

Developmental Disability Providers Cost & Wage Survey Announcement of Upcoming Survey

Dear Provider of Medicaid Waiver Developmental Disability Services,

The Wyoming Department of Health (WDH), Division of Healthcare Financing (DHCF), will be conducting a survey of provider costs and wages to support the rate rebasing study for developmental disability services provided under the State's Comprehensive and Supports Medicaid (DD) waivers. This study is being conducted to (1) develop a recommended rate model for waiver services, and (2) inform potential legislative action for the 2025 State Legislative Session.

Purpose and Participation Expectations:

DHCF is required by WY Stat §42-4-120(g) to rebase provider rates every two to four years for the DD waiver programs. Chapter 45, Section 11(c) of the Department of Health's Medicaid Rules establishes that, upon request, providers shall submit cost data, claims data, and participant needs assessment data to the Division.

Additionally, completion of this survey is your opportunity to provide important information to DHCF and the State Legislature regarding provider costs and wages. A strong provider response is critical to the development of rebased rates and to assess funding for these important services.

Timeframe:

DHCF anticipates emailing you the survey and instructions on Monday, December 11th with a **deadline of Friday**, January 26th for submission of the survey.

Survey Scope:

Note that there are two different versions of the survey available to accommodate the various types of agencies:

- "Full" Cost and Wage Survey for providers with Medicaid revenues of \$1 million or more in state fiscal year (SFY) 2023
- "Short" Cost and Wage Survey for providers with Medicaid revenues under \$1 million in SFY 2023, or for independent providers with any Medicaid revenues

Please note that providers who do not designate wage rates (i.e., providers who do not have a business tax identification number or used their social security number as a business tax identification number) **are included** in this study and **should participate** in the provider surveys.

Training and Support:

Guidehouse, WDH's contractor for this project, will conduct trainings on the cost and wage surveys and will be available via email and phone to answer questions. A recording of the training will be posted, however we encourage you to please plan to attend one of the following trainings to ask questions live:

- Wednesday, December 13th from 2:00 to 3:00 pm
- Friday, December 15th from 11:00 am to 12:00 pm



Please visit the survey website for additional information on this project: <u>https://health.wyo.gov/healthcarefin/hcbs/hcbs-public-notices/</u>.

If you have any questions prior to the survey release, please contact Matthew Crandall from DHCF at <u>matthew.crandall2@wyo.gov</u> or Guidehouse at <u>wyratestudy@guidehouse.com</u>. We thank you in advance for your participation in this important survey.