



**Supervised Individual Residential Alternative (IRA) Residential Habilitation,  
Day Habilitation, Community Habilitation, Site-Based Prevocational Services  
Providers and Community Based Prevocational Services Providers**

<b>Temporary Modifications to the Service System for All Day Habilitation and Site-Based Prevocational Services</b>	<b>Sunsets on 10/14/20</b>	<b>Continues after 10/14/20</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Remote telehealth service delivery</li> </ul>		✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Modified service definition and limits to allow for services in the person's private home, family home, provider owned or controlled, certified or uncertified residential setting, out of state, or any other emergency residential setting, such as a hotel</li> </ul>		✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Life Plan service and support changes prompted by the COVID-19 public health emergency, including changes to the amount, duration, and scope of any service, must be updated in the Life Plan as soon as possible, but not later than 60 days after the approval of the service or change. Corresponding Staff Action Plans must also be updated, although timelines have been waived until 60 days following the cessation of the state of emergency</li> </ul>		✓

<b>Temporary Program Day Duration for All Day Habilitation and Site-Based Prevocational Services</b>	<b>Sunsets on 10/14/20</b>	<b>Continues after 10/14/20</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Face-to-face service time</li> </ul>		✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Time when staff are engaged with the person using remote telehealth service delivery</li> </ul>		✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mealtimes included</li> </ul>		✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A full unit of service may be billed when program day duration is at least 2 hours</li> <li>A half unit of service may be billed when program day duration is at least 1 hour</li> </ul>	✓	

<b>Group Community Habilitation – Residential (Group CH-R)</b>	<b>Sunsets on 10/14/20</b>	<b>Continues after 10/14/20</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Supervised IRA providers may continue to deliver and bill eMedNY for Group CH-R for IRA residents who, prior to the public health emergency, participated in Day Habilitation or Prevocational Services delivered by a different provider</li> </ul>		✓

<b>Community Habilitation and Community Based Prevocational Services</b>	<b>Sunsets on 10/14/20</b>	<b>Continues after 10/14/20</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Remote telehealth and/or face-to-face service delivery</li> </ul>		✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Allowance for people who live in a certified residence with less than 24-hour staffing to receive Community Habilitation services in the residence</li> </ul>		✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Flexibilities described in the section of interim “Delivering Services and Maintaining Social Distancing:”            During the state of emergency, ...providers may provide and bill Medicaid for services that support the person, while maintaining social distancing. For example, ...staff may deliver groceries or other supplies, or assist with necessary outdoor household chores. For these types of services, the time that staff spend traveling to the person’s home, running the errand, and returning to the worker’s home, may be billed.</li> </ul> <p>Originally authorized in Interim COVID-19 guidance for the appropriate service.</p>	✓	

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