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	Purpose:	Educate providers the Medicaid Provider Minimum Wage Supplemental Wage Agreement
	Subject:	Medicaid Provider Minimum Wage Supplemental Wage Agreement
	Products:	MMA, LTC, FHK
	From:	<u>Provider Relations</u>

Aetna Better Health® of Florida Medicaid Provider Minimum Wage Supplemental Wage Agreement

Dear Provider,

Aetna Better Health of Florida (ABHFL) would like to inform you that as of June 2, 2022, Governor Ron DeSantis signed the Freedom First budget for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2022-2023. The Freedom First Budget provided over \$600 million in funding to the Agency for Health Care Administration (Agency or AHCA) for the sole purpose of increasing the minimum wage for employees of Medicaid providers to at least \$15.00 an hour.

To distribute the funds appropriated for the Medicaid provider minimum wage requirement, AHCA has been directed to increase Medicaid managed care reimbursement rates and certain Medicaid fee-for-service fee schedules.

The funds appropriated to support the \$15.00 minimum wage will be applied to the Medicaid Fee-for-Service Fee Schedules are listed below. All fee schedules will be updated by October 1, 2022. The increases for Nursing Homes, Federally Qualified Health Centers and Rural Health Clinic rates will be effective October 1, 2022. All other Fee Schedule increases related to the minimum wage will be complete by October 1, 2022, and retroactively effective to July 1, 2022.

Medicaid Fee-For-Service Fee Schedules Receiving an Increase:

- Assistive Care Services Fee Schedule
- Behavioral Health Overlay Services
- Birthing Center Fee Schedule
- Child Health Targeted Case Management Services Fee Schedule
- Community Behavioral Health Services
- Dental Fee Schedule
- Hearing Services Fee Schedule
- Home Health Visit Services Fee Schedule
- Licensed Midwives Fee Schedule
- Medical Foster Care Services Fee Schedule
- Mental Health Targeted Case Management Services Fee Schedule
- Occupational Therapy Services Fee Schedule

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- Personal Care Services Fee Schedule
- Physical Therapy Fee schedule
- Practitioner Fee Schedule
- Practitioner Laboratory Fee Schedule
- Prescribed Pediatric Extended Care Services Fee Schedule
- Private Duty Nursing Services Fee Schedule
- Radiology Fee Schedule
- Respiratory Therapy Services Fee Schedule
- Specialized Therapeutic Services
- Speech-Language Pathology Services Fee Schedule
- Transportation Services Fee Schedule
- Visual Services Fee Schedule
- FQHC/RHC Rates
- Hospice Room & Board Rates and Level of Care
- Hospital and ASC Inpatient and Outpatient Services Fee-for-Service Rates
- ICF/IID Fee-for-Service Rates
- Nursing Home Fee-for-Service Rates

The Agency is also required to enter into a supplemental wage agreement with each impacted Medicaid Provider by October 1, 2022, to ensure compliance with the minimum wage requirements.

DEADLINE FOR SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT IS OCTOBER 1: This is a reminder that the deadline to enter into a supplemental wage agreement with the Agency is October 1, 2022

Updated Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs): The updated FAQs can be found on the AHCA website

- https://ahca.myflorida.com/Medicaid/Finance/finance/enh_wage/ew_faq.shtml

Additional information regarding the Medicaid Minimum Wage Site:

- https://ahca.myflorida.com/Medicaid/Finance/finance/enh_wage/index.shtml#

Thank you for your continued participation in the Aetna Better Health of Florida network. Please contact our Provider Services line should you have any questions at:

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LTC: 1-844-645-7371

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Thank you,

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