



## **Division of Specialized Care for Children**

### **Provider Notice**

Date: Jan. 28, 2025

Dear Children's Community-Based Health Center,

As discussed in the [Provider Notice we posted on Jan. 22, 2025](#), the rate increase that was legislatively approved for Jan. 1, 2025, has still not received all of the needed Federal approvals to be implemented. After hearing feedback from numerous nursing agencies, also considering the impact of the new DSCC claims software, and the uncertain approval time, we have discussed a plan with HFS to resume payments at the 2024 approved rates.

#### **What does this mean for you?**

Effective immediately, you may begin billing for 2025 services. However, it is imperative that all claims are billed using the 2024 rates. Claims submitted with the incorrect rates will be denied. Services are to be billed at and will be paid at the 2024 rates. DSCC will work as quickly as possible to issue payments backlogged from this timeframe.

Please ensure that all claims include the rates listed below. Adhering to this requirement will help prevent delays or denials in claim processing.

- Respite out-of-home rate \$54 an hour.
- Transitional care rate \$950 per day.

Please note that upon the approval of the 2025 rates, we will notify you when you can submit with the new rates.

DSCC is happy to assist with any questions you may have. Please contact your DSCC Nursing Agency Liaison or the DSCC Claims Department contact at [DSCCClaimsServices@uic.edu](mailto:DSCCClaimsServices@uic.edu). We thank you for your continued service to the participants of the Home Care Program.