



Critical provider rate increases approved thanks to bi-partisan support

“DSPN members and our caregivers serving individuals with disabilities are truly appreciative of Governor Evers and the Joint Finance Committee for their continued support of our long-term care workforce. With the approval of a 5% rate increase to providers, we can begin to address years of inadequate reimbursement. With the workforce shortage beyond a tipping point, we will continue to advocate for more ARPA funds to be invested in our workforce needs to maintain the highest quality of services.”

- Lisa Davidson, CEO

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WISCONSIN STATE CAPITOL... The Disability Service Provider Network (DSPN) praises the actions by the Governor, and Joint Committee on Finance to invest resources in long-term care providers. This investment of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds for a 5% rate increase effective January 1, 2022, is one component of the rate reform initiative underway at the Department of Health Services.

This step builds on previous investments and will allow providers to begin to be more competitive as employers across Wisconsin. Currently, retention and recruitment of staff providing the full array of services to people with disabilities has never been more critical. DSPN will continue to work with all stakeholders involved in long-term care service delivery to elevate this profession and recognize and reward the dedicated staff serving our most vulnerable.

About the Disability Service Provider Network

Every person deserves a place in their community and the opportunity to live a full, meaningful life. Our DSPN members help make this possible by providing residential and non-residential services that enable people with disabilities and economic disadvantages to live and work in their local communities. DSPN is the leading state trade association for disability service providers and exists to support and be a resource for member providers through advocacy and education resources so they can provide the highest quality and full array of services for those with disabilities throughout Wisconsin.

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