



Minnesota Department of Human Services

Bulletin

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#15-25-02C

DATE

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OF INTEREST TO

County Directors

Social Services Supervisors
and Staff

Managed Care
Organizations

Providers

ACTION/DUE DATE

Understand and apply
appropriate rate
methodologies when
authorizing EW, AC and
ECS services.

EXPIRATION DATE

September 8, 2017

Corrected #15-25-02: Rate Methodologies for EW, AC, and ECS Service Authorization

TOPIC

Rate methodologies and rate policies to use when authorizing services under Elderly Waiver (EW), Alternative Care (AC), and Essential Community Supports (ECS) programs.

PURPOSE

Correct information from bulletin #15-25-02 regarding transportation procedure codes.

CONTACT

Submit policy questions through [PolicyQuest](#).

For MMIS data entry questions contact the Disability Service Division (DSD) Resource Center at (651)431-2450, (888) 968-8463 or dhs.resourcecenter@state.mn.us.

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TERMINOLOGY NOTICE

The terminology used to describe people we serve has changed over time. The Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) supports the use of "People First" language.

I. BACKGROUND

Laws of Minnesota 2015, chapter 78, article 6, subdivision 19 removed the condition that waives the Alternative Care fee when the CDCS cost is no greater than the cost of the AC service plan minus the monthly fee amount. It also added a new condition that waives the fee if the person is using CDCS.

II. ROLE OF THE LTC SCREENING DOCUMENT

The AC Fee Waiver Reason field on the LTC screening document form DHS-3427 is used to populate the AC Fee Waiver Reason field on the MMIS ALT6 screen. To support this legislation, a new value 09 was developed called *Person is receiving CDCS*. Also, screening document edit 775 *AC Fee WVR RSN CD is Miss/Inv* was changed to post if:

1. value 07 *CDCS cost is not greater than the AC plan minus the monthly fee amount that would otherwise be assessed* is used when the Activity Type Date field (located in Section A of form DHS-3427 and on the ALT1 MMIS screen) is dated July 1, 2015 or greater; or
2. value 09 is used when the Activity Type Date field is dated prior to July 1, 2015; or
3. value 09 is used when the CDCS Ind field (located in Section F of DHS-3427 and on the MMIS ALT4 screen) equals N or is blank

In order to use value 09, the Activity Type Date must be July 1, 2015 or greater and the CDCS Ind field must be a Y.

III. AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) ADVISORY

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