



State of Vermont
Agency of Human Services
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Global Commitment Register

June 30, 2023

GCR 23-096
PROPOSED

Private Nonmedical Institution Reimbursement

Policy Summary:

The Vermont Medicaid program proposes to incorporate an adjustment for inflation into the per diem Medicaid rates for private nonmedical institutions (PNMIs). PNMIs provide residential treatment to Vermont children with special needs. PNMIs are reimbursed for this treatment by a per diem rate that is set prospectively based on each provider's historic costs. The incorporation of an inflation adjustment allows PNMI providers to receive more stable funding, to be able to provide higher quality services, and to pay staff competitive wages.

The Division of Rate Setting amended its rule that establishes the per diem Medicaid rate-setting process for PNMIs to incorporate this adjustment for inflation (see [GCR 23-026](#)).

Effective Date:

July 1, 2023

Authority/Legal Basis:

[Medicaid State Plan](#)

This change is being done through Global Commitment to Health waiver authority, where DVHA may establish rates with providers on an individual or class basis without regard to the rates currently set forth in the approved State Plan.

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

Population Affected:

Medicaid beneficiaries who receive services in a PNMI.

Fiscal Impact:

The estimated gross annualized budget impact is \$1,426,475.

Public Comment Period:

June 30, 2023 – July 31, 2023

Send comments to:

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Additional Information:

The draft Global Commitment Amended State Plan page provides additional details on the proposed changes; copies of the draft page can be requested from local Department for Children and Families (DCF) offices or from DVHA at (802) 355-8843, or can be found on [Agency of Human Services website](#).