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Dear Pediatric Behavioral Provider,

Thank you for joining the Pediatric Behavioral Therapy (PBT) rate discussion held December 15, 2022.

There is no process for an emergency rate increase; however, the Medicaid Provider Rate Review Advisory Committee (MPRRAC) will review the PBT rates in 2023.

The comments provided during the discussion will be documented as part of the analysis report. This information will be shared with the MPRRAC during a stakeholder meeting, and providers will be notified of the meeting in advance.

Visit the [MPRRAC web page](#) for more information.

Sincerely,

Department of Health Care Policy & Financing

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Dear Pediatric Behavioral Provider,

Participation is appreciated for all those who attended the Pediatric Behavioral Therapy (PBT) rate discussion held December 15, 2022.

The comments and proposals have been reviewed and considered. The rate process is set in regulation and a multitude of factors must be considered, including (but not limited to):

- regulatory compliance
- clinical standards and best practices
- access to care
- federal and state authority

- budgetary authority

Recommendations must be approved by the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (the Department), the Office of State Planning and Budget (OSPB), the Joint Budget Committee (JBC) and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS).

Access to care within the pediatric behavioral therapy benefit is a high priority. The rates team will take all comments and begin an off-schedule review. That review is anticipated to take place by mid-January. This review does not guarantee immediate rate changes will take place. However, this rate review will inform of any action taken by the Department to address concerns.

Thank you for your participation and your dedication to our members. Additional communication is anticipated to be sent by the end of January 2023.

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Department of Health Care Policy & Financing

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Dear Providers,

There will be a Zoom meeting for Pediatric Behavioral Therapy Rates Discussion for Contracted Health First Colorado Providers.

When: Dec 15, 2022, 3:30 PM Mountain Time (US and Canada)

[Register in advance for this meeting.](#)

An email containing registration confirmation and information about joining the meeting will be sent after registering.

Sincerely,

Department of Health Care Policy & Financing