

**TEXAS HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
COMMISSION
RATE ANALYSIS DEPARTMENT**

July 9, 2019

**Proposed Payment Rates for Deaf-Blind Multiple
Disabilities Waiver (DBMD)**

Payment rates are proposed to be effective September 1, 2019

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED PAYMENT RATES **Effective September 1, 2019**

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will conduct a public hearing at 9:00 a.m. on July 9, 2019, in the Brown-Heatly Building Public Hearing Room, located at 4900 N. Lamar Blvd., Austin, Texas, 78751 to receive comment on proposed Medicaid payment rates for the Deaf-blind with Multiple Disabilities Waiver Program (DBMD) to be effective on September 1, 2019.

HHSC will consider concerns expressed at the hearing prior to final rate approval. This public hearing is held in compliance with the provisions Human Resources Code §32.0282, and the Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Title 1, §355.105(g), which require a public hearing on proposed payment rates.

PROPOSED RATES. HHSC proposes to increase the payment rates for all DBMD services in accordance with the 2020-21 General Appropriation Act, H.B. 1, 86th Legislature, Regular Session, 2019 (Article II, HHSC, Rider 44). These payment rates are proposed to be effective September 1, 2019.

METHODOLGY AND JUSTIFICATION. The proposed payment rates were calculated in accordance with Title 1 of the Texas Administrative Code §355.513, which addresses the reimbursement methodology for the DBMD program.

Please contact the Rate Analysis Department's Customer Information Center at (512) 424-6637 or by email at RAD-LTSS@hhsc.state.tx.us should you have any questions regarding the information in this document.

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PROPOSED PAYMENT RATES EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2019

Service – PROPOSED RATES EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2019	Payment Rate	Percent Increase
Case Management Services	\$40.43	7.47%
Pre-Enrollment Assessment	\$40.43	7.47%
Day Habilitation	See Page 2	
Residential Habilitation	See Page 2	
Respite - In-Home	\$261.15	9.45%
Respite - Out-of-Home	\$258.49	9.45%
Licensed Home Health Assisted Living Services (19-24 Hours)	\$143.65	9.45%
Licensed Assisted Living Services (19-24 Hours)	\$143.65	9.45%
Assisted Living Services (18 Hours or Less)	\$123.89	9.45%
Behavioral Support	\$85.67	7.72%
Chore Services	See Page 3	
Intervener	See Page 4	
Intervener I	\$25.17	16.92%
Intervener II	\$28.31	10.56%
Intervener III	\$31.45	5.94%
Registered Nurse (RN)	\$47.49	9.45%
Specialized RN	\$54.61	9.45%
Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN)	\$31.45	5.93%
Specialized LVN	\$36.17	5.94%
Orientation and Mobility Services	\$78.78	94.18%
Physical Therapy (PT)	\$84.75	9.45%
Occupational Therapy (OT)	\$79.84	9.44%
Speech & Language Therapy (SP)	\$83.50	9.45%
Audiology Services	\$57.71	9.44%
Dietary Services	\$61.77	11.74%
Transition Assistance Services	\$173.24	9.45%
Consumer Directed Services (CDS):		
Financial Management Services (FMS) Fee	\$221.09	9.45%
CDS Consumer Payment Rates:		
Residential Habilitation Services	\$15.30	17.24%
Intervener	\$19.28	24.41%
Intervener I	\$24.17	17.75%
Intervener II	\$27.31	10.99%
Intervener III	\$30.45	6.15%
In-Home Respite (IHR)	\$237.15	10.51%
Out-of-Home Respite (OHR)	\$236.49	5.50%
Support Consultation	\$16.82	9.45%

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Day Habilitation and Residential Habilitation - PROPOSED RATES EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2019	Payment Rate			
	Attendant Cost Area	Administration and Facility Cost Area	Total	Percent Increase
Nonparticipant	\$12.09	\$3.21	\$15.30	10.47%
Participant - Level 1	\$12.14	\$3.21	\$15.35	10.43%
Participant - Level 2	\$12.19	\$3.21	\$15.40	10.39%
Participant - Level 3	\$12.24	\$3.21	\$15.45	10.36%
Participant - Level 4	\$12.29	\$3.21	\$15.50	10.32%
Participant - Level 5	\$12.34	\$3.21	\$15.55	10.28%
Participant - Level 6	\$12.39	\$3.21	\$15.60	10.25%
Participant - Level 7	\$12.44	\$3.21	\$15.65	10.21%
Participant - Level 8	\$12.49	\$3.21	\$15.70	10.18%
Participant - Level 9	\$12.54	\$3.21	\$15.75	10.14%
Participant - Level 10	\$12.59	\$3.21	\$15.80	10.10%
Participant - Level 11	\$12.64	\$3.21	\$15.85	10.07%
Participant - Level 12	\$12.69	\$3.21	\$15.90	10.03%
Participant - Level 13	\$12.74	\$3.21	\$15.95	10.00%
Participant - Level 14	\$12.79	\$3.21	\$16.00	9.97%
Participant - Level 15	\$12.84	\$3.21	\$16.05	9.93%
Participant - Level 16	\$12.89	\$3.21	\$16.10	9.90%
Participant - Level 17	\$12.94	\$3.21	\$16.15	9.86%
Participant - Level 18	\$12.99	\$3.21	\$16.20	9.83%
Participant - Level 19	\$13.04	\$3.21	\$16.25	9.80%
Participant - Level 20	\$13.09	\$3.21	\$16.30	9.76%
Participant - Level 21	\$13.14	\$3.21	\$16.35	9.73%
Participant - Level 22	\$13.19	\$3.21	\$16.40	9.70%
Participant - Level 23	\$13.24	\$3.21	\$16.45	9.67%
Participant - Level 24	\$13.29	\$3.21	\$16.50	9.63%
Participant - Level 25	\$13.34	\$3.21	\$16.55	9.60%
Participant - Level 26	\$13.39	\$3.21	\$16.60	9.57%
Participant - Level 27	\$13.44	\$3.21	\$16.65	9.54%
Participant - Level 28	\$13.49	\$3.21	\$16.70	9.51%
Participant - Level 29	\$13.54	\$3.21	\$16.75	9.48%
Participant - Level 30	\$13.59	\$3.21	\$16.80	9.45%
Participant - Level 31	\$13.64	\$3.21	\$16.85	9.42%
Participant - Level 32	\$13.69	\$3.21	\$16.90	9.39%
Participant - Level 33	\$13.74	\$3.21	\$16.95	9.35%
Participant - Level 34	\$13.79	\$3.21	\$17.00	9.32%
Participant - Level 35	\$13.84	\$3.21	\$17.05	9.29%

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Chore Services - PROPOSED RATES EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2019	Payment Rate			
	Attendant Cost Area	Administration and Facility Cost Area	Total	Percent Increase
Nonparticipant	\$11.18	\$2.34	\$13.52	29.88%
Participant - Level 1	\$11.23	\$2.34	\$13.57	29.73%
Participant - Level 2	\$11.28	\$2.34	\$13.62	29.59%
Participant - Level 3	\$11.33	\$2.34	\$13.67	29.45%
Participant - Level 4	\$11.38	\$2.34	\$13.72	29.31%
Participant - Level 5	\$11.43	\$2.34	\$13.77	29.17%
Participant - Level 6	\$11.48	\$2.34	\$13.82	29.04%
Participant - Level 7	\$11.53	\$2.34	\$13.87	28.90%
Participant - Level 8	\$11.58	\$2.34	\$13.92	28.77%
Participant - Level 9	\$11.63	\$2.34	\$13.97	28.64%
Participant - Level 10	\$11.68	\$2.34	\$14.02	28.51%
Participant - Level 11	\$11.73	\$2.34	\$14.07	28.38%
Participant - Level 12	\$11.78	\$2.34	\$14.12	28.25%
Participant - Level 13	\$11.83	\$2.34	\$14.17	28.12%
Participant - Level 14	\$11.88	\$2.34	\$14.22	27.99%
Participant - Level 15	\$11.93	\$2.34	\$14.27	27.87%
Participant - Level 16	\$11.98	\$2.34	\$14.32	27.74%
Participant - Level 17	\$12.03	\$2.34	\$14.37	27.62%
Participant - Level 18	\$12.08	\$2.34	\$14.42	27.50%
Participant - Level 19	\$12.13	\$2.34	\$14.47	27.38%
Participant - Level 20	\$12.18	\$2.34	\$14.52	27.26%
Participant - Level 21	\$12.23	\$2.34	\$14.57	27.14%
Participant - Level 22	\$12.28	\$2.34	\$14.62	27.02%
Participant - Level 23	\$12.33	\$2.34	\$14.67	26.90%
Participant - Level 24	\$12.38	\$2.34	\$14.72	26.79%
Participant - Level 25	\$12.43	\$2.34	\$14.77	26.67%
Participant - Level 26	\$12.48	\$2.34	\$14.82	26.56%
Participant - Level 27	\$12.53	\$2.34	\$14.87	26.45%
Participant - Level 28	\$12.58	\$2.34	\$14.92	26.33%
Participant - Level 29	\$12.63	\$2.34	\$14.97	26.22%
Participant - Level 30	\$12.68	\$2.34	\$15.02	26.11%
Participant - Level 31	\$12.73	\$2.34	\$15.07	26.00%
Participant - Level 32	\$12.78	\$2.34	\$15.12	25.90%
Participant - Level 33	\$12.83	\$2.34	\$15.17	25.79%
Participant - Level 34	\$12.88	\$2.34	\$15.22	25.68%
Participant - Level 35	\$12.93	\$2.34	\$15.27	25.58%

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Intervener Rates - PROPOSED RATES EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2019	Payment Rate			
	Attendant Cost Area	Administration and Facility Cost Area	Total	Percent Increase
Nonparticipant	\$14.50	\$5.78	\$20.28	24.42%
Participant - Level 1	\$14.55	\$5.78	\$20.33	24.34%
Participant - Level 2	\$14.60	\$5.78	\$20.38	24.27%
Participant - Level 3	\$14.65	\$5.78	\$20.43	24.19%
Participant - Level 4	\$14.70	\$5.78	\$20.48	24.12%
Participant - Level 5	\$14.75	\$5.78	\$20.53	24.05%
Participant - Level 6	\$14.80	\$5.78	\$20.58	23.98%
Participant - Level 7	\$14.85	\$5.78	\$20.63	23.90%
Participant - Level 8	\$14.90	\$5.78	\$20.68	23.83%
Participant - Level 9	\$14.95	\$5.78	\$20.73	23.76%
Participant - Level 10	\$15.00	\$5.78	\$20.78	23.69%
Participant - Level 11	\$15.05	\$5.78	\$20.83	23.62%
Participant - Level 12	\$15.10	\$5.78	\$20.88	23.55%
Participant - Level 13	\$15.15	\$5.78	\$20.93	23.48%
Participant - Level 14	\$15.20	\$5.78	\$20.98	23.41%
Participant - Level 15	\$15.25	\$5.78	\$21.03	23.34%
Participant - Level 16	\$15.30	\$5.78	\$21.08	23.27%
Participant - Level 17	\$15.35	\$5.78	\$21.13	23.21%
Participant - Level 18	\$15.40	\$5.78	\$21.18	23.14%
Participant - Level 19	\$15.45	\$5.78	\$21.23	23.07%
Participant - Level 20	\$15.50	\$5.78	\$21.28	23.01%
Participant - Level 21	\$15.55	\$5.78	\$21.33	22.94%
Participant - Level 22	\$15.60	\$5.78	\$21.38	22.87%
Participant - Level 23	\$15.65	\$5.78	\$21.43	22.81%
Participant - Level 24	\$15.70	\$5.78	\$21.48	22.74%
Participant - Level 25	\$15.75	\$5.78	\$21.53	22.68%
Participant - Level 26	\$15.80	\$5.78	\$21.58	22.61%
Participant - Level 27	\$15.85	\$5.78	\$21.63	22.55%
Participant - Level 28	\$15.90	\$5.78	\$21.68	22.49%
Participant - Level 29	\$15.95	\$5.78	\$21.73	22.42%
Participant - Level 30	\$16.00	\$5.78	\$21.78	22.36%
Participant - Level 31	\$16.05	\$5.78	\$21.83	22.30%
Participant - Level 32	\$16.10	\$5.78	\$21.88	22.23%
Participant - Level 33	\$16.15	\$5.78	\$21.93	22.17%
Participant - Level 34	\$16.20	\$5.78	\$21.98	22.11%
Participant - Level 35	\$16.25	\$5.78	\$22.03	22.05%