

TRUMBULL COUNTY BOARD OF DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES

Policy

Section 8.26

BEHAVIOR SUPPORT RATE MODIFICATION PERTAINING TO HOME & COMMUNITY BASED SERVICES WAIVER FUNDING

Purpose:

The purpose of this policy is to provide a systematic means to apply criteria set forth in Ohio Administrative Code 5123-9-30 to determine if individuals require a Homemaker Personal Care (HPC) rate adjustment (commonly referred to as the behavior support add-on) due to the criteria set forth in the OAC 5123-9-30 (F)(4)(a). TCBDD will fund all behavior support add-ons that were in place prior to January 1, 2016. TCBDD will process requests and seek departmental approval for the state funded behavior support add-on when requested by the individual and or/provider for all requests made from January 1, 2016, onward.

Policy:

The behavior support rate modification is intended to provide funding for the implementation of behavioral support strategies by staff who have the level of training necessary to implement the strategies that is adequate to meet the needs of the individuals served.

To qualify for the behavior support rate modification funded by the county board, the following requirements as set forth in Ohio Administrative Code 5123-9-30 must be met:

- The individual has been assessed within the last twelve months to present a danger to self or others or have the potential to present a danger to self or others; and
- A behavior support strategy that is a component of the individual service plan has been developed in accordance with Ohio Administrative Code 5123-2-06; and
- The individual either:
 - ❖ Has a response of “yes” to at least four items in question #32 of the behavior domain of the Ohio Developmental Disabilities Profile (ODDP) or
 - ❖ Requires a structured environment that, if removed, will result in the individual’s engagement in behavior destructive to self or others.

When a behavior add on is being requested to be paid for with county board funds:

- A behavior support plan with restrictive measures, one-to-one staffing and/or 24-hour supervision in and of themselves do not constitute qualification for the rate modification.
- The Trumbull County Board will develop an inventory checklist based upon the criteria as forth in OAC 5123-9-30 (F)(4)(a) for the individual service plan (ISP) team to utilize to determine if rate adjustment is applicable. The rate modification will be applied if the individual service plan team agrees that all conditions are met according to the rate modification checklist.

- An internal review committee will review the case and make recommendations to the Trumbull County Board Superintendent or designee in the event that the ISP team cannot reach agreement that all conditions for rate modification have been met.
- The County Board Superintendent or designee has final authority to determine if the individual meets the criteria for the rate modification when the ISP team cannot reach agreement.

For state funded behavioral support rate add-on, the department will determine if the individual meets the criteria for the rate modification as outlined in OAC 5123-9-30 (4)(a) upon receipt of a request by TCBDD.

All behavior support plans and rate modifications must be reviewed at least annually. Review and reassessment of the need for a behavior support plan and/or the rate modification may occur at any time during the course of the annual individual service plan. The individual or guardian may withdraw consent for behavior support at any time.



Board President



Superintendent

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