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## TEMPORARY MEDICAID RATE INCREASE CONTINUED

**Attention: Medicaid Contracted Providers** 

This letter is sent on behalf of the ALTSA Home and Community Services Division.

In light of the unprecedented emergency circumstances associated with the COVID-19 pandemic, the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS), will be continuing the temporary rate increase to Adult Family Homes (AFH), Assisted Living Facilities (ALF), and Enhanced Services Facilities (ESF) serving residents whose care is paid by Medicaid. The temporary rate increase will continue to be available through March 31, 2022. The temporary rate increase is:

- For AFHs, an additional rate of \$13.96/Day.
- For ALFs, an additional rate of \$4.79/Day, including Specialized Dementia Care.
- For ESFs, an additional rate of \$54.66/Day.

The additional rate increase applies to all AFH and ALF contract types, including specialty contracts.

This pandemic-related additional rate appears as a separate line. This additional rate will be available until March 31, 2022.

For extended services codes and enhanced rates for Medicaid Providers, reference HCS Management Bulletin <u>H21-103</u>.

For questions regarding this process, please contact Natalie Lehl for AFHs and ALFs and Sandy Spiegelberg for ESFs.

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Sincerely,

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