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NOTICE

Medicaid Transformation Project (MTP) Medical Respite Care methodology under Health-Related Social Needs (HRSN) program

Effective Date: January 1, 2025

The Health Care Authority (HCA) intends to submit a rate methodology for Medical Respite Care (MRC) under Medicaid Transformation Project (MTP 2.0 – section 1115 waiver). MRC services provide post-acute care for people experiencing homelessness who are too ill or frail to recover from a physical illness or injury while living on the streets, but who no longer require a hospital stay.

MRC services are expected to **increase** the annual aggregate expenditures for providers by approximately \$6 million under MTP 2.0. Providers will be able to access Medicaid waiver funds to provide MRC services.

The MRC fee schedule is available for review at <u>https://www.hca.wa.gov/assets/program/Medical-</u> <u>Respite-Care-fee-shedule.pdf</u>. HCA welcomes interested parties to submit comments and concerns about the rate methodology and/or the effects **no later than Monday**, **December 20**, **2024**. Note: All comments are subject to public review and disclosure, as are the names of those who comment.

Please submit comments and concerns to:

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