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# Global Commitment Register

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## **RBRVS Fee Schedule Update**

### **Policy Summary:**

The Vermont Medicaid program updated its reimbursement methodology for Resource-Based Relative Value Scale (RBRVS) payments, including changes to the primary care conversion factor and the standard conversion factor.

The standard conversion factor increased by 3.8% to allow for the Medicare Economic Index (MEI) inflation factor and the primary care conversion factor increased from 100% to 110% of Medicare's physician fee schedule. For dates of service on or after July 1, 2023, the standard conversion factor increased from \$28.30 to \$29.38. The primary care conversion factor increased from \$33.89 to \$37.28. This increased funding is part of the State Fiscal Year 2024 budget appropriation from the Vermont State Legislature.

### **Effective Date:**

July 1, 2023

### **Authority/Legal Basis:**

[Medicaid State Plan](#)

State Fiscal Year 2024 Appropriations Act ([H.494 of 2023](#))

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:**

All Medicaid

### **Fiscal Impact:**

The estimated gross annualized budget impact is \$5,559,641.

**Public Comment Period:**

The public comment period ended July 31, 2023. [Comment received and state response can be viewed here.](#)

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**Additional Information:**

The following State Plan page was amended:

- Attachment 4.19-B page 10

The [Medicaid State Plan](#) can be found on the Agency of Human Services website.