

STATE OF WISCONSIN
 Department of Health and Family Services
 Division of Long Term Care

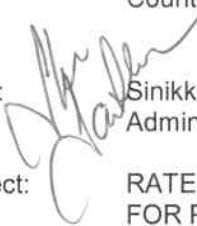
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 FOR PERSONS WITH
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Document Summary

Each year, the Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services reviews and revises the rates charged for services at the centers for persons with developmental disabilities.

RATE SCHEDULE CENTERS FOR PERSONS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES July 1, 2007 – June 30, 2008

The Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services develops and approves the rates for the centers for persons with developmental disabilities. Rates are based on the actual cost of providing these services. The department has established two rates for services at the centers for persons with developmental disabilities. One rate is for long term care services and the other rate is for intensive treatment services. The rate increase indicated below reflects increases in labor costs as well as increases in fuel and utilities costs.

At the centers for persons with developmental disabilities, county departments of developmental disabilities services are billed only for individuals ineligible for Medicaid, designated as inappropriately placed, and/or admitted for intensive treatment program services described below. Per s. 51.437(4m)(c)1, the county has 60 days to pay the bill. If payment is not received within 60 days, the amount will automatically be deducted from the next DHFS payment to the county through the CARS system.

INTENSIVE TREATMENT PROGRAM (ITP) SERVICES were established at Southern Wisconsin Center (SWC) and Northern Wisconsin Center (NWC) per 1993 Wisconsin Act 16 and at Central Wisconsin Center (CWC) per 1999 Wisconsin Act 9. ITP services are available for individuals at the centers statewide. Services are provided to individuals with developmental disabilities who require active treatment and who are also diagnosed as having a mental illness or who exhibit extremely aggressive and challenging behaviors.

Under s. 51.437(4m)(c)2m, the county department of developmental disabilities services will be billed the non-federal share for services provided to individuals under s. 51.06(1m)(d) who are eligible for Medicaid. The ITP rates were calculated to create a uniform statewide rate for intensive treatment program services provided at the centers. A uniform statewide ITP rate will enable counties to access the closest facility or select the facility that best suits the person's needs without regard to rate differences.

The Billing and Collections Unit of the Bureau of Fiscal Services will bill the counties for the non-federal share of the Medicaid ITP rates for the care of the persons receiving ITP services. The amount charged to the counties will be lower if some portion of the care is covered by non-Medicaid dollars. The amount charged to the counties will also change as the Medicaid rate per day and/or the non-federal share changes. On October 1, 2007 the non-federal share of Medicaid will decrease from 42.53 percent to **42.38 percent**. The county will not be billed for the non-federal share of the Medicaid payments for clients admitted for ITP services whose cost of care is covered by a Family Care CMO (Care Management Organization).

On February 7, 2007, the Department announced in the DDES Information Memo 2007-01 that as of April 1, 2007 admissions to Winnebago Mental Health Institute's Services for Multiply Impaired Children (SMIC) unit will be closed and these services will now be provided at Central Wisconsin Center and Northern Wisconsin Center ITPs. In addition, the Department notified counties of its intent to transfer services from Winnebago Mental Health Institute's Transitional Living Center (TLC) unit to the ITP at Southern Wisconsin Center during calendar year 2008.

On April 20, 2007 the Department also announced in the DDES Numbered Memo 2007-06 that after review of the full impact on counties of these transfers, it will apply the following fiscal processes:

1. DHFS will fund the non-federal share of costs for any child or adolescent under the age of 22, who are receiving active treatment and voluntarily transfers from SMIC or TLC to a DD center between April 1, 2007 and December 31, 2007.
2. DHFS will fund the non-federal share of costs, during the short term stay for children and adolescents who are eligible for admission to an ITP and who are voluntarily admitted to a DD center and are in need of active treatment between April 1, 2007 and December 31, 2007 as determined by a pre-admission assessment. These are children and adolescents with an intellectual disability who would have been admitted to SMIC but will not be admitted due to the SMIC unit not accepting admissions as of April 1, 2007.
3. DHFS will waive the 10% surcharge for counties for those children who were transferred from SMIC/TLC during calendar year 2007.
4. Beginning in calendar year 2008, DHFS will impose the appropriate ITP costs and surcharges for former and future SMIC and TLC clients admitted to ITP.

EXTENDED INTENSIVE TREATMENT SURCHARGE: Per s. 51.06(5), the department is authorized to assess a surcharge equal to 10% of the total cost of care provided to individuals in the ITP's based on their length of stay. The surcharge is imposed for each six-month period in which a resident remains at a center beyond his or her discharge date, which is set by the center and the individual's county of residence. The surcharge amount will increase by 10% of the total cost of care provided during each six-month period thereafter. The Department of Health and Family Services notified the counties regarding the implementation of this surcharge on October 12, 2006 in the DDES Information Memo 2006-18.

TRANSITIONING PERSONS TO COMMUNITY CARE: The county will be billed \$48.00 per day if an independent professional review established under 42 USC 1396a(a)(31) determines the person served is appropriate for community care, and there is adequate state and federal funding to provide these community services (Per s. 51.437(4rm)(c)2.b.).

RATES AT CENTERS	CENTRAL	NORTHERN	SOUTHERN
Daily Rate for Long Term Care	\$711.00	\$990.00	\$630.00
Intensive Treatment Services - Per Day	\$738.00	\$738.00	\$738.00
Non Federal Share (7/1/07 – 9/30/07)	\$313.87	\$313.87	\$313.87
Non Federal Share (10/1/07 – 6/30/08)	\$312.76	\$312.76	\$312.76

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