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# Montana Health Care Programs Notice

## Home Support Services (HSS), Therapeutic Foster Care (TFC), and Therapeutic Foster Care—Permanency (TFC—P), and Mental Health Center Providers

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**Effective August 5, 2013**

### Home Support Services Billing Clarification

Effective August 5, 2013, the claims payment system will not allow more than one unit of service per day for the following:

- Home Support Services (HSS) – procedure code H2020
- Therapeutic Foster Care (TFC) – procedure code S5145 HR
- Therapeutic Foster Care – Permanency (TFC – P) – procedure code S5145 HE

The Department reviews utilization of services reimbursed by Medicaid. Analysis identified that HSS/TFC/TFC-P codes did not deny additional units billed for the same date of service. Medicaid claims showed payment for multiple units or days of service on one day.

Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM) 37.87.1401, (3) states: “HSS and TFC providers are reimbursed a daily or patient day rate. Patient day means a whole 24-hour period that a youth is present and receiving HSS or TFC services. Even though a youth may not be present for a whole 24-hour period, the day of admission is a patient day. The day of discharge is not a patient day.”

If you are a provider of HSS/TFC/TFC-P services and need to correct or adjust billing, see the *General Information for Providers* manual on any provider type page of the Provider Information [website](#). You must first accept the End User Agreement. See the Remittance Advices and Adjustments chapter for instructions on adjusting prior billing.

### Contact Information

If you have any questions, please contact Jamie Olsen Stolte, Children’s Mental Health Bureau, at [jstolte@mt.gov](mailto:jstolte@mt.gov) or 406.444.7392.

For claims questions or additional information, contact Provider Relations at 1.800.624.3958 (toll-free, in/out of state) or 406.442.1837 (Helena) or via e-mail at [MTPRHelpdesk@xerox.com](mailto:MTPRHelpdesk@xerox.com).

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