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TO: Personal Assistance Agency and School-Based Services Providers

FROM: Matt Wimmer, Administrator *Matt Wimmer*

SUBJECT: **New Payment Rates Effective January 1, 2018**

Effective January 1, 2018, the Department is making changes to reimbursement rates for service codes billed by Personal Assistance Agency Providers and School-Based Services Providers as outlined below. In accordance with IDAPA 16.03.10.307, the Department calculated new rates based on the 2017 cost survey that was completed using 2016 cost data.

> **Services provided on or before December 31, 2017, must be billed separately from services provided on or after January 1, 2018. There may be an error in your payment if you do not use separate claim forms.**

The new rates are listed below by procedure code:

PERSONAL ASSISTANCE AGENCY CODES:

T1019	Personal Care Services	$4.49 /15-minute unit
S5125	Attendant Care	$4.49 /15-minute unit
S5130	Homemaker	$4.16 /15-minute unit
S5120	Chore	$4.01 /15-minute unit
S5135	Companion	$4.16 /15-minute unit
T1005	Respite	$4.16 /15-minute unit

SCHOOL-BASED SERVICES PROVIDER CODES:

| T1019 | Personal Care Services | $4.49 /15-minute unit |

Providers should charge their usual and customary fee for services prior to January 1, 2018. Please note that for dates of service on or after January 1, 2018, claims submitted by Personal Assistance Agencies or School-Based Services providers for the above procedure codes will be reimbursed at the fee schedule rate or the rate that is billed, whichever is lower. If you have questions about this information, please contact the Principal Financial Specialist in the Office of Reimbursement Policy at the Division of Medicaid at (208) 364-1817.

Thank you for participating in the Idaho Medicaid Program.

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