

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

**Proposed Payment Rates for
Supported Employment in the Community Living Assistance and Support
Services Waiver Program and Employment Assistance and Supported
Employment in the Deaf Blind with Multiple Disabilities Waiver Program**

Effective September 1, 2012

August 3, 2012

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED PAYMENT RATES FOR SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT IN THE COMMUNITY LIVING ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORT SERVICES WAIVER PROGRAM AND EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT IN THE DEAF BLIND WITH MULTIPLE DISABILITIES WAIVER PROGRAM

EFFECTIVE: September 1, 2012

This document contains information relating to proposed payment rates for Supported Employment in the Community Living Assistance and Support Services (CLASS) waiver program and Employment Assistance and Supported Employment in the Deaf Blind with Multiple Disabilities (DBMD) waiver program. Both the CLASS and MDCP waivers are operated by the Department of Aging and Disability Services (DADS).

Currently, the rate for CLASS Supported Employment is a rate ceiling. The Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) proposes to adopt a fixed rate for Supported Employment in CLASS. In addition, HHSC is adding CLASS Supported Employment and DBMD Employment Assistance and Supported Employment to the Attendant Compensation Rate Enhancement program. The proposed rates will be effective September 1, 2012. The proposed rates are provided in Attachment 1.

The proposed base rates were determined in accordance with the rate setting methodologies codified at 1 TAC §355.505, Reimbursement Methodology for the Community Living Assistance and Support Services Waiver Program and §355.513, Reimbursement Methodology for the Deaf-Blind with Multiple Disabilities Waiver Program. The proposed enhancement add-ons were determined in accordance with 1 TAC §355.112, Attendant Compensation Rate Enhancement.

A public hearing will be held to receive public comments on the proposed rate at 9:00 a.m. on August 20, 2012, in the Palo Duro Conference Room, of the Health and Human Services Commission, Braker Center, Building H, located at 11209 Metric Blvd, Austin, Texas. Entry is through Security at the main entrance of the building which faces Metric Boulevard. HHSC will consider concerns expressed at the hearing prior to final rate approval. This public hearing is held in compliance with the provisions of Human Resources Code §32.0282 and Title 1 of the Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §355.105(g), which require a public hearing on proposed payment rates.

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