

# Action Request Transmittal Office of Child Welfare Programs



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**Topic:** Change in Processing Payments for the 99244 Procedure Code

**Applies to (check all that apply):**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> All DHS employees                     | <input type="checkbox"/> County Mental Health Directors                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Area Agencies on Aging: {Select type} | <input type="checkbox"/> Health Services   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aging and People with Disabilities    | <input type="checkbox"/> Office of Developmental<br>Disabilities Services (ODDS) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Self Sufficiency Programs             | <input type="checkbox"/> ODDS Children's Intensive In<br>Home Services           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> County DD program managers            | <input type="checkbox"/> Stabilization and Crisis Unit (SACU)                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Support Service Brokerage Directors   | <input type="checkbox"/> Other ( <i>please specify</i> ):                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ODDS Children's Residential Services  |  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Child Welfare Programs     |  |

**Action Required:**

Effective immediately, the 99244 procedure code will be payable on a 729 form. The 99244 code is an office consultation code and pays at a flat rate. The current rate for 99244 is \$128.88.

If the 99244 code needs to be paid on a 501A, for any reason, the same rate and limitations will apply. No exceptions.

Going forward, code 99244 will not be paid as an hourly rate for any reason.

Providers who need to bill for case record review will bill the 90885 code. The current rate is 35.34 per 30 minutes (70.68 per hour) with a six-unit (three hour) maximum. The first hour of case record review is included in the 90791 code.

When requested with 90791 or 90792, the 90885 code can be used for time spent reviewing client medical records beyond the 1 hour included in 90791 or 90792, and not to exceed 3 hours.

Child Welfare is making this change because the 99244 code is now available to bill on a 729. Child Welfare needs to follow the limitations set by Medicaid when using this and all other procedure codes.

If a provider has questions, please refer them to the OHA fee schedule:

<https://www.oregon.gov/oha/HSD/OHP/Tools/Administrative%20Exam%20Fee%20Schedule.pdf>

**Reason for Action:** Medicaid restrictions on code.

*If you have any questions about this action request, please contact:*

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