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MEMORANDUM

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TO: Adult Day Health Care (ADHC) Providers

FROM: Sherlyn Sullivan, OAAS Interim Assistant Secretary 

DATE: August 19, 2020

SUBJECT: Updates to ADHC Providers Regarding Home Delivered Meals and Per Diem Payment for ADHC Health Status Monitoring

This memorandum is to inform Adult Day Health Care (ADHC) providers that the Office of Aging and Adult Services (OAAS) has been approved by the federal government to allow ADHC providers to receive Medicaid payments for Home Delivered Meals and Health Status Monitoring due to the COVID-19 emergency and the continuation of the ADHC center closures.

Effective immediately, ADHC providers may begin billing for these services. Below are the specific billing guidelines:

Home Delivered Meals Under the ADHC Waiver ONLY:

- ADHC providers are now listed as a Home Delivered Meals provider type under the **ADHC Waiver ONLY**.
- ADHC providers who are delivering meals should contact the ADHC Waiver participant's support coordinator and request a Plan of Care (POC) Revision. The support coordinator will verify this request with the participant and document this accordingly on the Support Coordination Documentation (SCD) form. The POC Revision should identify the number of meals provided per day and per week by the ADHC provider. For ADHC providers who have been delivering meals, the POC Revision may be retroactive to Tuesday, July 7, 2020.

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- POC Revisions must be completed by the SC as soon as possible and must be completed within two (2) weeks of notification/request by the ADHC provider.
- The procedure code for Home Delivered Meals is S5170 and billing must be performed through DXC. ADHC providers should use their current ADHC provider number to bill for this service.
- Meals may be provided to participants up to twice a day for no more than 7 days a week at a rate of no more than \$7.00 per meal. Please note that once ADHC centers are allowed to re-open, ADHC providers **will not** be able to bill for Home Delivered Meals on days that the participant attends the ADHC in person.
- ADHC Waiver participants may receive meals from both the ADHC provider and another authorized Home Delivered Meal provider, as long as they do not exceed the limits stated above.
- In providing home delivered meals, ADHC providers must follow: Guidance for Home Delivered Meals-Prepared in the ADHC center's Kitchen and Delivered by ADHC Personnel or Volunteers

ADHC Health Status Monitoring Per Diem Under the ADHC Waiver and Community Choices Waiver (CCW):

- ADHC providers may begin billing a per diem for Health Status Monitoring retroactive to Monday, August 17, 2020 for participants under both the ADHC Waiver and the Community Choices Waiver (CCW). A Plan of Care (POC) Revision **is not needed** for ADHC providers to begin delivering and billing for this service.
- The procedure code for this new service is S5102. The same Prior Authorization (PA) number used for S5100 (ADHC center-based services) will be used for S5102 (ADHC Health Status Monitoring Per Diem).
- This per diem rate is \$47.35.
- In order for ADHC providers to bill this per diem, they must complete the following:
 - Make contact* **every other day (including weekends)** to determine if the participant:

*Contact may be via telephone, secure video or conferencing platform, or at the participant's home. Video and/or conferencing

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software must comply with CMS guidance for use of such technology during the current public health emergency.

- Has enough food and fluids;
 - Has access to and is taking his/her prescribed medications; and
 - Has essential supplies.
- Provide follow-up on any need identified during the telephone contact.
 - Remind participants to contact their doctor if they do not feel well.
 - Document the actual times (Example: 8:00 a.m. - 8:15 a.m.) of this contact in the LaSRS, Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) system using “ADHC Health” for the service type.
 - Record details of this contact in the participant’s progress notes that are part of the participant’s record that is kept by the ADHC provider.
- ADHC providers should contact participants every other day. Providers will be limited to 4 contacts/encounters per week with a maximum of 16 contacts/encounters per month.

NOTE: Once the ADHC centers re-open, participants will be limited to 5 contacts/encounters or total days listed on the participants’ Plan of Care (POC). An encounter is either the Health Status Monitoring OR the participant attending the ADHC center in person. ADHC providers may only bill for one encounter per day (Health Status Monitoring Per Diem rate OR regular ADHC center-based service rate).

- ADHC providers must use the LaSRS, EVV system in order for SRI to release a billing unit.
- ADHC providers may bill for Health Status Monitoring Per Diem and Home Delivered Meals on the same day.
- Once the ADHC centers re-open, ADHC providers must contact the participant’s support coordinator and request a POC Revision for the participant. This POC Revision will need to indicate the specific days for when the participant attends the ADHC in person or the ADHC provider conducts Health Status Monitoring.

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