

Monthly Community Habilitation

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New Service Option

- As individual's move beyond services in the home, "Comprehensive" residential habilitation does not encompass the entire array of services that an individual may receive.
- Community Habilitation is an already existing approved waiver service.
- Delivers partially on the promise of Community Habilitation being available to individuals in certified residences.

Design Concept

- Develop second phase of Community Habilitation.
- Eliminate some of the barriers that govern residential habilitation and day habilitation (e.g. start day hab before 3pm).
- Have a single set of payment and program standards.
- Consolidate the rate setting methodology for certified supervised residential settings and group day habilitation (monthly unit of service).

Design Concept cont.

- It is an individual's choice to receive Community Habilitation or to continue to receive the discrete day habilitation and residential habilitation services.
- Individuals who receive SEMP or prevocational services and also receive residential habilitation and day habilitation will continue to receive all these services as separate components.
- Provide expectations on community integration and inclusion to safeguard against isolation.

Purpose of Monthly CH

- Allow for greater choice and flexibility for meaningful community integration opportunities.
- Streamline documentation and create efficiencies in administration and billing for agencies that provide day and residential habilitation services.
- Establish one rate that encompasses residential and day habilitation supports.

Individual Outcomes

- Provide the individual with greater choice and flexibility for meaningful community integration opportunities and activities.
- Increase an individual's ability to vary his/her schedule of activities based on the individual's wants and needs.

Provider Outcomes

- Establish greater efficiency in service delivery and staff deployment.
- Streamline documentation and efficiency in administration and billing.
- Create increased ability of providers to design and deliver more innovative and person-centered habilitation services for individuals.

OPWDD Outcomes

- Promote highest quality cost-effective services.
- Eliminate barriers to innovation and promote individualized and flexible service delivery opportunities.

Price Calculation

- Monthly Community Habilitation will be revenue neutral to providers and cost neutral to OPWDD.
- A provider's monthly Community Habilitation price will be an aggregate of that provider's agency specific Supervised IRA and Group Day Habilitation prices.
- A provider's agency specific Supervised IRA and Group Day Habilitation prices will not change as a result of implementation of Monthly Community Habilitation.

Current Status

- Regulations published on 9/27/11 to allow for a January 1, 2012 effective date.
- OPWDD is working with DOH to ensure that the necessary systems changes are put into place to allow for appropriate billing of Monthly Community Habilitation.
- On 9/8/11, a draft of the Habilitation Plan Administrative Memorandum was shared with providers for feedback. Once finalized, the ADM will be published online.