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To: Mi Via Participants, Providers/Vendors and Employer of Record

From: Evangeline Yanez, Community Program Bureau Chief Changeline Ganez

Re: Individual Budget Allotment (IBA) Increase Rollout, Additional Funding Update and Gross Receipt Tax (GRT) Update

Date: July 1, 2024

Over the last few years some Mi Via rates have been increased without increasing the IBA. To prevent participants from having less money available to use for services because of higher rates, we allowed Additional Funding to be used as a temporary measure to prevent hardships. We are now ready to roll out the increased IBA amounts and resume the Additional Funding criteria as outlined in our service standards. Effective July 1,2024 the increased IBA amounts are in effect for all Mi Via participants.

Budget Levels	Current	NEW effective July 1 st , 2024
0-17	\$23,443	\$24,690.17
18-20	\$54,589	\$57,493.13
18-20 with IHLS	\$68,589	\$80,468.61
>21	\$71,710	\$84,130.17

Here's what you need to know.

- The FOCOS Online system has been programmed with the increased IBA amounts to be effective July 1, 2024.
- Nothing needs to be done by the participant, Employer of Record or consultant to access the increased IBA.
- If rates are re-negotiated by participants and/or employer of records, the usual process must be followed and any vendor or employee agreements in place will need to be updated and submitted to the Conduent.



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- Any Service and Support Plan (SSP) submissions from July 1st forward will utilize the new increased IBA amount.
- Any Additional Funding requests beginning July 1, 2024, will need to meet criteria outlined in the Mi Via Waiver Services Standards section 8 pages 43 and 44 and per New Mexico Administrative Code 8.314.6.17.E, which states "The SSP may be modified based upon a change in the participant's needs or circumstances, such as a change in the participant's health status or condition or a change in the participant's support system, such as the death or disabling condition of a family member or other individual who was providing services."
 - The TPA has been instructed to review any AF year 7 requests that were put on hold prior to July 1st, 2024, and approve them with the appropriate supporting documentation.

Now that we are approaching July, we wanted to give you an update on the allowance for billing the Gross Receipt Tax (GRT) outside of the IBA.

- Health Care Authority's Medical Assistance Division (MAD) is collaborating with Conduent to make programming changes and ensure capacity for increased high volume of revisions. This will determine the go live date.
- MAD and DDSD will coordinate and establish an implementation plan and communicate rollout instructions and timelines to providers and vendors.
- We still anticipate rollout later this summer.

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