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TO: Home Health Agencies and Homemaker Agencies Providing Personal Care Assistant (PCA) and Homemaker Services in Waiver Programs or Private Duty Nursing (PDN) Services in Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) and Waiver Programs

SUBJECT: Rate Increase for PCA, Homemaker, and PDN Services

EFFECTIVE: For PCA, Homemaker and PDN Service Dates on or after July 1, 2000

PURPOSE: This Newsletter announces an increase in Medicaid rates.

BACKGROUND: The State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2001 Appropriations Act (P.L. 2000, c. 53) appropriated \$4.6 million (Federal and State share combined) to support an increase in Medicaid and NJ KidCare-Plan A fee-for-service (FFS) reimbursement for PCA services, Homemaker services and PDN services. This will be consistent with our intent to bring parity to the reimbursement rates in the home and community-based services waiver programs for PCA and Homemaker services with the regular Medicaid program. It will also increase the rates for PDN services available through EPSDT and the home and community-based services waiver programs.

ACTION: The Division is increasing Medicaid maximum fee allowances for 24 covered home care services. These fee increases are effective for claims with service dates on or after July 1, 2000 for procedure codes used when billing for beneficiaries served through (1) the EPSDT program, (2) the Home and Community-Based Services Waiver for medically fragile children under supervision of the Division of Youth and Family Services (the ABC Waiver), (3) the AIDS Community Care Alternative Program (the ACCAP Wavier), (4) the third Home and Community Based Services Model Waiver for blind of disabled children and adults (MW3), and (5) the Home and Community Based Services Waiver for survivors of traumatic brain injuries (the TBI Waiver). The attachment describes those services affected by the fee increases.

<u>PROCEDURE CODE</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE</u>
Y7334	Individual Homemaker (ABC) per hour/weekday	\$14.50
Z1200	Individual Homemaker (CCPED/HCEP) per hour/weekday	\$14.50
Y7444	Individual Personal Care (TBI) per hour/weekday	\$14.50
Z1820	Individual Personal Care (ACCAP) per hour/weekday	\$14.50
Z1821	Individual Personal Care (ACCAP) per half-hour/weekday	\$ 7.25
Y7347	RN Private Duty Nursing (ABC) per hour weekday	\$35.00
Y7348	RN Private Duty Nursing (ABC) per hour weekend/holiday	\$35.00
Y7349	Specialty RN Private Duty Nursing (ABC) per hour/weekday	\$40.00
Y7353	Specialty RN Private Duty Nursing (ABC) per hour/weekend/holiday	\$40.00
Y7354	LPN Private Duty Nursing (ABC) per hour/weekday	\$23.00
Y7355	LPN Private Duty Nursing (ABC) per hour/weekend/holiday	\$23.00
Y7356	Specialty LPN Private Duty Nursing (ABC) per hour/weekday	\$28.00
Y7357	Specialty LPN Private Duty Nursing (ABC) per hour/weekend/holiday	\$28.00
Z1710	RN Private Duty Nursing (ACCAP/MW3) per hour/weekday	\$35.00
Z1720	RN Private Duty Nursing (ACCAP/MW3) per hour/weekend/holiday	\$35.00
Z1730	Specialty RN Private Duty Nursing (ACCAP/MW3) per hour/weekday	\$40.00
Z1740	Specialty RN Private Duty Nursing (ACCAP/MW3) per hour/weekend/holiday	\$40.00
Z1715	LPN Private Duty Nursing (ACCAP/MW3) per hour/weekday	\$23.00
Z1725	LPN Private Duty Nursing (ACCAP/MW3) per hour/weekend/holiday	\$23.00
Z1735	Specialty LPN Private Duty Nursing (ACCAP/MW3) per hour/weekday	\$28.00
Z1745	Specialty LPN Private Duty Nursing (ACCAP/MW3) per hour/weekend/holiday	\$28.00
Z1710WT	RN Private Duty Nursing (EPSDT) per hour/weekday	\$35.00
Z1730WT	Specialty RN Private Duty Nursing (EPSDT) per hour/weekday	\$40.00
Z1735WT	LPN Private Duty Nursing (EPSDT) per hour/weekday	\$28.00

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