

REGULARISATION HCHA UPDATE 24 FEB 2017

There are 5 categories of implementation funding	
1. Attendance at employee workshops	• \$75 per eligible employee
2. Cancelled visits	• Paid on actuals – 48 hours notice period and specified reasons
3. Ongoing reduction in hours	 Paid on actuals – 3 weeks funding to support providers to consult with staff and give notice for ongoing reduction in hours
4. "Top up" costs for unfilled guaranteed hours	• To support providers as they transition the workforce to guaranteed hours
5. System change costs	• Contribution for one-off system and change costs



Funding (as at 20.2.17) (DHB/MoH)

- \$75 per qualifying employee (unclear)
- One off Implementation funding 1 April-30 June (total \$1m)
- Implementation funding proportionate per provider in quarterly payments over quarters dropping down to \$0 end June 2018 (inc disadvantage funding. Total 8.3m)



Funding

- Claiming for client cancellations with under 48 hours notice -\$19.61 rate, all reasons identified in pilot
- Sclaiming for travel time (*) on client cancellations
- \$ Claiming for payment of guaranteed hours as a result of reduction of hours one weeks consultation + two weeks notice (possibly \$19.61 yet to be advised)
- No disadvantage clause, actual and reasonable costs (total approx \$1.5m)



Reasons for cancellation

- □ Client in respite
- Client death
- Extreme weather
- Client moves away

- □ Client in hospital
- Client requests change (day/time)
- Client entitlement ceases
- Client complexity changes
- Client requests change of provider or support worker

Un-replaced cancelled visits (from MoH presentation)

- Providers will claim for actual cancellations through the IBT system.
- Actuals are based on the following conditions:
 - 48 hours notice period
 - Reasons as outlined in Operational Policy Document.
- Some minor changes are required to the IBT system.
- The Ministry will work with a technical reference group to design the changes.
- The Ministry's technical team is available to support changes required.
- The process to claim will be provided in a future newsletter in March.

Consultation and notice period for ongoing reduction in hours (from MoH presentation)

- 3 week consultation/notice period funded when an ongoing reduction in guaranteed hours arises (i.e an inability to replace hours . for example a hospitalised client).
- Providers will claim for actual consultation and notice periods through the IBT system.
- Actuals are to be based on the conditions set by the Ministry in Operational Policy Document.
- The Operational Policy Document will be published on the Ministry's website in early March.

"Top up" costs for unfilled guaranteed hours (from MoH presentation)

- e.g. unfilled hours due to excess staff capacity
- A fixed quarterly payment will be made directly to providers

One-off system and change costs (from MoH presentation)

- One-off payment.
- Paid direct from Ministry to providers.

No disadvantage clause commitment in 2nd Variation of IBT Settlement (from MoH presentation)

- In recognition that costs to implement guaranteed hours will be funded on a combination of actuals and estimates, the arrangements will be reviewed in October 2017.
- The Ministry is developing the Terms of Reference for the review.
- Providers can submit claims under the no disadvantage clause based evidence of actual and reasonable increases in costs.



Training and pay

The costs with training and pay to reflect training are factored into pending Pay Equity Settlement. If that fails, funding will be sought from 1 July 2017.



Not included

Rest Breaks

Coordination and administration costs

Provider margin

Overheads on cancelled visits and reduction of hours

Sector sustainability



Compliance

Operational Policy Guidance requiring implementation by providers, principles

Operational policy framework for funders (*)



Monitoring/review

Review completed by October 2017

July-Sept providers collect and submit data monthly: possible: employment type, g-hours, changes to ghours, average base wage rate, payroll extracts, monthly revenue, claims for reduction in hours, commentary on reasons, unreplaced cancelled shifts, commentary on efforts to minimise unfilled g-hours



Models of care

Work has started by MoH to look at models of care, planned completion, report to Cabinet by August 2017.



Other ACC Pay Equity



Many questions

How to calculate hours (leave, travel etc) Calculation of travel time (inc. exceptional) Training 1 April – 30 June 2017 Ongoing funding post 1 July 2018



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