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Issues of **Clinical Services Program Alert** often refer to several different UCare forms. Please note that *all* UCare care coordination forms are on the [UCare website](#) under the Care Managers tab.

Direct your **UCare** questions to your Clinical Care Coordination questions to Clinical Liaison. You can send your care coordination-related questions to our Clinical Liaison mailbox: clinicallyliaison@ucare.org or by phone: 612-294-5045 or 1-866-613-1395 toll free.



DHS Bulletin #19-25-01: Service rate changes for certain long-term services and supports: effective July 1st, 2019

The Minnesota Legislature authorized the following for services on or after July 1, 2019:

- 3.69 percent rate increase for home-delivered meals (S5170) for Alternative Care (AC), Elderly Waiver (EW) and Essential Community Supports (ECS)
- 2.37 percent increase for Personal Care Attendant (PCA), Consumer Directed Community Supports (CDCS), and Consumer Support Grant (CSG)
- EW and AC monthly case-mix budget caps will increase in conjunction with PCA and home delivered meal rate increases. CDCS monthly case-mix budget caps will increase in conjunction with these service rate increases and the budget increased authorized by the 2019 Minnesota Legislature.

For more information see- [Bulletin #19-25-01](#)-Service rate changes for certain long-term services and supports

Care Coordinators should identify members and take the following actions:

- **Do not** send in a new Waiver Service Approval Form with the new CDCS, PCA, or Home Delivered Meal rates. UCare will adjust the new approved rates to EW services and new authorizations will be sent to providers
- **Account** for the new rates in the member's EW budget.
 - If the member is now over budget due to the rate increase, please complete a "Request to Exceed Case Mix Cap" form located on the Care Manager's page of the [UCare website](#) in the "Forms" drawer.

**UCare will be identifying members who are receiving CDCS services and reaching out individually to the affected delegates. **

Please reach out with any questions.

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