

Payment Policy: ARTC Supportive Living Prior Auth Rate Justification

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Policy Overview

Supportive Living Services can have different rates depending on how complex the needs of the member are. They can range from the member being able to utilize shared staffing to the member needing 24/7, one on one staffing or one to two staffing to support the needs of the member.

The purpose of this policy is to outline the rate justification to be used by the Health Plan in making payment decisions for Supportive Living Services.

Application

This policy applies to any Supportive Living provider submitting an authorization request for services related to a member requiring the need for direct service provider (DSP). It is meant to outline a non-comprehensive list of services constituting Level 1 supportive living.

For procedure codes and modifiers associated with supported living see the Waiver Manual.

Policy Description

Level 1 supportive living includes, but is not limited to, assistance with:

- Providing direct day-to-day support
- Assistance with:
 - Medications
 - Meal preparation and planning
 - Personal Care
 - Budgets
 - Transportation
 - School
- Documentation and reporting

The following aspects do not constitute a higher level of reimbursement. This is not an all-inclusive list.

- 24 hour support
- Compensation for Overtime
- In conjunction with private duty nursing support
- Dual Diagnosis Assessment

Members requiring support that warrants staff with specific licensure or experience (outside of what other DSP staff can offer) will be considered for other levels of supportive living. ARTC will request records specifying the needs of the member which indicate higher level staffing requirements.