

Outside Services Changes for 10/1/15 – For People Living in Supportive Individualized Residential Alternatives (IRAs), Supportive CRs or Family Care Homes

1. I live in a Supportive IRA and I attend a Supplemental Day Habilitation program. Will I still be able to attend my Supplemental Day Habilitation program after 10/1/15?

Yes, you can continue to attend your Supplemental Day Habilitation. What is changing is the way your Supplemental Day Habilitation provider will be paid. Beginning on 10/1/15 the provider of your residential services will receive additional money and begin to pay for your Supplemental Day Habilitation services or provide additional staffing to meet your needs for community integration.

2. I live in a Family Care Home and I attend a Supplemental Day Habilitation program. Will I still be able to attend my Supplemental Day Habilitation program after 10/1/15?

Yes, you can continue to participate in Supplemental Day Habilitation. What is changing is the way your Supplemental Day Habilitation provider will be paid. Beginning on 10/1/15 your Family Care Agency will receive additional money to pay for your Supplemental Day Habilitation services or provide additional staffing to meet your needs for community integration.

3. I live in a Supportive IRA and I receive Personal Care services. Will I still be able to receive these services after 10/1/15?

Yes, you can continue to receive Personal Care services (both regular and Consumer Directed Personal Care). What is changing is the way your Personal Care services will be paid. Beginning on 10/1/15 your Supportive IRA Agency will receive additional money to pay for your Personal Care services that occur in your residence or anytime on weekday evenings and weekends. The Supportive IRA Agency will then pay for these services. There is an exception for people who are employed (see below).

4. I live in a Family Care Home and I receive Personal Care services. Will I still be able to receive these services after 10/1/15?

Yes, you can continue to receive Personal Care services (both regular and Consumer Directed Personal Care). What is changing is the way your Personal Care services will be paid. Beginning on 10/1/15 your Family Care Agency will receive additional money to pay for your Personal Care services that occur in your residence or anytime on weekday evenings and weekends. The Family Care Agency will then pay for these services. There is an exception for people who are employed (see below).

5. I work and receive Personal Care Services at my job, will these Personal Care Services end after 10/1/15?

For people who are employed in the community, Personal Care or Community Habilitation services that are delivered at your place of employment are not changing after 10/1/15. Your Personal Care or Community Habilitation provider will continue to bill Medicaid for these services, as long as you are employed in a community setting and you are paid at least minimum wage.

Outside Services Changes for 10/1/15 – For People Living in Supervised Individualized Residential Alternatives (IRAs) or Supervised CRs

1. I receive Nutrition Services from an Article 16 Clinic and I live in a Supervised IRA. How will I get my Nutrition services after 10/1/15?

You will continue to get your Nutrition Services after 10/1/15. Your Supervised IRA will pay for the Nutrition services on or after 10/1/15 that are related to your Residential Services. A nutrition service is related to your residential service if it addresses your dietary needs in the IRA, the food you eat in the IRA, and other settings where the residential habilitation plan is implemented (e.g., community outings). If needed, your Supervised IRA provider will receive additional funds to pay for these services.

2. I receive Psychology services from an Article 16 Clinic and I live in a Supervised IRA, are there going to be changes to my services after 10/1/15?

You will continue to get your Psychology Services after 10/1/15. For some psychological services, your Supervised IRA provider will pay for the services after 10/1/15. If needed, your Supervised IRA provider will receive additional funds to pay for these services. Other services will continue to be billed to Medicaid by the clinic.

The psychological services that will be paid by your Supervised IRA provider are psychological services that are related to your residential habilitation services, and address your need for behavioral intervention and support services.

3. I live in a Supervised IRA. Is there a change in nursing services in the residence?

There are no changes happening with current Nursing services that you receive in a Supervised IRA. After 10/1/15, if you need Nursing services and your Supervised IRA cannot provide the service, then you can request nursing that is paid by Medicaid. In order to receive these Nursing services, the services must be prior authorized by the Department of Health. Separate Nursing services will be authorized by the Department of Health only when your need for this service cannot be met by the Supervised IRA staff.