

Agency for Persons with Disabilities
Procedures for Payment of Residential Habilitation Services
Gross Adjustments
January 1, 2008 through March 31, 2008

Effective January 1, 2008, the Agency for Health Care Administration in conjunction with the Agency for Persons with Disabilities promulgated Emergency Rule 59GER07-5 that increased rates in the Provider Rate Table for Residential Habilitation in a Licensed Facility from the residential habilitation rates that went into effect on December 1, 2007. This 1/1/08 Emergency Rule and the corresponding rate increase will be effective from January 1, 2008 through March 31, 2008.

In order to implement the increased rates in the most expeditious manner the following provides information and instructions to Area Office staff and Residential Habilitation providers for billing for services provided from January 1, 2008 through March 31, 2008.

1. The rate adjustment applies only to service authorizations for Residential Habilitation Standard and Behavior Focus.
2. Providers shall continue to bill using the 12/1/07 monthly rates as reflected in the individual's current cost plans and the provider's authorization for services. A supplemental payment will be made to the provider, reflecting the difference from the December 1, 2007 rates and the January 1, 2008 rates identified in Emergency Rule 59GER07-5.
3. For Residential Habilitation Services provided between January 1, 2008 through March 31, 2008, all eligible residential habilitation providers will receive a rate adjustment as a monthly supplemental payment. The supplemental payment will be the difference between the 12/1/07 rates and the 1/1/08 rates identified in the emergency rule. Emergency Rule 59GER07-5 contains Residential Habilitation rates that are effective from January 1, 2008 through March 31, 2008. This rule is posted on the ACS web site at <http://floridamedicaid.acs-inc.com/index.jsp> Select Provider Support, then Fees. Attached for reference are the rates that were effective 12/1/07. The 12/1/07 rates should currently be in the cost plans for individuals receiving this service and should be reflected in the service authorizations received by providers.
4. Providers are encouraged to bill as soon as possible for the months' services in order to expedite receipt of the supplemental payment. Providers billing the monthly rate identified in the 12/1/07 rate table and service authorization may bill as soon as an individual reaches 24 days attendance for the service.
5. The supplemental payment reflecting the increase in rate will be received by the provider before the end of the month following the month when the service was provided, billed and paid. (For example, services provided in January 2008 and billed and paid by the end of January, will receive a

- supplemental payment reflecting the difference between the 12/1/07 rates and the 1/1/08 rates before the end of February, if billing occurs timely.)
- Adjustments to claims will generate corresponding adjustments to supplemental payments.
 - Supplemental payments will be reflected on the providers remittance voucher for payment tracking purposes.
6. AHCA will process supplemental payments for the increased rate monthly for up to six (6) months. After June 2008 supplemental payments for any late billing and payments made for services provided from January through March 2008 will be processed on a quarterly basis.
 7. Area APD staff will not make adjustments to existing service plans to reflect the January 1, 2008 Emergency Rule 59GER07-5 as the rate adjustments will be made through supplemental payments when providers bill at the currently approved 12/1/07 rate.
 8. If an individual requires a new or different residential habilitation level, the request and appropriate information must be sent through the standard Prior Service Authorization process so that medical necessity determinations can be made. Revisions will be based on the rates that appear in the December 1, 2007 rate table with an adjustment and supplemental payment as described above.

Communication of Information

Area APD offices will share this information with all providers of residential habilitation services provided in a licensed facility and conference with providers who have questions regarding the billing and gross adjustments process. The information will also be provided to provider associations and posted on the APD web site. If an outside billing agency is used, providers should share this information with their agent to assure accurate billing.

For questions regarding supplemental payments, please contact the APD Area office where services are provided.

**Attachment 1
For Reference Only**

The following Procedure Codes for Residential Habilitation (day) services will be used for authorizing services and for billing purposes as follows:

<u>Daily</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	
H0043 U6 SC	T2023 U6	Standard geographic and non-geographic
T2020 U6	T2023 U6 SC	Behavior Focus geographic and non-geographic

The procedure codes and rates for Residential Habilitation Live-in and quarter hour are not affected by these revisions.

**Provider Rate Table
Residential Habilitation Services in a Licensed Facility
Effective December 1, 2007**

Residential Habilitation Services Daily - Monthly Rates								
Rate for Level of Supports	Without Geographic Factor				With Geographic Factor*			
	Standard Program		Behavior Focus**		Standard Program		Behavior Focus**	
	Daily Rate	Monthly Rate	Daily Rate	Monthly Rate	Daily Rate	Monthly Rate	Daily Rate	Monthly Rate
Basic (formerly 1 – 3 hrs/day)	\$39.66	\$1,156.75	Not Available	Not Available	\$41.44	\$1,208.67	Not Available	Not Available
Minimal (Formerly 4 – 6 hrs/day)	\$79.25	\$2,311.46	\$84.02	\$2,450.58	\$82.82	\$2,415.58	\$87.80	\$2,560.83
Moderate (Formerly 7 – 9 hrs/day)	\$118.92	\$3,468.50	\$126.08	\$3,677.33	\$124.27	\$3,624.54	\$131.75	\$3,842.71
Extensive (Formerly 10 – 12 hrs/day)	\$159.96	\$4,665.50	\$169.59	\$4,946.38	\$167.16	\$4,875.50	\$177.23	\$5,169.21
Intensive I (Formerly 13 or more hrs/day)	\$210.15	\$6,129.38	\$222.80	\$6,498.33	\$219.61	\$6,405.29	\$232.83	\$6,790.88