

Addendum

[Reflecting 7/1/22 Update to Caregiver Rates of Pay](#)

The purpose of this addendum is to reflect the recent change to the Medicaid rates of pay for caregivers. These rates are effective back to 7/1/2022. The CNA rate has increased to \$17.32, the LPN rate to \$26.25, and the RN rate to \$30.07. The links in the text below have been updated to direct you to the appropriate reimbursement fee schedules which reflect the new changes.

[Nursing Care Provided in Home by Parent or Legal Guardian:](#)

When professional nursing or attendant care is required, NICA may reimburse a parent or legal guardian for medically necessary and reasonable residential custodial care as documented on the PNCF. This would be as an alternative or in addition to paying for professional nursing care or other professional attendants.

[For participants born since June 7, 2002:](#)

Reimbursement is subject to the limitations specified in Sections 766.302(10) and 766.31, Florida Statutes. These sections specify that NICA may reimburse a parent or legal guardian for up to 10 hours of family residential or custodial care that they provide directly to the participant within a 24- hour period. If more than 10 hours are authorized, other caregivers can be reimbursed for care authorized and provided in excess of 10 hours. NICA does not reimburse for any hours when the participant is in school or PPEC. If a participant requires more than 10 hours of care and if the parent is considered a medical professional (e.g., CNA, LPN, RN), the 10-hour limit is waived. A parent can be reimbursed at their level of licensure (at the Florida Medicaid rate) for the hours of care deemed medically necessary and provided by the parent. For example, if the parent is an LPN and the PNCF authorizes 12 hours of CNA care and 12 hours of LPN care, and the parent provides all 24 hours of care, that parent would be reimbursed for 12 hours at the [CNA](#) rate and 12 hours at the [LPN](#) rate.