



Adult Private Duty Nursing (PDN) Temporary Fee-for-Service (FFS) Increase for the Time Period of November 1, 2021 through March 31, 2022

The American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) was signed into law on March 11, 2021. Section 9817 provides a financial increase in Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP) to state Medicaid programs from April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022 to supplement existing state expenditures on home and community-based services (HCBS). To support and strengthen the Private Duty Nursing direct care workforce, the Department of Health is investing state and federal monies on a one-time basis to supplement FFS Medicaid PDN reimbursement for adult members age 23 and over.

Effective November 1, 2021, FFS Medicaid Private Duty Nursing (PDN) fees will be raised for members 23 and older for the time period of November 1, 2021 through March 31, 2022.

This increase will be applied to prior approvals that receive the current upstate/downstate regional fee (including Ontario County fees which will be raised to the temporary maximum amount). This increase ONLY applies to FFS members receiving PDN services.

The fee increase will be handled through an administrative process by the Office of Health Insurance Programs PDN PA Unit based on the following procedure:

For Prior Approvals that will receive fee increases:

- Current PDN Prior Approval (PA) numbers will be end dated on October 31, 2021.
- A new PA number will be issued by the PDN PA unit, with the new fees, with an effective date of November 1, 2021 through the end date of the current PA, or March 31, 2022, whichever date comes sooner.
 - A separate PA will be issued for dates of services approved after April 1, 2022 reflecting the return to the previous regional fees.
- An updated roster will be sent to the Servicing Provider listed on the PA.
 - A new approval letter will be sent documenting the new hourly fee.
- New case and renewal PAs requests received after November 1, 2021 will have two PA numbers to reflect the temporary enhanced fees until March 31, 2022, and a prior approval valid after April 1, 2022 for the return to the previous regional fees.

Note: Nursing Providers (Agency and/or Independents) do not need to provide any information or paperwork to receive this enhancement.

The temporary fee increases are as follows:

Code	Upstate Region		Downstate Region	
	Current Fee	Temporary Fee 11/01/21-3/31/22	Current Fee	Temporary Fee 11/01/21-3/31/22
S9123	27.30	43.68	30.90	49.44
S9123 High Tech	31.31	50.10	33.99	54.38
S9124	22.92	36.67	24.72	39.55
S9124 High Tech	25.93	41.49	28.84	46.14

Questions:

If you have questions on this guidance, please call 1-800-342-3005 or email OHIPMEDPA@health.ny.gov.