendor #: P12345

Service Code: 62

Subcode: STAF3

3/31/2022 Rate: \$ 11.41

Unit (hour, day, week, etc.): Hour

Converted Unit Rate (if different from Rate Model Unit): \$ 11.41

Rate Model/Benchmark Rate: \$ 11.91

Rate Model Unit: Hourly

25% Difference Increase Amount: \$ 0.13

4/1/2022 Rate: \$ 11.54

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