



Developmental Pathways

DEDICATED TO INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES

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Dear Therapist,

As you may or may not know, the entire SLS-CES waiver changes were implemented on July 1, 2009 and will be in effect until June 30, 2014. As a result of these changes, non-negotiable standardized rates have been established for all services in both the Supported Living and Children's Extensive Services programs. Below is the new description for *Professional Services*, as well as the rates for the services. If you wish to continue your business relationship with Developmental Pathways, Inc. please be sure to include the new rate as well as service code on all invoices for July 2009 services forward.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Professional services include Hippo-therapy, Movement Therapy and Massage Therapy. These services can be funded only when the provider is licensed, certified, registered and/or accredited by an appropriate national accreditation association in that profession and the intervention is related to an identified medical or behavioral need. The service must be an identified need in the Service Plan. In addition, the service must be an identified need by a licensed Medicaid State Plan therapist/physician and that therapist/physician has identified a goal for the treatment and shall monitor the progress of that goal at least quarterly. The identified "Professional Service" cannot be available under the regular Medicaid State Plan or from a third party source.

Service Code	Service Description	SIS Level	Unit Designation	Unit Rate	Hour Rate (x4)
97124	<u>Massage</u> Massage therapy provided by licensed professional. Massage therapy is the physical manipulation of muscles to ease muscle contractures, spasms, extensions, muscle relaxation and muscle tension including Watsu.	Indiv	1 unit = 15 min	\$18.00	\$72.00
G0176	<u>Movement Therapy: BA Therapist</u> Music therapy provided by a therapist with a bachelor's degree. Music Therapy is the use of music as a therapeutic tool for the habilitation, rehabilitation, and maintenance of behavioral, developmental, physical, social, communication, pain management, cognition, and gross motor skills.	Indiv	1 unit = 15 min	\$15.00	\$60.00
G0176	<u>Movement Therapy: Masters Therapist</u> Music therapy provided by a therapist with a Masters degree. Music therapy provided by a therapist with a bachelor's degree. Music Therapy is the use of music as a therapeutic tool for the habilitation, rehabilitation, and maintenance of behavioral, developmental, physical, social, communication, pain management, cognition, and gross motor skills.	Indiv	1 unit = 15 min	\$22.00	\$88.00
S8940	<u>Hippo Therapy: Individual</u> Therapy provided to an individual 1:1. Hippo Therapy is a therapeutic treatment strategy that uses the movement of the horse to assist in the development/enhancement of skills: gross motor/sensory integration/attention/cognitive/social/behavioral/communication. There is a certification exam allows therapists to be a hippotherapy clinical specialist.	Indiv	1 unit = 15 min	\$20.00	\$80.00

S8940	<p><u>Hippo Therapy: Group</u> Therapy provided to individuals in a group setting. Hippo Therapy is a therapeutic treatment strategy that uses the movement of the horse to assist in the development/enhancement of skills: gross motor/sensory integration/attention/cognitive/social/behavioral/communication. There is a certification exam allows therapists to be a hippotherapy clinical specialist.</p>	Group	1 unit = 15 min	\$8.50	\$34.00
<p><u>BEHAVIORAL SERVICES</u> Behavioral services identified in the Service Plan including individual and/or group counseling, behavioral interventions, diagnostic evaluations or consultations related to the individual's developmental disability and are needed for the individual to acquire or maintain appropriate interactions with others. Intervention modalities shall relate to an identified challenging behavior need of the person and specific criteria for remediation of the behavior must be established. The provider(s) will be identified in the Service Plan and will be at the minimum qualification level necessary to achieve the specific criteria for remediation. If an individual has a covered mental health diagnosis and is in need of covered mental health services, then those services must be accessed through the Medicaid State Plan. It is possible for people with co-occurring diagnoses of Developmental Disabilities and Covered Mental Health conditions to have identified needs that the Developmental Disabilities system can provide and identified needs that the Mental Health system provides.</p>					
H2019	<p><u>Line Staff</u> Additional staff who are working under the direction of the senior or lead therapist, that are brought into the home or day program locations specifically carry out the behavioral plan only. These activities are time limited and targeted to the behavioral plan. Does not require credentialing but must be trained regarding behavioral plan implementation and interventions.</p>	Indiv	1 unit = 15 min	\$6.40	\$25.60
H2019	<p><u>Senior Therapist</u> Senior Therapists shall have a Baccalaureate degree, or higher, in behavioral sciences and be nationally certified as a "Board Certified Associate Behavior Analyst" or certified by a similar nationally recognized organization and at least 2 years of directly supervised experience developing and implementing behavioral support plans that are consistent with best practice and research on effectiveness for people with developmental disabilities.</p>	Indiv	1 unit = 15 min	\$24.24	\$96.96
H2019	<p><u>Lead Therapist - Must have one of the following:</u> 1. Have a doctoral degree w/ a specialty in psychiatry, medicine or clinical psychology & be actively licensed by the state board of examiners. Have one year of direct experience in behavioral therapies that are consistent with best practice & research on effectiveness for people with developmental disabilities. 2. Have a doctoral degree in one of the behavioral or health sciences & have completed 1 year of experience in behavioral therapies that are consistent with best practice & research on effectiveness for people with developmental disabilities. 3. Have a Master's degree, or higher, in behavioral sciences and be nationally certified as a "Board Certified Behavior Analyst" or certified by a similar nationally recognized organization. 4. Have a Master's degree or higher in one of the behavior or health sciences or credentialed as a related services provider (Physical Therapist, Occupational Therapist, or Speech Therapist) & have completed 1 year of direct supervised experience in behavioral therapies that are consistent w/ best practice & research on effectiveness for people w/ DD.</p>	Indiv	1 unit = 15 min	\$30.71	\$122.84

H2019	<p><u>Behavior Plan Specialist: Must have one of the following:</u> 1. Bachelor or higher Degree and 3 years of directly supervised experience developing and implementing behavioral support plans that are consistent with best practice and research on effectiveness for people with developmental disabilities. 2. Associates Degree from an accredited college or university and 4 years of directly supervised experience developing and implementing behavioral support plans that are consistent with best practice and research on effectiveness for people with developmental disabilities. 3. 5 years of directly supervised experience developing and implementing behavioral support plans for individuals that are consistent with best practice and research on effectiveness for people with developmental disabilities.</p>	Indiv	1 unit = 15 min	\$12.14	\$48.56
H2019	<u>Behavioral Assessment</u>	Indiv	1 Unit = \$1	\$1.00	