PROVIDER**ALERT**



Provider Services: 1-888-922-0007

To: AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana Providers

Date: August 4, 2025

Subject: Louisiana Medicaid Increased Physician Reimbursement Rates

Beginning July 1, 2025

Summary: Louisiana Medicaid Increased Physician Reimbursement Rates Beginning July 1, 2025

AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana would like to inform you that the Louisiana Department of Health announced an increase in Medicaid Reimbursement rates for physicians through funding authorized by Act 306 of the 2024 Regular Legislative Session and appropriated in House Bill 1 of the 2025 Session.

Effective July 1, 2025, Medicaid physician reimbursement rates increased to **85% of the March 2024 Region 99 Medicare rates** for applicable services. Reimbursements at or above this threshold will remain the same.

To implement the new rates, LDH has initiated the formal rulemaking process and submitted a state plan amendment to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS). An emergency rule was published in the July 2025 edition of the Louisiana Register with the effective date of July 1, 2025, allowing the rate increase to take effect while the final rule is being finalized.

What Providers Need to Know:

- No action is required from providers. All eligible Medicaid claims with service dates on or after July 1, 2025, will be automatically recycled by LDH and the managed care organizations (MCO) to reflect the updated reimbursement amounts.
- A revised Medicaid fee schedule will be posted on LDH's website by September 30, 2025.
- Once the fee schedule is published, AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana will have 30 calendar days to implement the new rates.
- LDH will issue an informational bulletin with additional details before the online posting of the revised fee schedule.

For updates and more information, providers are encouraged to monitor LDH communications and visit the <u>LDH website [ldh.la.gov]</u>.

Questions:

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to our patients' care. If you have questions about this communication, please get in touch with AmeriHealth Caritas Louisiana's Provider Services department at 1-888-922-0007 or your <u>Provider Network Management Account Executive</u>.

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Louisiana Department of Health Bureau of Health Services Financing

July 29, 2025

To: All Louisiana Medicaid Physicians

From: Drew Maranto, Undersecretary

Subject: Medicaid Reimbursement Rate Increase Effective July 1, 2025

Dear Medicaid Provider.

The Louisiana Department of Health (LDH) is pleased to inform you of an increase in Medicaid reimbursement rates pursuant to Act 306 of the 2024 Regular Legislative Session (RLS) and the appropriations provided in House Bill 1 of the 2025 RLS. Effective July 1, 2025, Medicaid physician reimbursement rates will be increased to 85% of the March 2024 Region 99 Medicare rates for applicable services. Reimbursements that are already at or above 85% of the 2024 Medicare rates will remain the same.

To implement this change, LDH must complete the formal rulemaking process and submit a state plan amendment to CMS. LDH published an Emergency Rule in the July 2025 edition of the Louisiana Register, with an effective date of July 1, 2025. This will authorize the increase while the final rule is promulgated.

All Medicaid eligible claims submitted with dates of service on or after July 1, 2025, through the date of implementation of the new rates will be automatically recycled by LDH and the Managed Care Organizations (MCO) to reflect the updated reimbursement rates. No action will be required from providers for these claims to be recycled.

A revised Medicaid fee schedule reflecting the new rates will be posted on our website by September 30, 2025, and MCOs will have up to 30 calendar days to implement the changes. LDH will send out an additional notification in the form of an informational bulletin with additional details before the fee schedule is available online.

Thank you for your continued participation in the Louisiana Medicaid Program and for all of the work and patient care you're providing to our residents.

Sincerely,

Drew Maranto Undersecretary

Louisiana Department of Health