

## Adult Day Support Rule Overview:

The expected outcome of adult day support is development of skills that lead to greater independence, community membership, relationship-building, self-direction, and self-advocacy.

Adult day support means provision of regularly scheduled activities in a non-residential setting, such as assistance with acquisition, retention, or improvement of self-help, socialization, and adaptive skills that enhance the individual's social development and performance of daily community living. Adult day support shall be designed to foster the acquisition of skills, build community membership and independence, and expand personal choice. Adult day support enables the individual to attain and maintain his or her maximum potential. Activities that constitute adult day support include, but are not limited to:

- Supports to participate in community activities and build community membership consistent with the individual's interests, preferences, goals, and outcomes.
- Supports to develop and maintain a meaningful social life, including social skill development which offers opportunities for personal growth, independence, and natural supports through community involvement, participation, and relationships.
- Supports and opportunities that increase problem-solving skills to maximize an individual's ability to participate in integrated community activities independently or with natural supports.
- Personal care including supports and supervision in the areas of personal hygiene, eating, communication, mobility, toileting, and dressing to ensure an individual's ability to experience and participate in community living.
- Skill reinforcement including the implementation of behavioral support strategies, assistance in the use of communication and mobility devices, and other activities that reinforce skills learned by the individual that are necessary to ensure his or her initial and continued participation in community life.
- Training in self-determination which includes assisting the individual to develop self-advocacy skills; to exercise his or her civil rights; to exercise control and responsibility over the services he or she receives; and to acquire skills that enable him or her to become more independent, productive, and integrated within the community.
- Recreation and leisure including supports identified in the person-centered individual service plan as being therapeutic in nature, rather than merely providing a diversion, and/or as being necessary to assist the individual to develop and/or maintain social relationships and family contacts.
- Assisting the individual with self-medication or provision of medication administration for prescribed medication and assisting the individual with or performing health-related activities.

Adult day support shall not be provided by an independent provider.

Adult day support is available to individuals who are no longer eligible for educational services based on their graduation and/or receipt of a diploma or equivalency certificate and/or their

permanent discontinuation of educational services within parameters established by the Ohio department of Education.

A provider of adult day support may use the **daily billing unit** when the provider delivers between five and seven hours of adult day support to the same individual during one calendar day and:

- Adult Day Support is the only service provided and billed for the day
- The individual does not qualify for or the provider elects not to receive the behavioral support rate modification
- The individual does not qualify for or the provider elects not to receive the medical assistance rate modification; and
- The provider does not qualify for or elects not to receive the community integration rate modification

A provider of adult day support shall use the **fifteen-minute billing unit** when:

- The provider delivers less than five hours or more than seven hours of adult day support to the same individual during one calendar day;
- The individual receives more than one type of Adult Day Service during the calendar day;
- The individual being served qualifies for and the provider elects to receive the behavioral support rate modification;
- The individual being served qualifies for and the provider elects to receive the medical assistance rate modification; or
- The provider qualifies for and elects to receive the community integration rate modification

A provider of adult day support **shall not bill a daily billing unit on the same day the provider bills fifteen-minute billing units** for the same individual.

Payment for adult day support, career planning, group employment support, individual employment support, and vocational habilitation, alone or in combination, **shall not exceed budget limitations**

Payment rates for adult day support at **the fifteen-minute billing unit shall be eligible for adjustment by the behavioral support rate modification and/or the medical assistance rate modification**, if the individual meets the applicable criteria for one, or both, of the rate modifications

Payment rates for adult day support at the **fifteen-minute billing unit shall be eligible for adjustment by the community integration rate modification** when the service is provided in integrated settings in groups of four or fewer individuals and the staff providing the service have demonstrated enhanced competency by successfully completing a department-approved program of instruction in community integration.

**An agency provider certified by the department to provide adult day support may contract with and reimburse a provider certified by the Ohio department of aging for adult day support**

provided to individuals enrolled in individual options, level one, and self-empowered life funding waivers.

- A provider certified by the Ohio department of aging is not required to arrange or provide non-medical transportation for individuals, but may provide non-medical transportation directly or through a contract, if selected by the individual.
- A unit of adult day support provided through contract with a provider certified by the Ohio department of aging does not include transportation time