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Agency: Ohio Department of Medicaid

Rule Number(s): 5160-59-03.2

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List organizations or individuals giving or submitting testimony before, during or after the public hearing and indicate the rule number(s) in question.

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Hearing Summary Report

Consolidated Summary of Comments Received

Please review all comments received and complete a consolidated summary paragraph of the comments and indicate the rule number(s).

5160-59-03.2: Comment expressed appreciation for the proposed increase in reimbursement rate for the service, comments recommended changing the language regarding the two business day timeframe to conduct outreach, comments recommended adjusting the bachelor and associates degree requirements for this rule, comment recommended adding a modifier in the Appendix A Fee Schedule to allow additional reimbursement for mileage and travel time, comment expressed that the proposed reimbursement rates do not accurately reflect the cost of providing the CME services, comment recommended to adjust the MCC reimbursement rate.

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Incorporated Comments into Rule(s)

Indicate how comments received during the hearing process were incorporated into the rule(s). If no comments were incorporated, explain why not.

No comments were incorporated into this rule.

The Ohio Department of Medicaid (ODM) expressed that ODM's minimum fee schedule is set for the average cost to deliver care coordination across the state. Providers may negotiate their contract with the OhioRISE Plan to address the areas where they provide care coordination in the state. This rule's amended rates are being proposed to increase reimbursement rates in alignment with the reimbursement rate changes being made to all community behavioral health services per H.B. 33 (the SFY24-25 budget). Updated caseload assumptions were worked into the transparent rate model and reflect the output of that modeling. ICC and MCC are two different types of care coordination services beyond the caseload ratio. ODM will monitor all behavioral health services rates on an ongoing basis.

ODM elects to not make any language changes to the two day outreach timeframe. Due to the needs of the children and youth seeking care coordination, it is of the utmost importance that children and youth referred to a CME have the opportunity to be connected to care coordination within two business days.

ODM agrees that attracting and retaining a skilled workforce is critically important to delivering high quality services to OhioRISE enrollees. Within this rule, paragraph (D)(3)(a)(iv) already provides a pathway for individuals who do not meet the listed years of experience in order to be able to provide care coordination if additional oversight is provided by their employer.