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NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP

Rate Increases for Personal Care Services for Nevada Medicaid Home and Community Based Services (HCBS)

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Date and Time of Meeting: September 26, 2023, at 1:00 PM

Name of Organization: The State of Nevada, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFTP)

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Agenda

1. Presentation and public comment
 - a. As a result of the 82nd 2023 Nevada Legislative Session, rate increases were approved for certain Nevada Medicaid Home and Community Based Services (HCBS) providers under the Personal Care Services (PCS), Frail Elderly (FE) Waiver and Persons with Physical Disabilities (PD) Waiver Programs. These changes will be effective January 1, 2024.
 1. Certain services under Medicaid Provider Types (PT) 30, 48, 58, and 83 were increased to \$25 per hour for the provision of the following services: PCS and “PCS like services” such as Homemaker, Respite, Adult Companion and Attendant Care.
 2. An increased rate for Augmented Personal Care Services provided in a Residential Facilities for Group enrolled as Medicaid PT 57 and Assisted Living Facilities PT59.
 - b. Approved Senate Bill (SB) 511 allows the DHCFP to mandate that at least \$16 of the \$25 per hour reimbursement rate received by Medicaid providers must be passed directly to the direct care workers. Providers must sign an attestation agreeing to the minimum wage requirement above. In the event a provider does not comply, corrective action may be taken up to and including reimbursing providers at the previous rates in effect December 31, 2023.
 - c. Public comment regarding subject matter.
2. Public comment regarding any other issue
3. Adjournment

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