

Global Commitment Register

October 2, 2023

GCR 23-056 FINAL

Sustained Family Support Home Visiting: Parents As Teachers

Policy Summary:

The Vermont Medicaid program established the Sustained Family Support Home Visiting Program using the evidence-based home visiting model, *Parents as Teachers* (PAT). The PAT program is part of a continuum of home visiting services that includes Children's Integrated Services (CIS) home visiting, with three connected tiers of home visiting: Universal, Responsive, and Sustained. In partnership with the Department of Children and Families, the Vermont Department of Health's Maternal and Child Health Division administers the program.

The population served will be Medicaid-eligible pregnant and parenting people, infants, and children through five years of age. PAT services will be reimbursed at a Per Member Per Month case rate of \$583.89. This rate was derived from a review of PAT evidence-based standards and practices combined with 2022 Bureau of Labor Statistics wage and salary data.

This was submitted to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services as State Plan Amendment #23-0007.

Effective Date:

July 1, 2023

Authority/Legal Basis:

Medicaid State Plan

The reimbursement policy above is established 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:

All Medicaid

Fiscal Impact:

The estimated gross annualized budget impact is \$2,143,080.



Public Comment Period:

The public comment period ended on June 30, 2023. No comments were received.

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Additional Information:

The following State Plan page was amended:

• Attachment 4.19-B page 6f

Click here for the Medicaid State Plan on the AHS website.

The draft SPA provides additional details on the proposed changes; copies of the draft SPA can be requested from local Department for Children and Families (DCF) offices or from DVHA at (802) 355-8843, or can be found on the <u>Agency of Human Services website</u>.

