

Global Commitment Register

June 30, 2022

GCR 22-070 PROPOSED

<u>Developmental Disabilities Program Home-and Community-Based</u> <u>Services Payment Update</u>

Policy Summary:

The Vermont Medicaid program proposes to increase funding by 8% for Home- and Community-Based Services (HCBS) delivered under the Developmental Disabilities Services program. The funding increase will apply to the following services:

- Service Coordination
- Community Supports
- Employment Supports
- Respite
- Clinical Services
- Individual Crisis Services
- Home Supports
- Transportation
- Supportive Services

This funding increase is part of the State Fiscal Year 2023 budget appropriation from the Vermont State Legislature, which is meant to assist with workforce stability and support enhanced reporting capabilities that are necessary to ensure quality of services and access to care.

This significant funding increase provides an opportunity to advance the Developmental Disabilities Services System of Care, and as a result, and the Agency of Human Services (AHS) intends to engage with stakeholders over the next six months to implement a value-base purchasing (VBP) component for these services in the first quarter of 2023. It is AHS's intention to implement a VBP component which would utilize 2% of the overall 8% funding increase to advance System of Care goals.

Effective Date:

July 1, 2022



Authority/Legal Basis:

Global Commitment to Health Waiver: Waiver authority #5 [Section 1902(a)(13), 1902(a)(30)]; Special Term and Condition #6.8.

Act 185 of the 2022 Legislative Session

Population Affected:

Individuals in the Developmental Disabilities Services Program

Fiscal Impact:

The estimated gross annualized budget impact is \$22,500,000.

Public Comment Period:

June 30, 2022 – August 1, 2022

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