

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to 42 C.F.R. § 447.205, the Georgia Department of Community Health is required to give public notice of any significant proposed change in its methods and standards for setting payment rates for services.

INCREASE REIMBURSEMENT RATES FOR AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDER (ASD) THERAPY STATE PLAN AMENDMENT (SPA)

Pursuant to House Bill 68 passed in the 2025 legislative session and pending approval by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS), the Department of Community Health seeks to submit a Medicaid to increase rates in the ASD Services section of the Medicaid State Plan by three percent (3%). The three percent rate increase would be applied to all existing ASD Service codes currently offered in the Medicaid and PeachCare for Kids Programs.

The cost impact is as follows:

	State Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds
SFY 2026	\$5,405,117	\$10,638,567	\$16,043,684

This public notice is available for review at each county Division of Family and Children Services office. An opportunity for public comment will be held on **May 27, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., via Zoom audio**. There will be **no in-person** attendance at the Department of Community Health (DCH).

Individuals who are disabled and need assistance to participate during this meeting should call (404) 656-4479 at least three (3) business days before the scheduled public hearing to ensure any necessary accommodations can be provided.

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Individuals wishing to comment in writing on any of the proposed changes should do so on or before **June 3, 2025**, to Danisha Williams c/o the Board of Community Health, Post Office Box 1966, Atlanta, Georgia 30301-1966. You may also email comments to Danisha Williams, danwilliams@dch.ga.gov or fax to 404-651-6880.

Comments submitted will be available for review by submitting a request via email to openrecordsrequest@dch.ga.gov. *Please note that any comments submitted are subject to open records.*

If the proposed changes are presented to the Board for final action, relevant comments from written and public testimony will be provided to the Board. The Board expects to vote on the proposed changes at the Board meeting to be held on **June 12, 2025**, at 10:30 a.m. at the Department of Community Health unless withdrawn or withheld by the Department for further review.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THIS 19th DAY OF May 2025
Russel Carlson, Commissioner