

STATE OF LOUISIANA

PAYMENTS FOR MEDICAL AND REMEDIAL CARE AND SERVICES

METHODS AND STANDARDS FOR ESTABLISHING PAYMENT RATES – INTERMEDIATE CARE  
FACILITY SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES

**Temporary Add-on Payment to Retain and Hire Direct Care Staff**

The Department will pay a \$12 direct care add-on to private (non-state) owned intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities (ICF/IID) for increased cost related to retaining and hiring direct care staff.

Methodology

1. The base year used in the June ~~2022~~2023 UPL demonstration includes costs reports for the year which ended June 30, ~~2020~~2021. The June 30, ~~2020~~2021 cost reports are the most current audited/desk reviewed available.
2. Each add-on payment requires documentation that effective April 1, 2022, the minimum hourly wage paid to directly employ (non-contracted) non-nursing/physician direct care staff was \$9 per hour.
3. The payments will be made from ~~May 12, 2023~~ July 1, 2024 through June 30, ~~2024~~2025, at an estimated total cost of ~~\$19,762,710~~ \$14,968,032.