

Important Changes to Children's Personal Care Services (CPCS)

Starting July 1, 2023, CPCS budgets will be based on an hourly wage of \$15. The previous base wage was \$13.74 per hour.

Information about this change

- The CPCS program has been adjusting budgets to include this increase in recent weeks.
- Budgets active now will be pro-rated to include the increase effective July 1st.
- CPCS Employers will see this change in spending reports provided by ARIS Solutions.
- This rate increase does not change the level of service a child was approved for in the most recent assessment.
- Through the collective bargaining process, the minimum wage for Personal Care Attendants (PCAs) will increase to \$14.05 per hour and the maximum wage will increase to \$18 per hour. Please consult the [online program guidelines](#) for information about requesting a wage variance.
- CPCS Employers can pay a flexible wage but paying higher than the new base wage of \$15 per hour will reduce the number of personal care hours available during an authorization period.
- [Payments to parents and legally responsible individuals](#) who provide personal care will be made at the new base wage of \$15 per hour.
- ARIS Solutions and the CPCS program can arrange for telephonic interpretation services for families as needed.

Please contact us with any questions about these changes

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