

07/01/2024 TAP Release

Issue	Resolution
The creation of the Department of Children and Youth (DCY) created the need to update reports, help screens, and documentation such as Quick Reference Cards (QRCs), found at https://ohiocctap.info , to refer to the new department instead of the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services (ODJFS).	References to "ODJFS", "Ohio Department of Job and Family Services", and "Ohio Department of Job & Family Services" were updated to refer to the Department of Children and Youth (DCY) where applicable.
Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) 5101:2-16-10 is being updated to remove paragraph O which referred to a child care provider's ability to claim and be reimbursed for Pandemic Days. This policy change requires a change to the system to remove child care providers ability to submit Pandemic Days.	Child care providers will no longer have the option to select pandemic days on attendance for 7/7/2024 and later in KinderConnect.
New state ceiling rate changes will be going into effect on 7/7/2024.	Services provided 7/7/2024 and later will use the new state ceiling rates for provider payments.
Effective 7/7/2024, there will be a change to the way payments for Step up to Quality (SUTQ) and the Enhanced Rate (additional 4% if SUTQ rated) are determined. There will be a change from a 5 star model to a 3 level model and the payment calculation process must be updated to accommodate these changes.	<p>For programs participating in Step up to Quality (SUTQ), services provided from 7/7/2024 forward will use a 3-Level model with new percentage amounts.</p> <p>The 3 levels and the applicable percentage amounts will be as follows: Level 1 (Bronze) = 10% of the Base Rate (formerly 1 and 2-Star SUTQ) Level 2 (Silver) = 15% of the Base Rate (formerly 3-Star SUTQ) Level 3 (Gold) = 25% of the Base Rate (formerly 4 and 5-Star SUTQ)</p>
Effective 7/7/2024, there will be changes to the way payments for the Enhanced Special Needs Waiver (SNW) are calculated and the payment calculation process must be updated to accommodate these changes.	<p>Services provided 7/7/2024 and later will use a new payment calculation process for providers/children with a Special Needs Waiver (SNW).</p> <p>The Base amount for a provider will be determined using the lower of the following: - The base rate (shown in Appendix A of Rule) in the provider's county location - The provider's customary rate to the public.</p> <p>If a provider is also participating in Step up to Quality (SUTQ), an additional percentage will be added to the Base amount prior to doubling the payment. The additional percentage will be based on the following: Level 1 (Bronze) rated programs will be paid an additional 10% of the base Level 2 (Silver) rated programs will be paid an additional 15% of the base Level 3 (Gold) rated programs will be paid an additional 25% of the base</p>
Effective 7/7/2024, there will be changes to the way payments for In Home Aides are determined and the payment calculation process must be updated to accommodate these changes.	<p>Services provided 7/7/2024 and later will use a new payment calculation process for In-Home Aides.</p> <p>The base amount for the IHA will be determined using the lower of the following: - The base rate (shown in Appendix A of Rule) in the county at which the IHA provides care. -The provider's customary rate to the public.</p> <p>In addition they are eligible for professional and absent days, as well as 5% Non-trad bump and 5% individual child special need bump. (bumps are paid as long as the total payment does not exceed the provider's customary rate to the public.)</p>