



# MONTANA HEALTHCARE PROGRAMS NOTICE

**July 12, 2023**

## **Developmental Disabilities Program (DDP) Providers**

**Effective July 1, 2023**

### **Provider Rate Increases for DDP**

On June 14, Governor Gianforte signed House Bill 2, which contains \$339 million in rate increases for Medicaid providers over the next two years. The budget delivers historic Medicaid provider rate increases, providing stability to healthcare providers and expanding access to services.

Rate increases are required to be incorporated into administrative rule, per the Montana Administrative Procedure Act. The [Administrative Rule Process](#) includes filing with the Secretary of State, providing notice to the public, holding a public hearing, and allowing public comment before the rules can be finalized.

The Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS) has moved as quickly as possible through the established rulemaking process. Rules for the DDP Waiver were filed with the Secretary of State on July 11.

The **proposed rules** will be published on July 21 under the [Information/Proposal Notices section on the DPHHS Administrative Rules webpage](#). The July 21 posting will include information about the rate increases, the date and time of the public meeting, and when the public comment period ends.

In addition, the **proposed rates** will be published on July 21 on the [Proposed Fee Schedules page of the Provider Information website](#).

Provider rates cannot be loaded into the claims processing system until the rules are finalized. DPHHS will be notifying providers in the coming weeks regarding claims already paid with a date of service from July 1, 2023 forward, and reimbursement for the difference between the current rate and new rate.

### **Contact and Website Information**

If you have questions, please contact:

- Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities Division, (406) 444-3964

For claims questions or additional information, contact Montana Provider Relations at (800) 624-3958 or (406) 442-1837 or email [Montana Provider Relations Helpdesk](#).

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