



COLORADO

Department of Health Care
Policy & Financing

Dear Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Provider,

This notice is to inform of an opportunity to provide additional needed services to Health First Colorado (Colorado's Medicaid program) members.

Current Personal Care providers (Specialty 666) may enroll and provide Respite Services for the new Children with Complex Health Needs (CwCHN) waiver which launched July 1, 2025. Respite (Unskilled) CwCHN (Specialty 616) is now available as an enrollable service. The requirements for this service listed on the [Provider Specialty Code web page](#) are:

Required Certifications and/or Licenses:

- One of the following licenses issued by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment:
 - Home Care Agency Class A license
OR
 - Home Care Agency Class A or Class B license AND Personal Care/Homemaker Services certification from CDPHE (certification is not required to be attached to the application)
OR
 - Hospice license

Electronic Visit Verification (EVV) is required for some services billed under this specialty code and will be added automatically with an approved application for Health First Colorado. Visit the [EVV web page](#) for additional information.

Based on current provider qualifications, ***the provider requirements to provide this service have already been met.*** Submit a modification in the [Provider Web Portal](#) to add Respite (Unskilled) CwCHN 616 to an existing enrollment and attach existing license/certification to enroll as this specialty.

Refer to the [CwCHN, CHCBS, CHRP fee schedule](#) for more information on rates for these services.

Contact Corinna Barrack at Corinna.Barrack@state.co.us with any questions, including barriers to providing this service, or any topics for discussion.

Thank you,

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