# Service Addendum: Certified Adult Family Home

The provision of contracted, authorized, and provided services shall be in compliance with the provisions of this agreement, the service description and requirements of this section, and if applicable, state certification and licensing criteria.

## **Specifics**

Providers are subject to the same qualifications as providers under the Medicaid State Plan as defined in Wisconsin State Statute 1915 (c) Home and Community-Based Waiver services waivers #0367.90 and #0368.90 required under § 46.281 (1) (c).

The services for which Lakeland Care, Inc. (LCI) is contracting with your organization are noted in the Rates and Service Codes chart attached to the LCI Service Provider Contract.

#### **Timeliness and Access to Service**

Providers shall make all reasonable efforts to initiate service provision at the date and time requested by the LCI IDT on behalf of the member. In the event that initiation of the service at the member's preferred time is not feasible, the provider will express such to the LCI IDT, who will arrange an alternative start date of services, or, if necessary, arrange to meet the member's needs by other means.

## **Definition**

Adult family homes of 1-2 beds are places in which the operator provides care, treatment, support, or services above the level of room and board to up to two adults. Services typically include supportive home care, personal care and supervision. Services may also include transportation and recreational/social activities, behavior and social supports, daily living skills training and transportation if provided by the operator or designee of the operator. It includes homes which are the primary domicile of the operator or homes which are controlled and operated by a third party that hires staff to provide support and services. Adult family home services also include coordination with other services received by the participant and providers, including health care services, vocational or day services. Waiver funds may not be used to pay for the cost of room and board. An adult family home sponsor must comply with the Wisconsin Medicaid Waiver Standards for Certified 1-2 Bed Adult Family Homes and Wisconsin Administrative Code DHS 82 for Barrett Homes.

Respite care services are services provided for a member on a short-term basis to ease the member's family or other primary caregiver(s) from daily stress and care demands. Respite care may be provided in an institution such as a certified Medicaid setting (hospital, nursing home) or other licensed facility. Respite care may also be provided in a residential facility such as a certified or licensed adult family home, licensed community-based residential facility, certified residential care apartment complex, in the member's own home or the home of a respite care provider.

A Respite Worker is defined as any person (in paid or unpaid status) designated by the AFH Sponsor to take full responsibility to provide services, supports and care to the LCI members living in the home. This includes anyone caring for the LCI member in the absence of the AFH Sponsor. When respite is provided in the AFH Sponsors' home, the Respite Worker will take

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full responsibility for the operations of the adult family home when the AFH Sponsor is temporarily unavailable.

For providers of respite service: 1-2 bed adult family homes must comply with the Wisconsin Medicaid Waiver Standards for 1-2 Bed Adult Family Homes and Wisconsin Administrative Code DHS 82 for Barrett Homes. If a Certified Adult Family Home chooses to provide respite services, the AFH is responsible for any documentation and tracking associated with respite service limitations, including the annual limit on provision of respite days, and limitations on number of members receiving service at any time, as well as the required notification of existing residents and/or legal decision-makers in the event of an AFH providing respite in these members' homes.

#### Standards, Training, and Competency

Providers of services shall meet the standards of this agreement, and if applicable, agrees to retain certification in good standing during contract period.

Provider shall ensure that staff providing care to members are adequately trained and proficient in both the skills they are providing and in the needs of the member(s) receiving the services.

Training of staff providing services shall include:

- 1. Provider agency recording and reporting requirements for documentation, critical incident reporting, and other information and procedures necessary for the staff to ensure the health and safety of member(s) receiving supports
- 2. Training on the needs of the target group for the member(s) served under this agreement
- 3. Training on the provision of the services being provided
- 4. Training on the needs, strengths, and preferences of the individual(s) being served
- 5. Training on rights and confidentiality of individuals supported
- 6. Information and provider procedure for adherence to the LCI policies below:
  - a. Incident Management System
  - b. Restraint and Seclusion Policy and Procedure
  - c. Communication Expectations
  - d. Unplanned use of Restrictive Measure
  - e. Confidentiality

Provider shall ensure competency of individual employees performing services to the LCI members. Competency shall include assurance of the general skills and abilities necessary to perform assigned tasks.

#### **Staff to Member Ratio**

Provider's staff to member ratio shall be in accordance with state licensure and certification requirements as expressed by ordinance, state and federal rules and regulations applicable to the services covered by this contract. Provider shall be adequately staffed to meet the needs of members as defined in their assessments and individual service plans.

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When a need for a staffing ratio significantly changes (increase or decrease), provider will collaborate with Interdisciplinary Team (IDT) staff and the Provider Specialist (PS) prior to

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implementing the change. Provider must submit revised residential forms to the PS. Required documentation for requests to revise rates can be found on the LCI website at <a href="www.lakelandcareinc.com">www.lakelandcareinc.com</a> and include: 1) Residential Computation Worksheet, 2) Residential Salary Allocation Worksheet, 3) Residential Weekly Staff Schedule, 4) Residential Member-Staff Scheduling Form.

Forms will be reviewed with the provider and the IDT staff prior to approval or denial. Proposals for rate increases will be reviewed, but are not guaranteed.

#### **Staffing Assignment and Turnover**

The provision of successful services is attributable in large part to the strength of the relationship between a member and the staff directly providing the service. Given this contributory factor, provider agrees to make every effort to match and retain direct care staff under this agreement in a manner that optimizes consistency.

In order to establish and preserve this relationship, providers must take specific precautions to establish and monitor these services. Providers must have a process in place for:

- 1. Members to provide feedback on their experience with the employees performing these tasks and respond when appropriate.
- 2. Written information indicating who within the organization to contact with concerns, or questions related to the provision of services or direct care staff.
- 3. Provider will forward documentation and/or feedback to the IDT staff to allow members to express concerns to individuals other than the individual who performs the task.

Changes in staff assignments to specific members and within the organization are at the discretion of the provider. Provider agrees to take member requests for specific staff into consideration when assigning or reassigning staff to specific members and will notify the LCI IDT staff in their reporting of any changes to staff providing services.

### **Collaboration and Coordination of Care**

Through the use of the Resource Allocation Decision method (RAD), the LCI IDT staff shall assess the member's needs and outcomes to determine the amount of services to be authorized. The LCI IDT staff shall exchange pertinent information with the provider at the time the referral is made to assure all health and safety needs are provided during the services. This information exchange shall include the assessed needs and amount of authorized units as it relates to services.

All aspects of services shall be discussed between the LCI IDT staff, member or legal representative, and provider to ensure proper collaboration.

Through the use of the RAD, the LCI IDT staff shall assess the member's needs and outcomes to determine the necessity of Adult Family Home (AFH) placement. Prior to admitting a member into a facility:

 The IDT will make a referral to the facility for an assessment. At this time the IDT staff will share any information, assessment data and/or historical data to assist the facility with their assessment and development of their care plan; the IDT staff will inform the facility of specific health and safety needs to be addressed.

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- 2. The AFH Individual Service Plan (ISP) must be reviewed and completed prior to authorization and member moving.
- 3. Within 30 days of admission into the facility, the IDT staff will meet with the member and legal representative (if applicable) and facility manager to review the care plan and any updates.

Note: There maybe instances of expedited admission in which case LCI IDT staff would not be able to share the information, assessment data and/or historical data, the specific health and safety needs before admission. The LCI IDT staff will provide this pertinent information within three business days to the facility.

Managing routine care as well as emergencies of members:

- 1. AFH providers will inform the IDT staff of any member circumstance that would warrant family or physician notification including the following:
  - Changes in:
    - Condition (medical, behavioral, mental)
    - Medications, treatments, or Physician order
  - Incidents of:
    - Falls (with or without injury)
    - Urgent Care, Emergency Room or Hospitalization
    - Death: anticipated or unexpected
    - Any other circumstances warranting the completion of a facility incident or event report
    - Elopement
    - Unplanned use of restrictive measures
- 2. Communication/Coordination AFH providers will collaborate with IDT staff regarding:
  - Initial and 6-month ISP meetings
  - Medical and other appointments, or need for specialist or ancillary service provider
  - Medical Equipment or Supplies
  - Transition difficulty, potential termination
- AFH Providers will report to the Network Relations Team any significant changes including but not limited to the following:
  - Plans to relocate to a new home
  - Change in the number of household members either moving into or out of the home.
  - Change in employment or financial status of all household family members
  - Change in legal status of all household family members
  - Substantial change in health status of all household family members.
- 4. Owner-occupied AFH Sponsors will follow the Respite Worker Procedure for any paid or unpaid person who provides care to LCI members in the absence of the AFH Sponsor. This includes completing the following:
  - Respite Worker Checklist
  - Respite Worker Expectations and Quality of Care
  - Submitting the Background Information Disclosure Forms to LCI for all Respite Workers for approval

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- Completing the Respite Worker Home Checklist when the LCI member will be staying in the Respite Worker's home that is not an AFH certified by LCI
- Providing training to all Respite Workers about the care needs of the LCI members living in the AFH
- 5. As a paid caregiver, AFH Sponsors receive a daily rate based upon the member's needs. Reimbursement toward respite care is included in the daily rate for owner-occupied AFHs. AFH sponsors are responsible to pay their own Respite Workers, who are recruited and trained by the AFH Sponsor. The AFH Sponsors must report to LCI IDT when respite care workers are being utilized.

# **Documentation**

Providers shall comply with documentation as required by this agreement; and if applicable, state licensure and certification requirements as expressed by ordinance, state and federal rules and regulations applicable to the services covered by this contract. Provider maintains and submits to the LCI IDT staff the following service related documentation:

- 1. A copy of all incident reports within 3 days of incident.
- 2. A copy of Member Health Screening & Medication Authorization form and if applicable, medical service notes within one week of service.
- 3. Monthly Summary for each LCI member
- 4. Maintain the following documents in the LCI Member Binder:
  - a. Member Information Sheet:
  - b. Admission and Rate Agreement;
  - c. Medication Log, if the AFH sponsor administers medications;
  - d. Copy of LCI Member Health Screening & Medication Authorization form;
  - e. Authorization to Control Emergency Medical Treatment;
  - f. AFH ISP:
  - g. Monthly Financial Ledger when authorized on the Annual Admissions and Rate Agreement:
    - i. Per Wisconsin Medicaid Waiver Standards for Certified 1-2 Bed Adult Family Homes Article XI, section C, the Adult Family Home Sponsor cannot manage more than \$200 of the member's money at any one time. If the balance reaches the \$200 limit the Sponsor must contact the member's Legal Representative or Rep. Payee and IDT staff. The Sponsor is responsible to keep a Financial Ledger for review of the cash flow and current balance. The Member's personal allowance must be kept separate from the finances of the Adult Family Home Sponsor.
    - ii. AFH Sponsor should attach all receipts to the Monthly Financial Ledger.
    - iii. AFH Sponsor should submit to LCI monthly a copy of the Monthly Financial Ledger. If requested from the LCI members' guardian, the AFH Sponsor should provide a copy of the Monthly Financial Ledger.
  - h. The AFH shall keep the member's funds separate from those of the AFH sponsor family and any other AFH resident.
  - i. Medication Logs required when Authorization to Control Medications by the AFH Sponsor is ordered by physician;
  - j. Copy of all Medical Service Notes and/or Visit Overview from physician's office:

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- k. Additional documents as determined necessary to assess the provision of appropriate services to the LCI Member.
- 5. Maintain the following documents in the LCI Sponsor Binder:
  - a. Fire Evacuation Drill & Smoke/CO2 Log
  - b. Training Log
  - c. Program Statement
  - d. Respite Worker information

#### **Out-of-Managed Care Organization Placement Agreements**

AFH Providers must notify LCI of any potential resident considering placement in the AFH. When the potential resident is from another county or managed care organization, there must be a placement agreement signed by the referring agency and LCI *prior* to the potential resident moving into the AFH.

#### **Billable Units**

Provider rates for provision of services will incorporate all administrative and business functions related to the provision of service. Contracted rates include the provision of administrative functions necessary for services and are not billable beyond units provided to each authorized member.

Providers should reference the Rates and Service Codes chart of the agreement for contract units and rates.

Providers should use increments as listed in the Rates and Service Codes Chart to bill LCI up to the authorized number of units for the member. Providers can only bill for services rendered to the member. Provider will refund LCI the total amount of any/all units billed without services rendered to the LCI member.

Providers are required to provide for all identified care needs during the provision of services and are specifically prohibited from billing fraudulently for additional services during the provision of these services.

Family Care services administered by LCI are funded by state and federal tax dollars though the Medical Assistance program. As a publicly-funded system, LCI strives to maintain the integrity of the program by ensuring that all services are billed as authorized by LCI, and as rendered to members. LCI ensures this protection, by regularly conducting random reviews of claims submitted by its contracted providers. LCI reserves the right to request verification documentation from providers. This could include but is not limited to: providers' case notes, files, documentation and records.

#### **Additional Considerations:**

- Services will be provided as identified and authorized by the LCI IDT staff.
- Providers may not limit or deny any LCI member services due to dissatisfaction with their LCI contracted rate.
- LCI pre-authorizes all of its services. If provider bills for more units than authorized without prior authorization, these services may be denied.

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- In the case that a LCI member cancels service, the provider must contact the LCI IDT staff. Services cancelled will not necessarily be rescheduled and should not be assumed by the provider.
- Provider can bill LCI for any day that they provide a service to the member, even if the member does not sleep in the facility that night.
- Provider cannot bill LCI for the following circumstances:
  - When a member is discharged from the setting at the provider's request
  - o A member elects to move to a different setting
  - A member goes on vacation
  - A member attends a camp
  - A member dis-enrolls from LCI
  - The death of member

# **Bed Hold Policy:**

- The LCI/Provider contract with residential providers allows for payment of up to 14 days
  of a member's room and board to hold a member's bed. This payment is to ensure the
  availability of the member's primary residence after their temporary absence. Payments
  are for the explicit purpose of holding the bed for the absent member who is anticipated
  to return to the facility.
- Bed hold payments will not be made if the member is not expected to return to the
  facility. Examples of situations when a bed hold payment would not be warranted include
  when a member is discharged from the setting at the provider's request, a member
  elects to move to a different facility, a member disenrolls, or the member dies.
- Bed hold charges will be paid per the LCI Provider services contract only when there is agreement on the part of LCI and the provider that the member is expected to return to their current room.
- Bed hold days will begin on the first day following the day the member last slept in the original facility. For example, the member last slept at the original facility on Sunday night, November 14<sup>th</sup>. The Bed Hold would begin for that member on Monday, November 15<sup>th</sup>.
- If a request for bed hold payment exceeds 14 days, the following criteria will be followed:
  - In cases where the LCI's Provider Specialist, IDT staff, IDT staff Supervisor and the provider concur that a continued bed hold is the only practical means to ensure the member's long-term care outcome, a bed hold payment beyond 14 days may be negotiated.

NOTE: If provider is a HUD/WHEDA home that receives only board from LCI, LCI will not pay for board while the member is out of the facility.

#### Rates (Corporate Adult Family Home Only)

Residential rates will be for a period of not less than one year, unless there is mutual agreement to a shorter term. Residential services subcontracts or amendments shall specify a contracted rate; include a fee schedule or reference to an acuity-based rate setting model.

Providers are expected to negotiate daily care rates based upon the amount of time the member spends outside the facility (i.e. home all day, gone half day, gone all day). Rate models may be changed:

1. Anytime, through mutual agreement of the MCO and provider.

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- 2. When a member's change in condition warrants a change in the acuity-based rate setting model.
- 3. When a rate has been in effect for at least twelve (12) months, and a change is proposed for an individual member or facility:
  - a. The MCO must provide a sixty-day written notice to the provider prior to implementation of the new rate.
  - b. The rate change may apply to the entire contract or to specific rates within the contract, but only on a prospective basis.
  - c. Rates which are reduced using sub. 3. are protected from additional decreases during the subsequent twelve (12) month period.
  - d. When changes occur when members or residents move in or out of an AFH, the rate will be effective the date of the move.

# Rates (Owner Occupied Adult Family Homes)

Contracted daily rates for owner occupied Adult Family Homes are based upon each individual member's needs as assessed and measured by LCI.

## **Scope of Services**

A contract for community residential services with LCI incorporates the services and supports listed below. This list is not all encompassing, but a listing of general categories and examples of costs typically incurred in each category. Community substitute care settings include the following items and supports:

# Physical Environment (Room and Board reimbursement)

- 1. Physical Space sleeping accommodations in compliance with facility regulations including, access to all areas of facility and grounds.
- 2. Furnishing all common area furnishings and bedroom furnishings including all of the following: bed, mattress with pad, pillows, bedspreads, blankets, sheets, pillowcases, towels and washcloths, window coverings, floor coverings.
- 3. Equipment All equipment that becomes a permanent part of the facility (Examples: all lifts, grab bars, ramps and other accessibility modifications, alarms, pull-stations and/or call lights). Equipment such as fall alarms, bed alarms, Hoyer lifts, Sit-to-Stand lifts (which are to be purchased by the provider and remain the property of the provider). Exceptions may be made for lifts and alarms for owner occupied Adult Family Homes per the discretion of the IDT staff through the RAD process.
- 4. Housekeeping services including laundry services, household cleaning supplies, and bathroom toilet paper and paper towels.
- 5. Building Maintenance including interior and exterior structure integrity and upkeep, pest control, and garbage and refuse disposal
- 6. Grounds Maintenance including lawn, shrub, and plant maintenance, snow and ice removal.
- 7. Building Protective Equipment carpet pads, wall protectors, baseboard protectors, etc.
- 8. Building Support Systems including heating, cooling, air purifier, water and electrical systems installation, maintenance and utilization costs.
- 9. Fire and Safety Systems including installation, inspection and maintenance costs.

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- 10. Food 3 meals plus snacks, including any special dietary accommodations, supplements, thickeners and consideration for individual preferences, cultural or religious customs of the individual resident.
  - a. Enteral feedings (tube feedings) are excluded from this requirement, and are the responsibility of LCI. Providers cannot accept payment for board when members are receiving all nutrition via enteral feedings (tube feedings).
- 11. Telephone and Media Access access to make and receive calls and acquisition of information and news (e.g. television, newspaper, internet)

# Program Services Program (Care and Supervision reimbursement)

- 1. Supervision adequate qualified staff to meet the scheduled and unscheduled needs of members.
- 2. Personal Care, Assistance with Activities of Daily Living and Daily Living Skills Training.
- 3. Activities, Socialization and Access to Community Activities including facility leisure activities, Community activities information and assistance with accessing, and assistance with socialization with family and other social contacts. Members' preferences shall be taken into consideration.
- 4. Health Monitoring including coordination of medical appointments and accompanying members to medical service when necessary.
- 5. Medication Management including managing or administering medications and the cost associated with delivery, storage, packaging, documenting and regimen review. (The cost of bubble packaging, pre drawn syringes, etc. costs are part of MA and/or Medicare Part D benefit and not billable to members or cost that can be incurred by other funding sources).
- 6. Behavior Management, including participation with the MCO in the development and implementation of Behavioral Treatment Plans and Behavioral Intervention Plans.
- 7. Facility Supplies and Equipment first aid supplies, gauze pads, blood pressure cuffs, stethoscopes, thermometers, cotton balls, medication and specimen cups, gait belts, etc.
- 8. Personal Protective Equipment for staff use including gloves, gowns, masks, etc.
- OSHA and Infection Control Systems including hazardous material bags, sharps disposal containers, disposable and/or reusable wash cloths, wipes, bed pads, air quality - free of unpleasant odors and second hand smoke etc.
- 10. Transportation whether coordinated or provided directly transportation is typically included in the scope of residential services.
- 11. Resident Funds Management assistance with personal spending funds, not including representative payee services.

The following costs are *not typically provided* by a facility and are costs incurred by the individual member or the MCO:

- Medication and Medical Care Co-payments.
- Personal Hygiene Supplies- including toothpaste, shampoo, soap, feminine care products.
- Member Clothing- shirts, pants, underclothes, socks, shoes, coats.
- Costs associated with community recreational activities- event fees, movie tickets, other recreational activities of the member's individual choosing.

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#### **Additional Contract Expectations**

- Corporate AFH providers who do not provide transportation as a provision of their daily rate for medical, social/community, and/or vocational/day programming activities need to identify this gap in service to the LCI Network Relations Team. AFH daily rates negotiated with LCI will reflect whether or not transportation is provided as part of the daily rate.
- Owner occupied Adult Family Homes are expected to provide social and medical transportation as a provision of their daily rate contracted with LCI. Vocational/day service transportation is paid and authorized by LCI for members residing in owner occupied Adult Family Homes unless otherwise indicated in the rates and service codes chart of the LCI Service Provider Contract.
- AFH providers are responsible to notify the IDT staff when a member is temporarily absent from the facility.
- Corporate AFH providers are not eligible to receive respite care services for the residents residing in their facilities. Respite for owner occupied Adult Family Homes is included in the daily rate contracted with LCI.
- Visits that a member may make to the residential facility when considering a move, overnight or partial day, are not considered respite and are therefore not billable to LCI.
- Provider may terminate service to a member after issuing to the appropriate parties
   (including the member/legal representative and LCI) a 30-day written notice. The
   provider shall collaborate with the member/guardian, IDT staff and potential provider(s)
   in order to ensure a smooth transition for the member, providing service until a new
   placement is secured. Notice is not required due to death of a resident, or when an
   emergency termination is necessary to prevent harm to the health and safety of the
   member or other household individuals.

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