



**IMPACTED DATE: 10/24/24**

**RE: ALL Children's HCBS Providers**

**UPDATE: New Billing Rate Codes for Children's Waiver (HCBS) Planned Respite Group of 2**

**IMPACTED PLANS: Medicaid and HIV SNP**

Dear MetroPlusHealth Provider,

**Effective 10/24/2024**, per New State Department of Health (NYSDOH) mandated guidelines, MetroPlusHealth has implemented the following updated billing changes for Children's Waiver HCBS Group Planned Respite.

### **Billing Guidance for Planned Respite Group 2**

- **Effective 10/24/2024**, two \*new rate codes (**8065\*** and **8066\***) for Group Planned Respite provided to 2 participants, have been established by DOH. Providers should utilize these two new rate codes when billing for Group Planned Respite for 2 participants.
- **Effective 10/24/2024**, providers should bill using rate codes 8026 and 8027 for Group Planned Respite provided to 3 participants.
- To avoid denials, providers should follow the billing guidelines including use of appropriate Rate code, Procedure code, Modifiers outlined in below table.

| Respite - Planned   |              |                |               |              |            |
|---|--------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|------------|
| Service   | Rate Code    | Procedure Code | Modifiers     | Unit Measure | Unit Limit |
| Planned Respite -<br>Group of 2<br>(less than 6 hours)                  | <b>8065*</b> | S5150          | HA, UN        | 15 minutes   | 23/day     |
| Planned Respite -<br>Group of 2 per diem<br>(6 hours up to 12<br>hours) | <b>8066*</b> | S5151          | HA, UN        | Per diem     | 1/day      |
| Planned Respite –<br>Group of 3<br>(less than 6 hours)                  | 8027         | S5150          | HA, HQ        | 15 minutes   | 23/day     |
| Planned Respite –<br>Group of 3 per diem<br>(6 hours up to 12<br>hours) | 8026         | S5150          | HA, HK,<br>HQ | Per diem     | 1/day      |

If you have any questions regarding this memo, please contact MetroPlusHealth at:  
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Thank you.

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